



RESPECT RESILIENCE TEAMWORK

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Newsletter ~ 28th November 2025

Last Week's Attendance...

for the whole school was **93.9%**.

The class with the winning attendance was
Phoenix Class.

Congratulations to Guney Toprak (Magpies) and
Amelia Dudek (Phoenix Class) for winning the £5.00
gift cards for having 100% for a whole week.

Owlets Class Attendance for last week = 94.9%

Swans Class Attendance for last week = 92.1%

Firecrests Class Attendance for last week = 91.5%

Magpies Class Attendance for last week = 94%

Red Kites Class Attendance for last week = 94.4%

Merlins Class Attendance for last week = 91%

Phoenix Class Attendance for last week = 97.4%

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 = Jackson Dent and
Emily Kanidagli

Swans Class Stars = Natan Paszek and
Ariana Birch-Stabile

Firecrests Class Stars = Oscar Viciulis and
Jackson Glasscock

Magpies Class Stars = Evelyn Trevillion and
Arthur Killingworth

Red Kites Class Stars = Eleanor Sayers and
Archie Millett

Merlins Class Stars = Milly Hardy and
Lara Oliveira

Phoenix Class Stars = Lenny Crane and
Rosie Quinton

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,

It was great to see so many of you popping into school last week for our Parents' Evenings, there was a lovely atmosphere throughout the school, and I hope that everyone found the experience useful. Please do contact your child's class teacher if you were unable to attend their Parents' Evenings last week, or you would like any further information about how your child is getting on at school.

So far, teachers have met with:

- Miss McCloskey has met with 28 out of 30 families;
- Miss Street has met with 20 out of 21 families;
- Mrs. Peck has met with 21 out of 23 families;
- Miss Lougher has met with 23 out of 24 families;
- Mrs. McCaghrey and Miss Hodges have met with 19 out of 20 families;
- Mrs. Roden has met with 26 out of 28 families;
- Mr. McDonald has met with 29 out of 31 families.

As a school, we have just six families we are still trying to organise meetings with...thank you everyone for all your support for your children! 😊

The excitement is building in Owlets, Swans and Firecrests Classes...they're getting ready for their Christmas productions! If you have children in these classes, please keep an eye out for information about these events.

I know that some of you saw some different faces around the school a couple of weeks ago, on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th November...I heard some parents wondering whether we had Ofsted inspectors in! Our visitors were Mr. Khan (who also works as an Ofsted Inspector), Mr. Cresswell and Mr. Paull, from our Academy Trust (EMAT); they were carrying out their full annual audit of our school. I thought you might to see some of our feedback:

"Glade Academy is a highly inclusive, strongly led, and nurturing school where pupils are known, valued, and supported to thrive. Pupils demonstrate a deep sense of belonging, calmness, and pride — clear evidence of a culture built on respect, consistency, and care."

"Safeguarding is exceptionally well led and embedded in daily practice, with robust systems understood and implemented consistently by all staff. Pupils say they feel safe and know whom to talk to if they are worried, reflecting both the vigilance and humanity of the DSL team."

"A strong team ethos underpins all aspects of the school's work. Adults share a collective sense of purpose, professionalism, and pride. Assistant teachers, teachers, and leaders work seamlessly together to create an environment that balances care with challenge and nurture with ambition. The alignment between pastoral and academic provision ensures pupils develop both the knowledge and the character needed to thrive."



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“Glade is a school of genuine inclusivity, strong professional integrity, and unwavering commitment; one where pupils feel they belong, are safe, and achieve highly because of the strength, clarity, and compassion of its leadership and staff team.”

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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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.
- Monday 8th** 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
3.15pm: School Council Teddy Tombola (running until 18th December, after school every day)
- Tuesday 9th** 9.30am: KS1 Nativity Performance – ticketed event only.
- Thursday 11th** 6pm: KS1 Nativity Performance - ticketed event only.
- Friday 12th** COGS 'Wear a Colour' non-uniform day (details to follow on Dojo)
9am: Owlets Nativity Assembly.
- Monday 15th** 9am: Star of the Week Assembly;
5.30pm: Owlets Nativity – ticketed event only.
- Wednesday 17th** Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day - £1;
Christmas Dinner – orders need to be placed on Aspens Select.
- Friday 19th** Last day of school.

Monday 22nd December – 5th January Christmas Holiday.