



Glade Academy

RESPECT RESILIENCE TEAMWORK

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Newsletter ~ 12th April 2023

Last Week's Attendance...

for the whole school was **94.3%**.

The class with the winning attendance was
Jays Class.

Congratulations to James Lewis (Kestrels Class) and
Ocean Meen (Skylarks Class) for winning the £5.00 gift
cards for having 100% for a whole week.

Owls Class Attendance for last week = 95.5%

Hummingbirds Class Attendance for last week = 89.7%

Jays Class Attendance for last week = 96.7%

Robins Class Attendance for last week = 95%

Blackbirds Class Attendance for last week = 95.1%

Skylarks Class Attendance for last week = 92.6%

Kestrels Class Attendance for last week = 92.9%

Hérons Class Attendance for last week = 96%

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

Owl Class Stars = Evelyn Thompson and Teddy Winstone /
Evelyn Trevillion and Maiklas Arasimavicius

Hummingbirds Class Stars=Flora Deeley and Callie Last
/ Imogen-Jean Whitehouse and Adele Vainaviciute

Jays Class Stars = Amelia Rouse and Erin Jameson

Robins Class Stars = Kingston Clarke and Lily Brown /
Teddy Scordis and Lily Brown

Blackbirds Class Stars=Poppy Hardy and Kieran Hughes /
Sophia Potschul and Joe Wheeler-Smith

Skylarks Class Stars=James Nice and Rosanna Bell /
Madjer Nogueira and Ocean Meen

Kestrels Class Stars = Lukne Ragauskaite and Luke Street /
Sophia Smith and Marina-Anne Hanks

Hérons Class Stars = Danielius Ragauskas and Jack Holmes

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,

There's been so much going on this week!!!

Firstly, a big congratulations to Herons, our Y6 Class, for surviving their KS2 SATs week...this has been the first SATs Week in five years that we have had perfect attendance, with every child being at school on time, every day. A big thank you too to all of the staff who have put effort into supporting the children, putting them at their ease, and providing the SATs Week Breakfast Club.

Our Year Three and Four children have also been hard at work practising for their performances of 'Cinderella' next week ~ they are very excited!

The builders are a week ahead of schedule and have completed Blackbirds Classroom, Owls Classroom and the office areas; they are about to finish the toilets for Owls, our Music and Drama room, and the storage room. During the half-term holiday they will complete work on the corridor outside the staffroom and the staffroom itself, and then following the holiday they will work on the Meeting Room, and the Computer Room. They will then leave the hall, our Breakfast Club area, and our Art Area for the Summer Holiday...the end is in sight! 😊

The weather has been warmer recently, but we've also had plenty of heavy rain ~ please support your children to come to school with the right clothing for the weather.

As always, many thanks for all of your support and encouragement; please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Hawkins or Mrs. Brooks-White in the school office with any questions or concerns.

All best wishes,

Miss M 😊

School Council News – Summer 1

Easter Eggcellent Eggstravaganza

Thank you to all who took part in this fund-raiser. After expenses, we made just over £50 which will go towards our in-school project and Karen's Hedgehogspital.



Badge Making

Thank you to those who have made badges so far – don't forget to ask your class teacher for a pre-cut circle, and remember to leave the outer 5mm undecorated as this gets turned over to help attach the front of the badge to its backing.

CoGS

School Council would like to thank CoGS for all their hard work and dedication to make the King's Coronation Afternoon Tea event so fantastic. Every child in school had the opportunity to eat a scone with butter and jam, and to have a drink. It was an amazing experience made all the more so by the attention to detail in the decorations. We even had King Charles III with us, too!

THANK YOU CoGS

Mrs Jones (School Council Facilitator)



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Dates for your Diaries:

May:

Monday 15 th	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2pm: Herons Parents' Café; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Wednesday 17 th	9am: Cinderella Performance; 2pm: Kestrels Parents' Café;
Thursday 18 th	2pm: Jays Parent's Café; 6pm: Cinderella Performance;
Friday 19 th	9am: Kestrels Class Sharing Assembly; 2.45pm: Hummingbirds Class Sharing Assembly
Monday 22 nd	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2pm: Skylarks Parents' Café; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Tuesday 23 rd	2pm: Hummingbirds Parents' Café;
Wednesday 24 th	2pm: Owls Parents' Café;
Friday 26 th	9am: Robins Class Sharing Assembly; 2.45pm: Owls Class Sharing Assembly

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June School closed for half term.

June:

Monday 5 th	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Monday 12 th	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Thursday 15 th	TBC: SEND Coffee morning;
Friday 16 th	9am: Herons Class Sharing Assembly;
Monday 19 th	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Friday 23 rd	9am: Kestrels Class Sharing Assembly;
Monday 26 th	9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly; 2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
Friday 30 th	9am: Skylarks Class Sharing Assembly; 2.45pm: Jays Class Sharing Assembly;



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July:

- Monday 3rd 9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly;
2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
- Wednesday 5th 2pm: Herons Parents' Café;
- Thursday 6th 2pm: Blackbirds Parents' Café and transition event for Year 4 into Year 5;
- Friday 7th 9am: Blackbirds Class Sharing Assembly;
2pm: Robins Parents' Café and transition event for Year 3 into Year 4;
2.45pm: Hummingbirds Class Sharing Assembly;
Summative Reports;
- Monday 10th 9am: KS2 Star of the week assembly;
2pm: Skylarks & Kestrels Parents' Café and transition event for Year 5 into Year 6;
2.45pm: EYFS and KS1 Star of the week assembly;
- Tuesday 11th 2pm: Jays Parents' Café and transition event for Year 2 into Year 3;
- Wednesday 12th 2pm: Hummingbirds Parents' Café and transition event for Year 1 into Year 2;
- Thursday 13th 2pm: Owls Parents' Café and transition event for EYFS into Year 1;
- Friday 14th 9am: Robins Class Sharing Assembly;
2.45pm: Owls Class Sharing Assembly;

Monday 24th July – Friday 1st September School closed for the Summer holiday.

We look forward to welcoming the children back on Wednesday 6th September 2023.



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Please see the following information about some support that may be beneficial to you.

The Cake Initiative -

If you are struggling to make ends meet around your child's birthday, please reach out to <https://cake-initiative.org.uk/#request>. Please note: they require at least 2 weeks' notice to fulfil an order. Regrettably, at this point in time, they are unable to cater for children with allergies.

The Harvest Centre -

Allows residents 1 free food parcel a month, just pop in or email the harvest centre on foodparcels@theharvestcentre.com with your name and address and how many people are in the household. When collecting your food parcel, you do need to bring your own bags. Collection is on Tuesdays from 11:00am to 1:00pm.

Zebras Children And Adults Charity -

Have a weekly fruit and veg drop- in which is in partnership with the Royal British Legion on Wednesdays from 9.30-11am. If you are in need of a free bag of fruit and vegetables then please do go along. The fruit and veg is only there until its gone, so please do arrive earlier if you can to avoid disappointment.

Brandon Church Institute -

Has food left over from Tesco, the surplus is left in the foyer of the Church Institute. This can be daily sometimes.

We also have a contact there that can provide food parcels all we need is for you to message us with your name and contact details for us to pass on.

Free School Meals -

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:



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- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals>

Suffolk Local Welfare Assistance Scheme (LWAS) –

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/community-and-safety/communities/healthier/suffolk-local-welfare-assistance-scheme>

To receive help from LWAS you must:

- Be able to demonstrate you are in financial hardship
- Live in Suffolk
- Be 16-years old or over
- Not be subject to immigration control or have no recourse to public funds
- Have a combined household income of £27,500 a year or less?
- Have less than £1,500 available in savings across the household
- Have not made an application in the previous 6 months

They will look at your income and savings. If you have adequate savings to meet your basic living needs, your application will be declined.