



# The Galley Hill Times

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

Monday-Friday	<b>13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May</b>		<b>Y6 SATS week</b>
Friday	<b>17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	All Day	<b>Mental Health Awareness Week – Wear something Green</b>
Tuesday	<b>21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	9am	<b>Reception Turquoise Sharing Assembly</b>
Wednesday	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	All day	<b>Y3 Trip Gadebridge Park</b>
Thursday	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	All day	<b>Y5 Trip National Gallery</b>
Friday	<b>24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	All day	<b>School Closed – occasional day</b>
Monday	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	8.40am	<b>Back to School</b>
Monday – Friday	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June – 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>		<b>Y4 Multiplication Checks</b>
Thursday	<b>6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	3.15pm-3.45pm	<b>Open Classrooms</b>
Tuesday	<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9am	<b>Year 2 Diamond Sharing assembly</b>
Tuesday	<b>25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9am	<b>Y1 Jade Sharing assembly</b>
Wednesday	<b>26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	All day	<b>Y1 Trip Southend</b>
Friday	<b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	AM	<b>Y4 Volcano/Earthquake virtual workshop</b>

## Message from Mrs Birch

Much goes on behind the scenes at Galley Hill to make it a happy and safe place for the children who learn here. As an example, this week, we had our five-year health and safety audit and the officer was very complimentary about the systems we have in place to keep our children safe. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Tizzard and our office staff for all of the hard work they put into this area of work.

## **Sharing Assembly**

Thanks also to Team Coral for the fantastic sharing assembly they presented this week. They really brought the curriculum to life and it was a pleasure to hear about their learning in all subjects.

Our next sharing assembly will be presented by Team Turquoise at 9am on Tuesday 21st May.

## Year 6 SATs

Next week, our Year 6 children will be sitting their Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) for the end of Key Stage Two. I know the children (and staff and parents!) have been working incredibly hard to prepare and revise for these tests in order to do as well as they possibly can. We are already very proud of them all and wish them the very best of luck. We know you will smash it!



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

Ruby: *Jack B*

Emerald: *Evan B*

Opal: *Ruby C*

Coral: *Isla C*

Sapphire: *Lucy M*

Onyx: *Emily H*

Topaz: *Edward B*

Amethyst: *Daria M*



Well done *Rory H* for training so hard and has now made it in to the Darts Academy. Great perseverance Rory, keep working hard at it!

*Georgie R* in 4 Opal has moved up to Stage 6 swimming. Great swimming Georgie, 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](mailto:admin@galleyhill.herts.sch.uk) and we can include them on the next Newsletter.

# Notice Board

## Attendance

We want to remind you about the importance of attendance. With summer approaching we know it may be tempting to book holidays during term time, however we can only authorise holidays in **exceptional circumstances**, and unauthorised holidays may lead to a fine. The DfE have made a number of changes to legislation and guidance related to school attendance that are due to come into force this August, including the number of unauthorised sessions

which would constitute a fine, as well as an increase in the amount. Further information on this will be sent out before the end of the school year.

Good attendance is essential for children to learn and retain new information, as well as develop social skills and friendships. Just a few days off school can have a big impact. We do understand that children get poorly and in some circumstances staying at home really is the best thing for them. With some illnesses however they can still come in to school, and we often find children improve once they are in. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the NHS guidance if you are unsure [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)



### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Mental Health Awareness Week – ‘Wear it green’**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May we will be supporting Mental Health Awareness Week by holding a ‘Wear it Green’ day. On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May the children are invited to **wear something green along with their usual school uniform**. This can be as simple as a hairband, pair of socks etc.

### **EARLY YEARS STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Amber: Amelia H**

**Garnet: Jayden C**

**Turquoise: Amelia-Rose O**

Star of  
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Week!

### **ATTENDANCE**

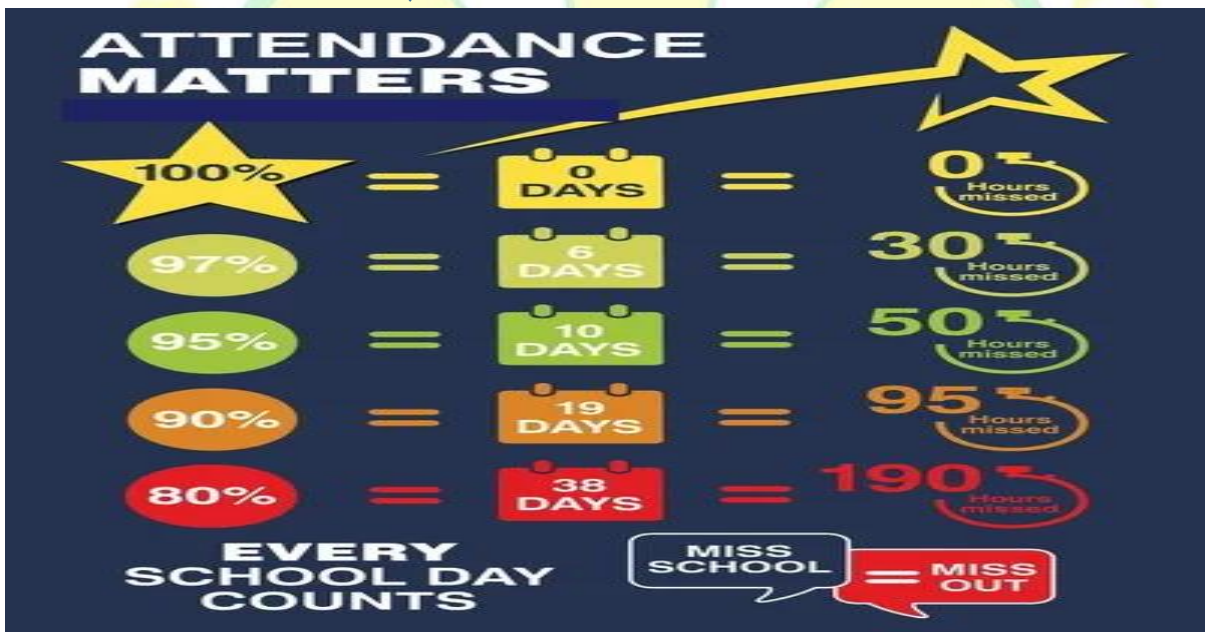
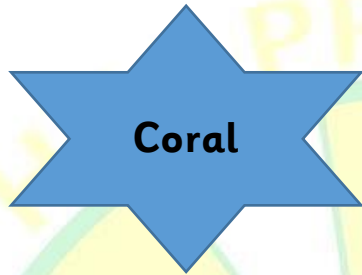
**Green** is for classes with attendance **above 95%**, **Amber** for classes with **90-95%** and **Red** for classes with attendance **less than 90%**.

	<b>Red</b>	<b>Amber</b>	<b>Green</b>
Quartz	75%		
Nursery Amber		91.3%	
Reception Garnet			96%
Reception Turquoise	89.1%		
1 Jade	83.8%		
1 Crystal		90.4%	
2 Diamond			96.1%
2 Pearl		90.8%	

3 Ruby		92%	
3 Emerald			96%
4 Coral			99.2%
4 Opal			98.3%
5 Onyx		94.8%	
5 Sapphire			98.3%
6 Topaz	87.1%		
6 Amethyst		93.3%	

Well done to

for winning the attendance award this week!



### HOUSEPOINTS

Rowling

Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



AND THE  
WINNER  
IS.....

**Wilson!**