



The Galley Hill Times

Friday 19th January 2024

Tuesday	23 rd January	9am-12pm	Year 3 Target Games Event at JFK
Friday	26 th January	All day	Year 4 St Albans Cathedral Trip
Tuesday	30 th January	9am-9.15am	2 Pearl Sharing Assembly
Thursday	1 st February	3.15pm	Open Classrooms
Monday	5 th February	9am-10.30am	Parent Workshop - Unlocking Children's potential
Tuesday	13 th February	9am-9.15am	6 Topaz Sharing Assembly

Message from Mrs Birch

This week, Team Opal presented their sharing assembly and it was a real joy to hear them talk about their learning. As I said to parents in attendance, it really showed me once again what a broad and balanced curriculum our children receive. As a staff team, we spend a long time designing our curriculum for all subjects to enable children to make good progress and be able to articulate what they have learnt. We support the children in identifying links between subject areas and between content they have learnt in different years. If you would like to find out more about our Galley Hill curriculum, please visit our school website: <https://www.galleyhill.herts.sch.uk/curriculum-1/>

Staff News

As I am sure many of your children will have already told you, Mrs Pritchett has returned from maternity leave. It has been a pleasure to welcome her back to the team after her time at home with baby Olivia. Mrs Pritchett is leading our work on the National Tutoring Project and covering some classes across the school.

Parent Workshop

You will have all received an email about the workshop we have been able to secure with Suzanne Stace from Unlocking Children's Potential. This is taking place on Monday 5th February at 9am as part of Children's Mental Health Week. We really feel this workshop will be fantastic in supporting parents in understanding their child's emotions and

supporting them. We do encourage as many of you as possible to sign up by contacting the school office.

Our children in year 4 are having the opportunity to work with Mrs Stace every Thursday afternoon and I know the children are really enjoying this work. More details about this can be found in the email about this workshop.

Mini Police

In another rather fantastic opportunity, our children in Year 5 are currently participating in a 'Mini Police' project, working with local PCSOs. It was very exciting to see them all last week in their high-vis jackets, hats and with warrant cards! The children will be presenting an assembly at the end of their project and we really look forward to learning from them.

Reading

Reading unlocks learning for all children. We work hard to encourage a love of reading. All children in Early Years and Key Stage One work systematically through our phonics programme 'Supersonic Phonic Friends'. We encourage parents to read with their children every day if at all possible.

We are always on the lookout for volunteers to come and hear children read at school and would welcome anyone interested to contact the school office. As part of our commitment to safeguarding, all volunteers need to undergo safeguarding checks including references and a DBS.



Wednesday!

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: Muhammad S Emerald: Emily N Opal: Georgie R

Coral: Samuel G Sapphire: Emily C Onyx: James T

Topaz: Sophia C Amethyst: Talayah E

CELEBRATE!

Well done *Sienna C* in 1 Crystal who was awarded Gymnast of the Week for her work on the bars at Gymnastics. Great work Sienna!

Grace D in 4 Opal has gained her Level 3 Vault award at gymnastics. Well done Grace, fantastic achievement.

Well done to *Ruby C* in 4 Opal who has moved up to Stage 8 in her swimming lessons. Amazing Ruby, great swimming!

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

Coaching Me - February Half Term



Multi-Sports & Activity Camps
9am - 4pm

£20 per day

Feb 19th – Feb 22nd

Galley Hill Primary School, Hemel Hempstead, HP1 3JY
www.coaching-me.kidsclubhq.co.uk/login



Hockey



Tennis



Dodgeball



Badminton



Kinball



Archery



Axe Throwing



Volleyball



Gymnastics



Netball



Cricket



Football

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Hemel Storm Basketball



Hemel Storm have their first home game of the new year against Loughborough Riders. It is a 7pm tip off at Hemel Sports Centre. Tickets can be purchased on the door or in advance at www.stormbasketball.net.

EARLY YEARS STAR OF THE WEEK

Star of
the
Week!

Amber: Billie B

Garnet: Magdalena L

Turquoise: Joshua B

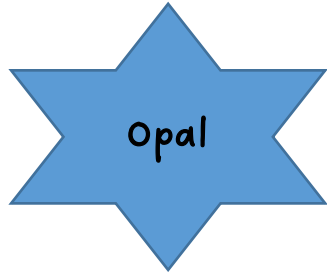
ATTENDANCE

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		93.3%	
Nursery Amber		92.3%	
Reception Garnet			95.7%
Reception Turquoise	89%		
1 Jade	89.3%		
1 Crystal		90.3%	
2 Diamond		93.8%	
2 Pearl		91.6%	
3 Ruby		93.3%	
3 Emerald		93.8%	
4 Coral			95.3%
4 Opal			98.7%
5 Onyx			97.3%
5 Sapphire			95.9%
6 Topaz			97%
6 Amethyst		93%	

Well done to

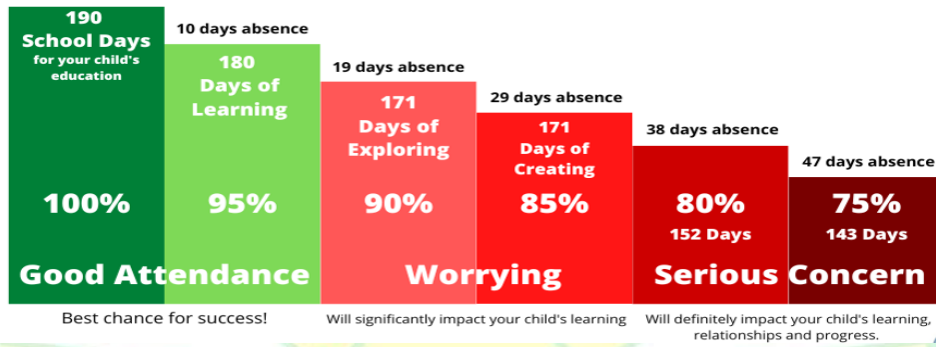
for winning the attendance award this week!



Every school day counts!

There are 175 NON school days every year!

Perfect for family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments!



HOUSEPOINTS - AUTUMN TERM WINNER

Rowling

Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



AND THE
WINNER
IS.....

Horowitz!

CHILD NURSERY