

Graveley Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter 3 - Summer Term 2 2022

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who attended our Summer Fete yesterday. It was wonderful to see so many people enjoying the fun and games after two summers without this popular event. An enormous thank you to the FOG committee, who really went above and beyond to organise a brilliant afternoon. Thank you also to those of you who volunteered your time or skills to support. Every bit of help is greatly appreciated and every penny raised contributes to providing exciting opportunities for our children. The grand total raised this year is over £1000!

Prize winners were:

Beat the Goalie KS1 - Tom Gray

Beat the Goalie KS2 - Oscar Day

Where in the school is Kai? - Dan Hughes

How many treats in the jar? - Dan Hughes

In addition, thank you for supporting our other recent events. The 'Break the Rules' day raised £51.00 and FOG Father's Day Shop £147.20.

The FOG Auction of Promises is still live (scheduled to end next Tuesday): <https://www.auctionofpromises.com/2022FriendsOfGraveleyFOG>

Class 3 enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Verulamium Museum in St. Albans on Wednesday. They took part in a fascinating Roman workshop and enjoyed exploring the museum. Mrs Stead and Mrs Dynes were really proud of how well they behaved and the inquisitive questions they asked the curator.

Both Class 1 and 2 have had a brilliant time this week investigating worms and mealworms in their Science lessons. They've been excited, motivated and very engaged to learn all about them; their habitats, their senses, and life cycles. These lessons are taken from Cornerstones, the new curriculum resource we are using to support in delivering the wider National Curriculum. Further information about this can be found on the 'Curriculum' section of our school website.



A few reminders from the school office:

- Please could you check and top up your junior child's Meal account in Arbor. There are quite a few accounts with money owing (this could be due to Junior meals taken or breakfast club bookings). Any difficulties, please drop by the school office or email: admin@graveley.herts.sch.uk
- Year 6 parents - please could you let us know your lunch order for the Y6 Leavers Lunch, to allow Gemma time to order what is needed.

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 - 5

Numbots

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

Combined results for the last 14 days:

1st place - Caitlyn

2nd place - Alfie

3rd place - Jesse

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Andrews

Deputy Headteacher

Class 1 News

In Class One the children have been writing letters to Mrs Hand, to suggest positive contributions they could make to the school community. In Maths they have enjoyed learning all about money and coins. The absolute highlight of the week was welcoming the Class Worms to the classroom. The children have loved 'getting to know them' and have engaged in some brilliant scientific enquiry, exploring whether or not worms have senses.

Class 2 News

In English this week, the Class Two children have been writing their 'Monsters Guide' based on the exciting book we've been studying. They loved popping into Class One on Wednesday to share with the younger children what they'd written. In Maths they have been working hard to revise the strategies for addition and subtraction. Like Class One, the Class Two pupils have loved investigating the mealworms that have come to join the class. They created individual habitats for them (and named them!) and are now observing the different stages of their life cycle.

Class 3 News

As mentioned above, Class Three had a fantastic trip to Verulamium on Wednesday, it really enhanced and supported the learning they have been doing in their History lessons. There have been lots of 'Best trip ever!' comments heard by staff in the last couple of days. In English they have been drafting thank you letters, which will be sent off next week to the museum and in Maths they have been developing their multiplication skills. They are also continuing to enjoy their weekly swimming lessons.

Class 4 News

Class Four have worked hard this week to plan and write balanced arguments focused on the question 'Should the school day be extended to 8 hours to allow more time for Music, PE, Art and Computing?'. They had some fantastic ideas and thoughts. In Maths they have been using a variety of methods to solve mathematical mystery problems. They've also been interested to explore and learn about the different roles of men and women in ancient Athens.

Some dates for the diary:

- Wednesday 13th July - Year 6 Celebration Evening of Song (further details nearer the time).
- Friday 15th July - Y6 afterschool BBQ (further details nearer the time).
- Tuesday 19th July (am) - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at St Mary's Church (school only); 12:30pm - Year 6 Leavers' Lunch and Assembly (letters sent out).
- Wednesday 20th July - break up for the summer (early finish - exact times t.b.c.).

"With God, all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26