



RESPECT RESILIENCE TEAMWORK

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Newsletter ~ 24th October 2025

Last Week's Attendance...

for the whole school was 95.7%.

*The class with the winning attendance was
Merlins Class.*

*Congratulations to Kacey Moore (Red Kites) for
winning the £5.00 gift card for having 100% for a
whole week.*

*Congratulations to Abby Laidlaw (Merlins) for winning
the £10 gift card for having 100% for a whole half
term.*

Owlets Class Attendance for last week = 94.1%

Swans Class Attendance for last week = 95.5%

Firecrests Class Attendance for last week = 97.4%

Magpies Class Attendance for last week = 95.2%

Red Kites Class Attendance for last week = 96.5%

Merlins Class Attendance for last week = 98.5%

Phoenix Class Attendance for last week = 93.2%

*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 = Elise Coster and
Blue-Blossom Meen***

***Swans Class Stars = Elsie Winstone and
Melita Butkeviciute***

***Firecrests Class Stars = Orlagh Millett and
Athena Field***

***Magpies Class Stars = Elsie Carrick and
Storm-Ivy Meen***

***Red Kites Class Stars = Corey White and
Isla Tyson***

***Merlins Class Stars = Marnie Sutherland and
Izabelle-Rose Viciulus***

***Phoenix Class Stars = Amelia Dudek and
Vilte Andruskeviciute***

*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,

Please remember that following the October half-term holiday, all children from Year One through to Year Six should be coming to school wearing their P.E. kits on the days when they have P.E. lessons. Children in Owlets Class will change in school for their lessons so that we can continue to support, encourage and assess their levels of independence in line with the Early Learning Goals.

We've had a few opportunities for parents and carers to come into school now for assemblies, meetings and Parent Cafes...and I am sure many of you have noticed the children's kitchen which was installed over the summer break. Some time ago, our children wrote to David Cousins (our academy trust's chief finance officer) to request that he spend some of the trust's capital funding on a kitchen for the children, so they could have the full experience of the Design and Technology curriculum. Mr. Cousins was unable to allocate any capital funding as this had to be used for health and safety work across the trust...however, he approached all the businesses which had provided any service for the trust over the past few years and asked them if they would make a donation towards a kitchen for Glade. He raised just over £20,000.

Our children in Breakfast Club and Wild Wings after school wraparound care love using the kitchen, and I know the children and teachers are looking forward to being able to have their Design and Technology cookery lessons in our new kitchen!

A big thank you to Mr. Cousins for his efforts on behalf of our children, all the businesses which donated funds towards making the children's dream a reality, and to Wren kitchens for their kitchen design 😊

I hope everyone has a lovely, well-deserved break over the October half-term holiday.

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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We are currently looking for a Midday Supervisor (MSA) and a Site officer to join our team here at Glade Academy.

If you are interested in either position and would like to find out more or would like to come and have a look around please contact the school office on 01842 811580 or email office@gla.eastern-mat.co.uk.

To apply please click on the following link or visit our website.

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Dates for your Diaries:

Monday 27th – Friday 31st October Half Term.

November:

Monday 3rd 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
Monday 10th 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
Friday 14th Pyjama Day - £1
9am: Magpies Sharing Assembly.
Monday 17th Interim School Reports;
9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
Tuesday 18th Parents' Evening.
Thursday 19th Parents' Evening.
Friday 21st 9am: Firecrests Sharing Assembly.
Monday 24th 9am: Star of the Week Assembly;
2pm: Firecrests Parent Café.
Wednesday 26th 2pm: Swans Parent Café.
Thursday 27th 2pm: Owlets Parent Café.
Friday 28th 9am: Swans Sharing Assembly;
10am: EYFS Open Morning for prospective Sept 2026 families.

December:

Monday 1st 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
2pm: Magpies Parent Café.
Tuesday 2nd 2pm: Red Kites Parent Café;
5.30pm: EYFS Open Evening for prospective Sept 2026 families.
Wednesday 3rd 2pm: Phoenix Class Parent Café.
Thursday 4th 9am: SEND Parent Drop-in Session;
2pm: Merlins Parent Café.



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Monday 8th	<i>9am: Star of the Week Assembly.</i>
Tuesday 9th	<i>9.30am: KS1 Nativity Performance – ticketed event only.</i>
Thursday 11th	<i>6pm: KS1 Nativity Performance - ticketed event only.</i>
Friday 12th	<i>9am: Owlets Nativity Assembly.</i>
Monday 15th	<i>9am: Star of the Week Assembly; 5.30pm: Owlets Nativity – ticketed event only.</i>
Wednesday 17th	<i>Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day - £1</i>

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Monday 22nd December – 5th January Christmas Holiday.