

Graveley Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter 5 - Summer Term 1 2022

Dear Parents,

FOG News

Thank you for supporting our FOG events this week. We are still waiting to find out how much we have raised for the textile collection and will let you know in next week's letter but the children's disco raised £257.

The children seemed to be having a fantastic time after school yesterday and enjoyed tucking into the goodies on offer. Thank you to all of the volunteers that came a long on the day to help or worked behind the scenes buying and organising the event beforehand.

Jubilee Day

Just a reminder that next Friday we will be having our open afternoon to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

To prevent the hall from becoming overcrowded we will be operating a rota system.

Class 4 and any younger siblings - 1.30pm
Class 3 and any younger siblings - 1.50pm
Class 2 and any younger siblings - 2.10pm
Class 1 at 2.30pm

To confirm attendance, please log into your child's Arbor account and go to 'Activities/Trips/Queen's Jubilee afternoon tea'. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

Parking

We have been informed by Cadent who are currently carrying out the gas works in Ashwell Common have informed us that from next week they will be digging up in front of the school. They have asked that only staff parking in our car park and local residents access the road during this time. Can we please ask that you find alternative places to park during this time. We believe this disruption will last 3 weeks.

Goodbye

On Tuesday, class 3 will be saying goodbye to Miss Evans, who has now finished her teaching placement with us. She has one last presentation to do at University before starting her career as a qualified teacher in September.



TT Rockstars

Well done to all of those children who have taken part in our TT Rockstar tournament this week:

This week's results:

1st place - Phoebe
2nd place - Beatrix
3rd place - Tayla-Ann
Year group winners - year 5

Numbots

Well done to all of the children that have had a go at Numbots in Class 1 this week.

This week's results:

1st place - Sienna
2nd place - Alfie
3rd place - Arthur

Victorian Day

Children in year 1 and 2 have taken part in a Victorian School Day workshop this morning. They enjoyed a visit from the Stevenage Museum.



Thank you all for the fab costumes that really helped them to get into role. I'm sure they will tell you all about it later today.

OFFICE NEWS

Breakfast Club - bookings for breakfast club will now be done via Arbor (not Parent Pay). To make a booking(s), log into your child's Arbor account and go to 'Activities/Club'. Please contact the school office (admin@graveley.herts.sch.uk) if you have any queries.

Class 3 and 4 swimming sessions start Tuesday 7th June. Please make payment (£33.20) via Arbor and complete and return the swimming form to the school office by Wednesday 25th May.

Class 3 will be visiting the Verulamium Museum on Wednesday 29th June. Please pay via Arbor (£5.25) before Friday 17th June.

ARBOR

All school communication and online payments are moving from Parentmail/Parent Pay to Arbor. If you have not already done so, please register with Arbor using the following link:

<https://graveley-primary.uk.arbor.sc>

Click on 'Forgotten Password' and follow the instructions. Your **User Name is your personal email address**. If you have any difficulties, please email the school office on admin@graveley.herts.sch.uk

Class 1 News

To link in with their Victorian school days topic, the children in class 1 have been writing diary entries of what it would be like to be a Victorian school-child. Year 1 have begun to look at multiplication in maths and reception have been focusing on counting accurately and learning their number bonds. In Art, they were inspired by the work of James Rizzi to create their own paintings.

Class 2 News

Year 2 children have been inspired to write their own explanations this week on 'What not to do with a year 2 child.' These were inspired by the story 'What not to do with a puppy.' In maths, they have been solving real life word problems. In science, they have investigated properties of materials and different things to build a house for the 3 Little Pigs.

Class 3 News

In English, the children have finished writing their own myths. They have collected data to create their own bar graphs in maths. In science, they have planted their sunflowers into the flowerbed outside of Mrs. Hand's office. In computing, the children are starting to produce their own stop-go animations using play dough models.

Class 4 News

In maths, class 4 have been solving problems involving percentages, fractions and decimals. They have started to write their own Greek myths and have some very inspired characters! In science, they have continued to investigate properties of materials. They tested out the insulation on beakers in keeping something warm. In their topic on the Ancient Greeks, they have been studying the dark age and found out why so many cities disappeared during this time.

Some dates for the diary:

- Friday 27th May - Queen's Jubilee Party Day (opportunity to view children's work in the hall, followed by afternoon tea) - please book your place via Arbor.
- Half term - Monday 30th May until Friday 3rd June (inclusive).
- Monday 6th June - Children return to school.
- Tuesday 7th June - Class 3 and 4 start swimming lessons at Hitchin Swimming Pool. £33.20 payment via Arbor.

"With God, all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26