



The Galley Hill Times

Friday 14th June

Monday	17 th June	9.30am-12.30pm	Y4 DSSN Games at Laureate Academy
Friday	21 st June	All Day	School Closed – Occasional Day
Tuesday	25 th June	9am	Y1 Jade Sharing assembly
Tuesday	25 th June	12pm-3pm	Y2 Olympic Festival at Hemel Sports Centre
Wednesday	26 th June	All day	Y1 Trip Southend
Friday	28 th June	AM	Y4 Volcano/Earthquake virtual workshop
Friday	28 th June	PM	FROGs Summer Fun Day
Tuesday	2 nd July	All Day	Y6 Food and Farming Trip
Tuesday	2 nd July	9am-9.15am	Reception Garnet Sharing Assembly
Wednesday	3 rd July		Sports Day – KS1 & KS2 9.15am-11.45am Nursery/Reception – 1.15pm-2.15pm

Message from Mrs Birch

This week, our children in Year 1 have been working incredibly hard on their phonics screener to see how many of the phonemes they can now read. Children in Early Years and Key Stage One have a daily phonics lesson, following our scheme Super Sonic Phonic Friends. These building blocks prepare the children for life as readers and being able to spell so it is an essential life skill. Being able to read fluently unlocks the rest of the curriculum for the children. We appreciate all the parents who support this at home by ensuring that they read with their child at least four times a week. Thank you!

Sports Day

Just a reminder that our Sports Day this year will take place on Wednesday 3rd July and we hope many of you will be able to join us. We are slightly altering the groupings this year in order to make the event less overwhelming for our youngest children. This year, children in Key Stages 1 and 2 (Years 1 to 6) will all do Sports Day together starting at 9:15am. We anticipate that this event will be finished by 11:45am. In the afternoon, we will have a separate, smaller scale event for children in Early Years (Nursery and Reception). This event will take place at 1:15pm and will last no more than an hour. Children who are staying for Nursery lunch club can also stay the additional time to participate in the event. We

encourage the parents of other morning Nursery children to bring them back at 1:15pm so that they can also participate.

On the day, the children will all need to wear their usual P.E. shorts or jogging bottoms and trainers. They should please have a t-shirt in the colour of their house: Horowitz – blue, Rowling – green, Wilson – yellow, Dahl – red. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please speak to their class teacher.

Switcheroo Transition Day

This year our 'switcheroo' will take place on Thursday 11th July. This is the day that the children will find out which class they are in for the next academic year and will have the chance to meet their new teacher in their new classroom.

After school on this day (from 3:15pm), there will be an open classrooms event for parents. This will give your child the chance to take you to see their new classroom and to briefly say hello to their new teacher.

Swimming Pool

Many of you will recall that last year we had a 'pop up' swimming pool on our school playground. As you may already know, we have the swimming pool booked once again and set up will begin on Monday (17th June). As with last year, we please ask that you do not allow your children to touch / go near the marquee housing the pool before or after school or to walk between the marquee and the school building. Many thanks for your support with this.

Parking

Despite several polite requests from ourselves, additional zig zag lines and the occasional visit from a traffic warden, we are very disappointed that we continue to get complaints about unsafe parking from parents, particularly on Pudding Lane. The safety of all of our children and other pedestrians and road users is absolutely vital and we request once again that parents park further away from the school (such as by the cricket pavilion) and walk the final distance, rather than park unsafely close to the school. Many thanks to all of the parents who always are considerate to others when deciding where to park their vehicle.

School Crossing Patrol

With the on-going absence of Mrs Russell, who we miss dearly, we have been informed that next week there will be no school crossing patrol person on Gadebridge Road. Please take extra care when crossing the road and if you have older children, who walk alone, please speak to them about crossing safely before they leave each morning.

P.E. Kits in September

As many of you will be starting to think about ordering / buying new uniform for the next school year, we wanted to inform you of a change we are going to be trialling from September. We are going to be following the model of many other schools and request that children come to school 'P.E. ready' (wearing their P.E. kits) on their P.E. days. This will apply for children from Years 1 to 6. Children in Early Years will need to continue to bring their P.E. kit with them and change in school because being able to change independently is an important aspect of the Early Years curriculum.

With this change, the children will come in their school uniforms for three days a week and will wear their P.E. kits on the other two days. You will be informed of the days the children need to come wearing their P.E. kits at the beginning of the school year. P.E. kits consist of a blue (plain or with the school logo only) t-shirt, dark blue or black shorts and black trainers or plimsolls. The children are allowed to wear a black or navy tracksuit but these should be plain. We do not expect to see children to be wearing branded sportswear or clothing that is not school P.E. kit.



Well done to these children who have all been selected for Well Done Wednesday to come and have milkshake and cookies with Mrs Birch.

Amber: *Skylar O-T*

Garnet: *Holly D*

Turquoise: *Miley C*

Crystal: *Bailey C*

Jade: *Kiara C*

Pearl: *Layker W*

Diamond: *Hallie R*



Well done *Fox C* in 3 Emerald who has been moved up to Stage 4 in swimming, and he has been made Lodge Leader and awarded his Chief Scout Bronze award at Beavers. What a great week you have had Fox, fantastic achievements!

Pippa B in 1 Crystal performed at the World Cheerleading Summer games in Guildford last weekend with her team Strawberries, and her sister *Maddie B* in 4 Opal competed with her team Little Rebels who came 3rd place and hit zero (competed with no errors!) Brilliant work both of you, well done!

If your child has anything from outside of school that you would like to share then please email the details over to admin@galleyhill.herts.sch.uk and we can include them on the next Newsletter.

Notice Board

FROGs News

We are still in need of some Teddy donations ready for our rehoming event at the Summer Fun Day. If you have any teddies that you would like to donate then please do drop them off at the office.

Dressing up clothes – donations please!

The children love dressing up on their lunch breaks and we only have a limited selection of dressing up clothes. If you have any spare dressing up clothes that your child has grown out of or no longer uses then we would love some donations to add to our lunchtime collection! These can be placed in the collection box outside of the office or you can drop them in to the office. Thank you in advance!

Trip/Event Consents

Please can we remind you that for all trips and activities that the children will be attending are available on Arbor. If the children are going off site for anything then we do require consent from the parents, and without it the children will not be allowed to attend. We do not want anyone to miss out but a great deal of time is spent chasing up parents when these consents have not been given. Please can we ask that you try and complete these consents as soon as you are notified of an event where possible. Thank you for your support with this.

EARLY YEARS STAR OF THE WEEK

Amber: Rosie J

Garnet: Jaxon C

Turquoise: Casper G

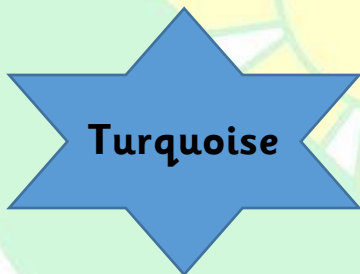
Star of
the
Week!

ATTENDANCE

Green is for classes with attendance above 95%, Amber for classes with 90-95% and Red for classes with attendance less than 90%.

	Red	Amber	Green
Quartz			96.7%
Nursery Amber		90%	
Reception Garnet		94.4%	
Reception Turquoise			98.7%
1 Jade		93.2%	
1 Crystal			98%
2 Diamond		92.7%	
2 Pearl		93%	
3 Ruby			96.9%
3 Emerald		94.6%	
4 Coral		91.7%	
4 Opal			96.2%
5 Onyx	86.9%		
5 Sapphire		91.1%	
6 Topaz	82.7%		
6 Amethyst	87.7%		

Well done to



for winning the attendance award this week!



IF YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR...	YOUR CHILD WOULD HAVE LOST APPROXIMATELY...	OR THEY WOULD HAVE MISSED APPROXIMATELY...
WAS 95%	9 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	50 LESSONS
WAS 90%	19 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	100 LESSONS
WAS 85%	29 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	150 LESSONS
WAS 80%	38 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	200 LESSONS
WAS 75%	48 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	250 LESSONS

PLEASE ENCOURAGE PUNCTUALITY TO MAINTAIN SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD DOESN'T MISS OUT

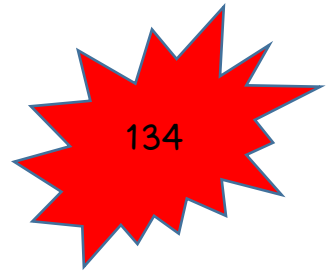
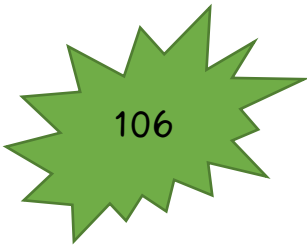
HOUSEPOINTS

Rowling

Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



AND THE
WINNER
IS.....

Horowitz!

