



# ***THE GALLEY HILL TIMES***

**FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

*Dates for the diary...*

Monday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.45am	Yr 3 & 4 Church Carol Service
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	2pm	Reception Christmas Performance dress rehearsal
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.45am	Yr 5 & 6 Church Carol Service
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup> December	2.15pm	Reception Christmas Performance
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	All day	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper day
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	2.15pm	Reception Christmas performance
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> December	10.45am	Nursery Christmas Songs
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> December	2.45pm	Nursery Christmas Songs
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> December	4pm-5pm / 5.30pm-6.30pm	Christmas Disco
Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	9am	Y6 Amethyst Sharing Assembly
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> December		Class Christmas party – Nursery, Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup> December		Class Christmas party – Quartz, Year 5 & Year 6
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup> December	1.55pm/2pm	Break up for Christmas



## **Message from Mrs Birch**

This week, it was an absolute delight to be able to put on a large scale Christmas performance for the first time since before the pandemic and what a fantastic job the children from Year 1 and 2 did! I left school on Wednesday evening absolutely full of Christmas cheer and pride for the children. Thank you to all involved in the performance and for all who came to watch. We look forward to the Early Years performances and Key Stage Two Carol Concerts next week.

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, we will be having our school Christmas dinner. On this day, we also invite children to wear a Christmas jumper to school. This is just for fun and there is not expectation to bring a donation. The Christmas jumper should be worn with the rest of our usual school uniform.

### **PE Kits**

We have a growing number of children in school, who do not have their PE kits with them for their PE lessons. We recommend that the PE kits are brought into school on a Monday and stay in school

all week. Please ensure that your child has a PE kit with them as this is an essential part of the curriculum and physical activity is excellent to support good mental health and well-being. This should include plimsolls or trainers. We also recommend tracksuit bottoms for the winter as lessons are often taught outside.

### Sharing Assemblies

Many thanks to the children of Team Opal who presented their sharing assembly on Monday. We hope parents appreciated the opportunity to hear about your child's learning and also to go to the classroom to see more even more learning.

The sharing assembly for Team Amethyst has been moved to Monday 19th December at 9am.



### WELL DONE WEDNESDAY

The following are the Key Stage 2 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

**Emerald:** *Faye S*

**Ruby:** *Grace D*

**Coral:** *Adrian K*

**Opal:** *Sidelya C*

**Onyx:** *Charlie D*

**Sapphire:** *Evie C*

**Amethyst:** *Jack M-C*

**Topaz:** *Charlie H*

**Lunchtime:** *Maria G*



### SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to *Archie L* in 4 Coral who was awarded Man of the Match in his football game for Berkhamsted Raiders at the weekend. Great work Archie!!

*Henry K* in 3 Ruby has achieved his 10 metres in both Front Crawl and Backstroke. Amazing swimming Henry, well done!

Well done to *Elsie K* in 1 Crystal has received her Yellow level in Gymnastics and also achieved 5 metres Front Crawl at swimming. Brilliant effort Elsie, keep it up!

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](mailto:admin@galleyhill.herts.sch.uk) and we can include them on the next newsletter.



# NOTICE BOARD



## 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.



## CHRISTMAS DISCO – ONLY 1 WEEK TO GO!!



We are getting very excited now about our first disco in 3 years!!! The Christmas Disco is on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 4pm-5pm for Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2, and from 5.30pm-6.30pm for years 3-6. **There will be no ticket sales on the door** so tickets must be purchased in advance. They are £3 per child and can be purchased via Arbor or by cash at the office. Children are welcome to bring in their own snacks for the disco or you can purchase a Snack Pack priced at £2 which includes a drink, popcorn, 2 bags of Haribo sweets and a glow stick. Again, these must be purchased in advance and are payable on Arbor or cash to the office. We look forward to seeing lots of the children there!



## SCHOOL CLEANER REQUIRED

We are looking for an additional cleaner to join our school cleaning team. Hours will be term time from 3.15pm-5.45pm plus inset days, and extra days over Easter and Summer Holidays. If you are interested then please pop into the office to pick up an application form.



## CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATION COMPETITION - WINNERS

We received so many wonderful entries for our Tree Decoration competition. We hope the children had as much fun decorating them as we have had looking at them! Mrs Birch has picked the winners and prizes were given out in Celebration Assembly this morning. The winners are:

**Early Years: Freddie B (Nursery) KS1: Evelyn P (Crystal) Lower KS2: Archie L (Coral)**

**Upper KS2: Archie D (Onyx)**

Well done to all of the winners! If you would like to keep your decoration then please pop to the office to collect.



COACHING ME AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

**Winter  
Half Term**

Dates Between  
22nd Dec - 4th Jan  
9am - 4pm  
Galley Hill School  
Hemel Hempstead  
HP1 3JY



**Book Now**



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u=book&id=8133&t=2022-12-22](https://coaching-me.kidsclubhq.co.uk/rdr?u=book&id=8133&t=2022-12-22)

Hockey  
Tennis  
Dodgeball  
Badminton  
Archery  
Football  
Cricket  
Curling NEW!!  
Kinball NEW!  
And More!!



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23rd December  
9am - 3pm  
Galley Hill School  
Hemel Hempstead  
HP1 3JY



Meet Mr & Mrs Claus  
Gift From Santa  
Inflatables  
Christmas Games  
Arts & Crafts  
Christmas DJ & Party  
Hot Lunch Included

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u=book&id=8134&t=2022-12-23](https://coaching-me.kidsclubhq.co.uk/rdr?u=book&id=8134&t=2022-12-23)

**Winter  
Wonderland**



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EARLY YEARS STARS OF THE WEEK

**TEAM TURQUOISE**

*Nate H*



**TEAM GARNET**

*Olivia H*

**TEAM AMBER**

*Louisa F & Diljan S*

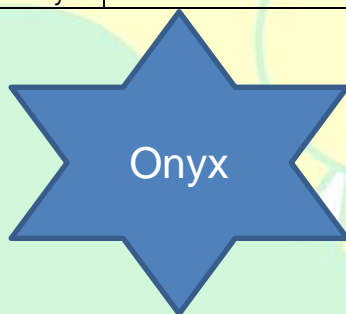


## ATTENDANCE

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	75%		
Nursery Amber	74.9%		
Reception Garnet	79.7%		
Reception Turquoise	84.8%		
1 Jade	81%		
1 Crystal	87.7%		
2 Diamond	75.2%		
2 Pearl	71.4%		
3 Ruby	78.3%		
3 Emerald	75.5%		
4 Coral	79.3%		
4 Opal	83.7%		
5 Onyx	88.3%		
5 Sapphire	74.8%		
6 Topaz	79.2%		
6 Amethyst	72.4%		

Well done to



for winning this week!



## HOUSEPOINTS

And the winner with the most housepoints this week is:

Horowitz  
108

Dahl  
107

Rowling  
99

Wilson  
99

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

