



THE GALLEY HILL TIMES

FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER 2022

Dates for the diary...

Friday	16 th December	4pm-5pm / 5.30pm-6.30pm	Christmas Disco
Monday	19 th December	9am	Y6 Amethyst Sharing Assembly
Tuesday	20 th December		Class Christmas party - Nursery, Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4
Wednesday	21 st December		Class Christmas party - Quartz, Year 5 & Year 6
Wednesday	21 st December	1.55pm/2pm	Break up for Christmas
Friday	6 th January 2023		Back To school
Thursday	12 th January	3.15pm	Open Classrooms
Monday	16 th January	9am	Y6 Topaz Sharing Assembly
Tuesday	17 th January	9am	Y2 Diamond Sharing Assembly
Thursday	19 th January	All day	Y4 St Albans Abbey Trip



Message from Mrs Birch

It is very appropriate that our value for the month of December is 'thankfulness' as I have been very grateful for a number of things this week. Firstly, I would like to thank all parents for their understanding at the beginning of the week when we had to open late to ensure everyone could travel safely in the snow and ice. I'd also like to thank the Early Years children and staff for the fantastic performances put on by Reception and Nursery this week. It was fabulous to see all of our youngest children on stage. Finally, I would like to thank our incredible staff for their hard work and dedication once again this term. We really are very fortunate to have such an amazing team.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and wish you every happiness for 2023. We look forward to seeing all of the children back in school on Friday 6th January.

Sharing Assembly

Just a reminder that Amethyst Sharing Assembly will take place at 9am on Monday (19th December). Parents are welcome to come and hear about the children's learning and accompany them back to class afterwards to look at their learning in the books and classroom environment.

Class Christmas Parties

The children have their class Christmas parties next Tuesday and Wednesday. They are still to come to school in uniform and can bring their party clothes with them to change into. They will enjoy

biscuits and squash during their party. If your child has any allergies then please let your class teacher know.



WELL DONE WEDNESDAY

The following are the Key Stage 1 children who should feel very proud for being selected for Well Done Wednesday. I'm sure that they are all looking forward to their milkshake and cookies!



Well Done Wednesday

Nursery: *Indigo W*

Turquoise: *Kevin H*

Garnet: *Olivia H*

Crystal: *Amar M*

Jade: *Sulaiman R*

Pearl: *Jack B*

Diamond: *Scarlett B*



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS



Well done to *Tate S* in 3 Emerald who took part in the Winter Wonderland gymnastics competition at the weekend and won Bronze on Bar and Bronze on Vault. Amazing Tate, great work!

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



GALLEY HILL NEW TWITTER ACCOUNT

The school is launching our own Twitter account that will be used for sharing the wonderful work, activities and achievements of your children. @Galleyhill_sch is available for you all to follow. Twitter will be used as an additional communication tool as well as the traditional methods but can also be used in an emergency such as closure of the school. As with all social media, users need to be aware of what is being posted and should you not want your child to appear on the school Twitter account then please complete the appropriate consent permission on Arbor. We look forward to sharing all the amazing goings on with you @Galleyhill_sch.



CLUBS FOR NEXT TERM

The club list for next term is just being finalised and these will go live to book from 22nd December. All externally run clubs will need to be booked direct with the companies (eg Sprog Sports, Hemel Storm, Little Kickers etc), a letter will be sent out next week with all the details of how to book these clubs. They will subject to their own charges. All school run clubs will be the usual 50p per session payable for the term.



HEMEL STORM 2 HOME GAMES THIS WEEKEND



Hemel Storm round off this year with 2 home games this weekend with a 7pm tip off on Saturday against Team Newcastle, and a 5pm tip off on Sunday against London Sharks. You can catch these games at Hemel Sports Centre. Tickets are available on the door or you can buy in advance at www.stormbasketball.net.



EARLY YEARS STARS OF THE WEEK

TEAM TURQUOISE

Paige C



TEAM GARNET

Theodore P

TEAM AMBER

All of them for their performance!



SANTA'S MERRY MILE

Everyone Active have organised their annual fundraiser 'Santa's Merry Mile' which takes place at Jarman Park Athletics Track on Wednesday 21st December. The gates open at 6pm with the event starting at 7pm. You can choose to take part in this, or just sponsor the event. All funds are being raised for Team Macy who kindly donated our defibrillator. Please see

<https://www.everyoneactive.com/news/santas-merry-mile/> for more information.

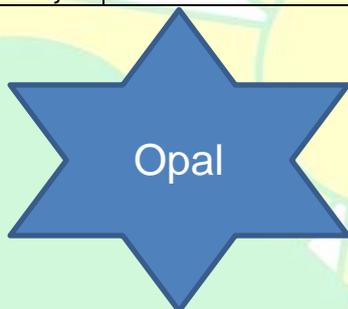


ATTENDANCE

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	83.3%		
Nursery Amber	81.5%		
Reception Garnet	83%		
Reception Turquoise	87.9%		
1 Jade	81.4%		
1 Crystal	88%		
2 Diamond	80.7%		
2 Pearl	78.2%		
3 Ruby	82.8%		
3 Emerald	87.9%		
4 Coral	75.5%		
4 Opal		90.4%	
5 Onyx	77%		
5 Sapphire	88.6%		
6 Topaz	78.4%		
6 Amethyst	84.8%		

Well done to



for winning this week!



HOUSEPOINTS

And the winner with the most housepoints this week is:



Well done **Rowling** for winning this week!



Merry Christmas

BEST WISHES

And a Very

Happy

New Year