



The Galley Hill Times

Friday 8th December 2023

Tuesday	12 th December	2pm-2.45pm	Key Stage 1 Christmas performance dress rehearsal
Wednesday	13 th December	All day	Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday	13 th December	6pm-6.45pm	Key Stage 1 Christmas performance
Thursday	14 th December	6pm-6.45pm	Key Stage 1 Christmas performance
Friday	15 th December	11am-11.15am	Nursery Christmas Songs
Friday	15 th December	2.45pm-3pm	Nursery Christmas Songs
Monday	18 th December	All day	Year 2 Windsor Castle Trip
Tuesday	19 th December		Class Christmas Parties
Wednesday	20 th December		Quartz Class Christmas Party
Wednesday	20 th December	1.55pm KS1/2pm KS2	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Friday	5 th January 2024		Back to School

Message from Mrs Birch

It has been a very exciting week here at Galley Hill with the Rock Steady Concert on Monday, Key Stage Two Carol Services and our Reception Christmas Performances. It has been a delight to see so many children really shine and it makes us proud to see them 'Be their best' in these situations. Thank you to all parents who have supported these events. We hope that you have enjoyed them as much as we have.

Parking on Pudding Lane

We continue to be extremely concerned about some of the parking that occurs around the school site before and after school, particularly on Pudding Lane. Many parents are parking dangerously resulting in other cars having to mount the pavement to get past leading to children's lives being put at risk. Please allow extra time to park further away from the school (such as at the car park by the cricket pavilion) and walk your child from there.

Christmas Market

We would like to say an enormous THANK YOU to everyone involved in organising or attending our Christmas Market last Friday, particularly to Mrs Sproat and her FROGS team. Despite the cold, I am sure all will agree that it was a wonderful Christmassy event for the whole school community. We are now looking at purchasing some new benches for the playgrounds with money raised.

Christmas Jumper Day

Just a reminder that next Wednesday (13th December), we will be having a Christmas Jumper day to coincide with our school Christmas dinner. Children are welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper over their usual school uniform. In return, we ask for a donation of £1 for the Save the Children charity.

Staffing Update

Just to update you that Mr Tizzard, our Site Manager, will be absent from school for a period of time following an operation. We have appointed a temporary site manager, who has many years of experience, to cover some of his shifts and we are delighted to welcome Mr Noble to our team.



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: *Lara P*

Emerald: *Ayah M*

Opal: *Madison B*

Coral: *Maya B*

Sapphire: *Jonathan V*

Onyx: *Olivia C*

Topaz: *Charlie D*

Amethyst: *Ellie A*



Well done *Aylin A* in 1 Jade who has passed her stage 2 swimming. Great work Aylin!

Lara P in 3 Ruby has moved up in Gymnastics and has gained her Topaz rosette. Fantastic Lara, well done!

Well done *Frankie D* in 4 Coral who took part in a dance competition and came 1st for her Rock and Roll and 6th out of 51 for her Street Dance. Amazing achievement!

Ruby C in 4 Opal was awarded Boxer of the Week at her boxing class this week. Well done Ruby, brilliant work!

Well done *Daisy P* in 2 Pearl who has received her next swimming award, and also passed her Dance exam with Honours. Fantastic achievements Daisy!

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

Playtrail before and after school

Please can we ask that you do not let your child use the playtrail on the playground before or after school. At these times it is not monitored by a member of staff and we would hate for a child to get injured when there is not a first aid trained member of staff available. Thank you for your support with this.

Coats

The weather is turning increasingly cold and less predictable with wind and rain. Please do make sure that your child has a coat with them every day at school. Gilet's are not always a suitable alternative during these late Autumn/Winter months as they do not keep the whole of the child's body dry and warm.

LUNCH TIME TIDY UP CHAMPION

Miss Elsey will choose a Champion from Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for being super helpful with helping to tidy up the playground and outside area after lunch.

KS1 Tidy Up Champion - Harry T (Quartz)

KS2 Tidy Up Champion - Oliver B (5 Onyx)



EARLY YEARS
STAR OF THE WEEK



Amber: Keanu C

Garnet: Millie R

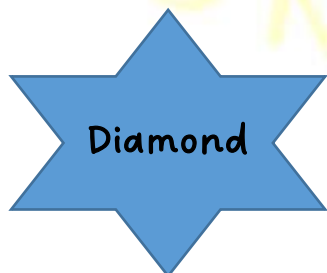
Turquoise: Andrada P

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			100%
Nursery Amber		93.7%	
Reception Garnet			96.1%
Reception Turquoise		91.4%	
1 Jade		92.8%	
1 Crystal			97%
2 Diamond			99.7%
2 Pearl		92.3%	
3 Ruby		93.7%	
3 Emerald			96.2%
4 Coral			96.3%
4 Opal			96.7%
5 Onyx		92.7%	
5 Sapphire	88.1%		
6 Topaz			95.3%
6 Amethyst		91%	

Well done to



for winning the attendance award this week!



Attendance Ladder



HOUSEPOINTS

Rowling

Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



AND THE
WINNER
IS.....

Horowitz!!