



RESPECT RESILIENCE TEAMWORK

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## Newsletter ~ 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

### **Last Week's Attendance...**

for the whole school was **94.4%**.

The class with the winning attendance was  
Blue Jays Class.

Congratulations to Bradley Cronin (Blue Jays) and  
Nicole Mirga (Ravens) for winning the £5.00 gift cards for  
having 100% for a whole week.

**Owlets Class Attendance for last week = 92%**

**Swans Class Attendance for last week = 95.8%**

**Robins Class Attendance for last week = 83.5%**

**Blue Jays Class Attendance for last week = 100%**

**Flamingos Class Attendance for last week = 93.1%**

**Finches Class Attendance for last week = 99.3%**

**Ravens Class Attendance for last week = 97.3%**

The national average for attendance is **96%**; if a child isn't at  
school this **will** negatively affect their academic progress and  
their relationships with other children.

One child who has achieved 100% attendance each week will  
win a £5.00 gift card.

One child who has achieved 100% attendance each  
half-term will win a £10 gift card.

At the end of the school year, one child with 100%  
attendance will win a £20.00 gift card.

### **Our Stars of the Week**

**Owlets Class Stars = Ace Meen and  
Elsie Winstone**

**Swans Class Stars = Noah Shead and  
Roma Smith**

**Robins Class Stars = Rowlen Gosney and  
Evelyn Thompson**

**Blue Jays Class Stars = Hollie Macleod and  
Kacey Moore**

**Flamingos Class Stars = Izabelle-Rose Viciulis  
and Alexander Stainton-Puttock**

**Finches Class Stars = Teddy Scordis and  
Hector Arnold**

**Ravens Class Stars = Alexia Vince and  
Penelope Sims**

Star of the Week certificates are awarded for  
exemplifying our Core Values (Respect,  
Resilience and Teamwork) and for showing  
excellent Behaviours for Learning.



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## Message from Miss McCarthy:

Dear Parents and Carers,

*Thank you to everyone who came to our Parents' Evenings last week...there was a lovely atmosphere throughout the meetings and it was great to see so many of you in school. If you were unable to attend last week's meetings and you don't yet have an alternative date or time booked then please do message your class teacher or contact the school office and we'll be happy to get something which works for you booked into the diary.*

*Just a reminder that we do still have some vacancies for local governors on our Academy Council...we meet once each half-term (once every six to eight weeks) and in return for gaining your thoughts and voice as part of the management of the school, you would gain an overview of how the school runs, e.g. the school finances, staffing, future plans etc. Please see the separate paperwork which is also being sent out today on Dojo to all parents and carers.*

*Also, a reminder that we do still have a group of parents and carers which meets (usually on a weekly basis) to find out more about how children develop, reasons why they might behave the way they do, and what we can do as adults to best support the children in our lives. The parents and carers who have already been coming to these sessions have said that they find them really useful, and enjoyable and interesting! 😊 Please phone or message me or the school office if you are interested in joining us, or in finding out more about the group and what we do.*

*Please check the 'Dates for your Diaries' at the end of this newsletter for events which might be of use to you, or any events involving your children.*

*As always, many thanks for all your encouragement and support; please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Hawkins or Mrs. Brooks-White in the school office if you have any questions or concerns, and they will ensure that the right member of staff gets back to you.*

*With all best wishes,*

Tracey McCarthy  
(Headteacher)



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### *Glade Parent Forum:*

*Our Parent Forum had its first meeting on 8.10.24, and one of the agenda items was the timing of future meetings – we wanted to give as many parents and carers as possible the opportunity to attend the meetings. It was agreed that the next meeting would be booked for after school, 5.30pm.*

*The next meeting had provisionally been booked into the diary for 2pm on 26.11 but given the change of start time I removed it and was looking to book it in for 5.30pm.*

*However, I've liaised with the school staff, and we cannot think of anything at present that we can suggest for the agenda which parents can usefully discuss. In addition, as you will have seen from the minutes, parents who attended the last meeting couldn't think of any suggestions for future agenda items.*

*I wouldn't want to waste anyone's valuable time, so I am postponing the next Parent Forum meeting until the first half of the Spring Term.*

*Please see below (continued on the next page), for a reminder of the Terms of Reference agreed during the meeting in Autumn One.*

### **Glade Academy Parent Forum: terms of reference**

#### **Aims of the forum**

- *To learn about the school community and parental perspectives*
- *Raise awareness of the views of our parent community*
- *Consult on changes, such as projects, policy proposals and local issues in the school community*
- *Explore views on specific concerns or issues*
- *Triangulate governor, parent, pupil and staff viewpoints*
- *Gain support for school projects or goals*

#### **Membership**

*All parents and carers of pupils of our school are automatically members of the parent forum.*



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### **Code of conduct**

*As a member of the parent forum I agree to:*

- *Having the best interests of all children and their parents - e.g. not discussing your own child's issues*
- *Show respect to all members of this forum, by listening to and respecting a diverse range of opinions*
- *Stick to agreed timescales for discussion of topics*
- *Maintain confidentiality on matters which aren't yet public knowledge (e.g. potential changes to school uniform)*
- *Maintain confidentiality by not naming individual members of the parent community*
- *Avoid discussing individual circumstances or grievances. These issues will be directed via the school's Complaints Procedure instead*
- *Give all those involved an opportunity to speak*

### **Frequency of the forum**

*Forum meetings will be held halftermly, or whenever a pressing issue comes up*

*Forum meetings will last no longer than an hour*



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*Dates for your Diaries:*

*December:*

<i>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></i>	<i>9am: Star of the Week Assembly; 2pm: Blue Jays Parent Café; 3.30pm – 4.30pm: Year 6 Boosters.</i>
<i>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></i>	<i>2pm: Flamingos Parent Café.</i>
<i>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>2pm: Ravens Parent Café.</i>
<i>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>2pm: Finches Parent Café.</i>
<i>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>9am: Star of the Week Assembly; 3.30pm – 4.30pm: Year 6 Boosters.</i>
<i>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>9:30am: EYFS &amp; KS1 Nativity Performance (ticketed event).</i>
<i>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>6pm: EYFS &amp; KS1 Nativity Performance (ticketed event).</i>
<i>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>9am: Owlets Class Sharing Assembly.</i>
<i>Monday 16<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>9am: Star of the Week Assembly.</i>
<i>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Christmas Dinner day.</i>
<i>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>4pm – 5:30pm: COGs Christmas Cracker</i>
<i>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Last Day of Term.</i>

*We wish you all a lovely Christmas break and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.*

