



**Glade  
Academy**

RESPECT RESILIENCE TEAMWORK

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## Newsletter ~ 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

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

for the whole school was **95.8%**.

Phoenix Class had the percentage which was the highest of the classes and exceeded the national average (96%), and they won the extra playtime!

Congratulations to Diego Sousa (Magpies) for winning the £10.00 gift card for having 100% for a half-term.

Congratulations to Maeve Kent (Swans) and Emlyn Winston (Owlets) for winning the £5 gift cards for having 100% for a whole week.

**Owlets Class Attendance for last week = 93.8%**

**Swans Class Attendance for last week = 98.2%**

**Firecrests Class Attendance for last week = 97.8%**

**Magpies Class Attendance for last week = 89.4%**

**Red Kites Class Attendance for last week = 96.4%**

**Merlins Class Attendance for last week = 94.8%**

**Phoenix Class Attendance for last week = 100%**

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** = Amara File and Emily Weldon

**Swans Class Stars** = Maeve Kent and Isla Sanders

**Firecrests Class Stars** = Edward Godinho and Noah Shead

**Magpies Class Stars** = Evelyn Trevillion and Ivy Hill

**Red Kites Class Stars** = Corey White and Archie Millett

**Merlins Class Stars** = Iris Rebelo and London Meen

**Phoenix Class Stars** = Neve Fitts and Annabelle Donovan

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,*

*We've had a busy but lovely first couple of weeks back at school, and the weather has been fantastic! Whilst it's been lovely and sunny a lot of the time, many of the mornings have been very cold – as the temperature has gone down to freezing more than once during the night. I have spoken to all the children about making sure they come to school dressed for the weather, and are warm enough and comfortable.*

*Please support your children to come to school in school uniform, dressed for the weather, so they are safe and comfortable, and can focus on their learning in the classroom, and having fun with their friends at break time and lunch time. Please bear in mind that if it's not raining too hard, we do still go outside.*

*Please take note of the 'Dates for your diaries' contained in this newsletter.*

*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 the right member of staff gets back to you.*

*With all best wishes,*

*Tracey McCarthy  
(Headteacher)*

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## Win a Class Attendance Party!

At the end of the summer term the class that has exceeded their class attendance target by the most will win a class party. Each class has their own specific target, based on their attendance figure over the course of the spring term.

### Attendance Targets

Owlets Class – 95.5%

Swans Class – 94.5%

Firecrests Class – 95.5%

Magpies Class – 95%

Red Kites Class – 98.5%

Merlins Class – 97.5%

Phoenix Class – 96.5%



**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**





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Dates for your Diaries:

April:

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.

May:

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> 9am: Red Kites Sharing Assembly.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday Monday.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Zoo Lab visit for EYFS & KS1.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 9am: Magpies Sharing Assembly.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly;

2pm: Swans Parent Café.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 2pm: Red Kites Parent Café.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm: Magpies Parent Café.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> 2pm: Merlins Parent Café.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> 9am: Firecrests Sharing Assembly;

2pm: Firecrests Parent Café.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly;

2pm: Owlets Parent Café.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Red Kites school trip.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 2pm: Phoenix Class Parent Café.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Half-term

June:

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Professional Class Photos.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> 9am: Owlets Sharing Assembly;

2pm: SEND Parent Drop-in.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.

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Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am: Multi-sports Brandon Primary Games (Years 3 & 4)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	KS1 Sports Day (1 <sup>st</sup> choice - weather dependant).
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am: Swans Sharing Assembly; KS2 Sports Day (1 <sup>st</sup> choice - weather dependant).
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9am: Star of the Week Assembly. KS2 Sports Day (2 <sup>nd</sup> choice - weather dependant)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2pm: Phoenix Class Parent Café. 2pm: Swans Parent Café.

### July:

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	KS1 Sports Day (2 <sup>nd</sup> choice – weather dependant) 2pm: Merlins Parent Café.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2pm: Magpies Parent Café.
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9am: Phoenix Class Sharing Assembly; 2pm: Red Kites Parent Café.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Summative Reports 9am: Star of the Week Assembly. 2pm: Firecrests Parent Café.
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Phoenix Class School Trip; 2pm: Owlets Parent Café.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Breckland Transition Day.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Breckland Transition Day; School Council non-uniform day;
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Glade transition week – day 1 9am: Star of the Week Assembly.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Glade transition week – day 2; 9am: End of Year Awards Ceremony for EYFS & KS1.
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Glade transition week – day 3.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Glade transition week – day 4; 9am: End of Year Awards Ceremony for KS2.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Glade transition week – day 5.