



# The Galley Hill Times

Dates for the diary...

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Year 1 Crystal Sharing Assembly
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Reception Turquoise Sharing Assembly
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> June	AM	Year 3 Olympics Festival
Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	All Day	School Closed – Occasional Day
Monday	26 <sup>th</sup> June	All Day	Ark Farm Visit – Nursery & Quartz
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup> June	AM	Year 5 Olympics Festival
Friday	30 <sup>th</sup> June	All Day	Year 3 Trip Gadespring Cressbeds
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> July	All Day	Year 6 Trip Food and Farming Festival
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm	Sports Day – Afternoon Nursery & Quartz
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am EY & KS1 1.30pm KS2	Sports Day
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> July	AM	Switcheroo Day
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> July	All Day	Reception Trip – Whipsnade Zoo
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> July	1.45pm Dress Rehearsal, 6pm	Year 5 / 6 Performance – The Lion King
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm	Year 5 / 6 Performance – The Lion King
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup> July	All Day	Year 2 Seaside Day
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> July	5pm-7pm	Year 6 Leavers Party
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup> July	All Day	Year 6 Trip Legoland
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> July	9am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> July	1.55pm KS1 / 2pm KS2	Break up for Summer Holiday!

## Message from Mrs Birch

As you may know from your child, every Friday we have a Celebration Assembly. This is one of my favourite times of the week as we celebrate the children's successes both within school and their wider achievements (please keep sharing these with Mrs Sproat!). In today's assembly, I was overjoyed to hear from our children successes such as holding the door open for people, being polite to adults in public and helping to clear up an area after a club. We talk a lot in school about our Galley Hill Expectations to 'Be respectful' and 'Be your best' and it really does fill me with pride when the children are able to share when they have done these things. I feel strongly you can never underestimate the power of kindness and respect. Well done Team Galley Hill!

## Swimming Pool

As some of you are already aware, we are having a temporary swimming pool installed on our Key Stage 2 playground for two weeks. The installation of this pool is due to start on Monday. This 'Pools for Schools' approach to swimming has been used across the country for many years and we are very excited to be trialling it with some of our children. The pool is housed within its own marquee and is manned by a lifeguard and swimming teacher. Please ensure that your children do not prevent the installation process next week by touching anything or going into the area before and after school.

The pool coming to us has been with our colleagues at Nash Mills Primary for the last couple of weeks and we have heard very positive feedback from them. We are very excited to see how the initiative works and hope that all those children partaking in swimming sessions enjoy the experience.

## Sharing Assemblies

Our next sharing assemblies will be presented by Team Crystal on Monday 19th June and Team Turquoise on Tuesday 20th June. These are an opportunity for the children to share with parents about the learning they have been undertaking, followed by the chance for parents to visit their child's classroom if they wish. Parents and carers who wish to come and share in these events should come to the school office at 9am on the appropriate day. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

## Occasional Day

Just a reminder that Friday 23rd June is our occasional day. The school will be closed for everyone on that day.

## Value of the Month

Our value for the month of June is 'co-operation'. We have introduced this value in assemblies and are reinforcing it through our discussions with the children in class and around the school as much as we can. Please support us by praising your child when they should co-operation at home.

## Well done 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.

**Amber:** Haajira R / Jaxon C    **Garnet:** Samuel W    **Turquoise:** Albie Y

**Jade:** Maisie A    **Crystal:** Max T    **Pearl:** Aisha S

**Diamond:** Stanley D

# Celebrate

Well done to *Mia M* in 3 Emerald who was awarded Gymnast of the Week for her vault and handstands. Great work Mia, well done!

*Chloe N* in 5 Onyx has been accepted in to Watford Football Club's Academy. Amazing achievement Chloe, keep working hard!

Well done to *Ellie A* in 5 Sapphire, *Madison V* in 2 Pearl, *Chloe T* in Turquoise and *Isla T* in 3 Ruby who all performed 2 dance shows with Bovington Dance Academy over the weekend to over 500 people. What a great experience girls!

*Frankie D* in 3 Emerald made the semi finals in her streetdance competition and came 3<sup>rd</sup> in her Rock and Roll. Brilliant Frankie, well done!

Well done to *Lara P* in 2 Pearl who was awarded Gymnast of the Week this week. Fantastic Lara!

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

### EARLY YEARS STAR OF THE WEEK

#### GARNET

*Harley H*

#### TURQUOISE

*Chloe T*

Star of  
the  
Week!

#### NURSERY

*Diljan S*

## HOLIDAY DATES 2024 / 2025

School holiday dates for the school year 2023/24 and 2024/25 are now available on the website. <https://www.galleyhill.herts.sch.uk/term-dates/>. Please do make a note of these dates if you are looking at booking holidays and let other family members know so children are not missing important days at school. Term time holidays will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances and this may lead to a fine.

## GALLEY HILL CHICKENS HAVE BEEN NAMED



Thank you to the children who have recently been attending chicken club as between them our 3 resident Galley Hill chickens have now been named. We would like to introduce Salt, Pepper and Emris!

## YEAR 2 OLYMPICS FESTIVAL

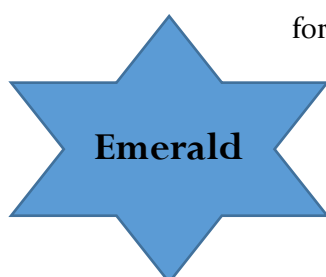
Well done to Team Pearl who came 2<sup>nd</sup> today in their Olympics Festival against other schools in Dacorum.

## 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	81.7%		
Nursery Amber	80%		
Reception Garnet	85.7%		
Reception Turquoise			95.9%
1 Jade			96.5%
1 Crystal		94%	
2 Diamond	89.3%		
2 Pearl		92.9%	
3 Ruby		91.3%	
3 Emerald			98%
4 Coral		94.1%	
4 Opal	85.8%		
5 Onyx		93.8%	
5 Sapphire			97.7%
6 Topaz		90%	
6 Amethyst		95%	

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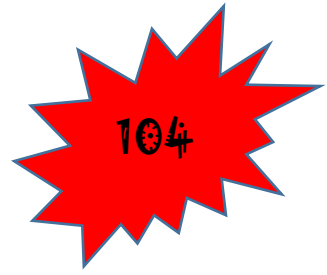
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Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



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WINNER  
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**Horowitz!!**

