

# Glade News

Issue 8

Monday 31st October 2016

## Stars of the week

Stars of the Week for last week were:

Jack Holmes	Angelika Maciuszek
Damien Wardley-Mitson	Harry Bingham
Nathanael Parish	Leisha Reddick
Kale Asuncion	Wiktoria Lach
Samuel MacGregor-Canon	Roxie Hendry
Oscar Watts	David Stilgoe
Freya Hodder	Taylor Airdrie
Archie Granger	Alfie O'Connor
Oliver Jurczak	Charlie McDermott
Leila Lancaster	Filip Gajewski



## Teampoints

Last week's results were:

1st: Red	2nd: Blue
3rd: Yellow	4th: Green

**Well done to Red team for winning the week.**

## Parents' Forum

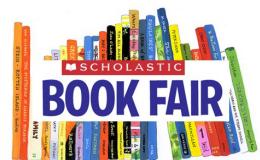
On **Wednesday 2nd November**, there will be a Parent Forum at **9am**. Topics on the agenda are:

- Keeping parents updated about pupil progress
- Homework
- Classroom visits
- Involving parents in school life
- Planning for a "Big Dream Day"

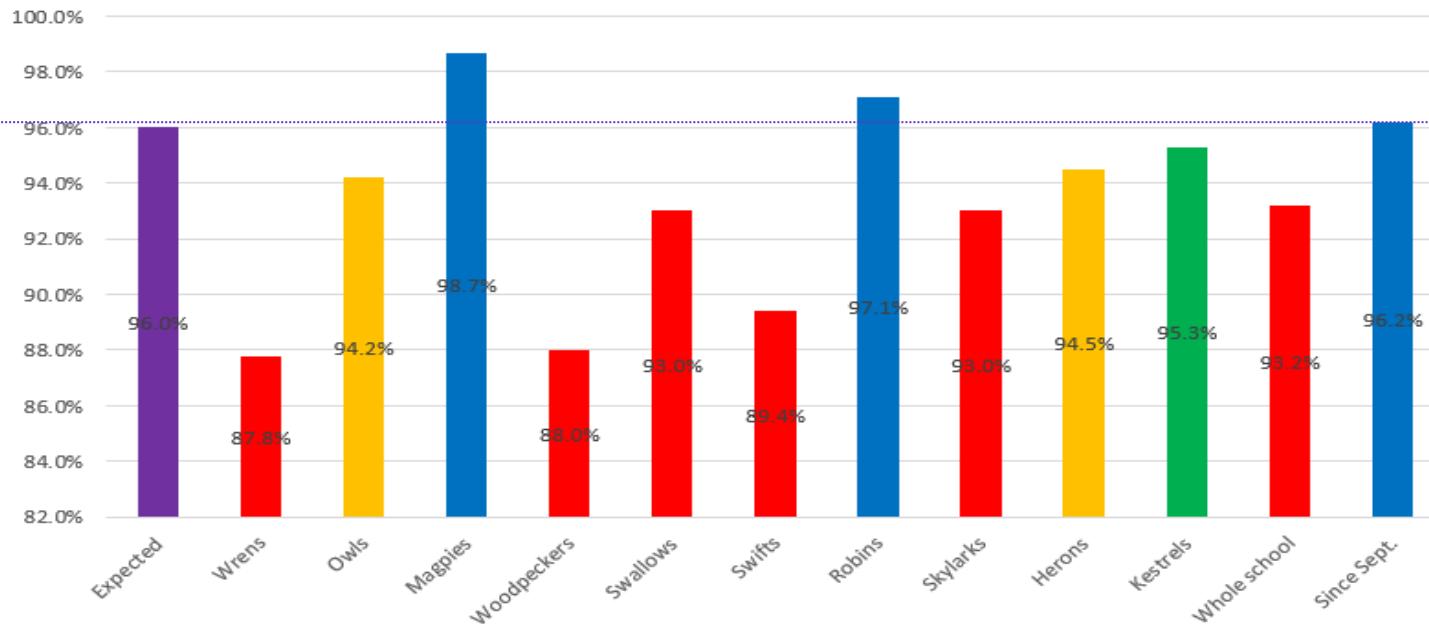
## Parents' Evening + Book Fair

Parents' Evenings are on **Wednesday** (3.30pm-7.00pm) and **Thursday** (3.30pm-5.30pm). Appointments can be booked via ParentMail.

The Book Fair will be at school on both days, so please drop by and make a purchase or two!



## Attendance



## Playground equipment

Please can parents make sure that younger children do not use the climbing frames or trim trail before or after school. These pieces of equipment are for school use only, not for visitors.

Similarly, please can parents ensure that they and their children do not walk across the flower beds around the new extension. A lot of money was spent, planting these to give the children a nice looking environment, and plants are being damaged by children and their parents taking short cuts. Please use the paths and keep off the flowers!



## Wrens & Owls

From **Monday 31st October**, children from Wrens and Owls will line up on the playground before school, rather than coming round to the classroom with their parents.

Children should line up on the path by the blue double doors. This is at the back of the main school building. Early Years staff will be there to help on the first morning back. Teachers will collect their classes when the bell goes and lead the children into school.

Please could parents stand on the grass area near the path and not block access for other classes.



## Advance Diary Dates

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**  
**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January**

Term starts  
SEN consultations  
Parents' Evening (3.30pm – 7.00pm)  
Parents' Evening (3.30pm – 5.30pm)  
Friends of Glade Quiz Night  
Christmas Jumper day  
Tree decorating assembly  
Christmas Fair (4pm – 6pm)  
School disco  
Term ends  
Term starts

## Spellings

From week commencing 31/10/16, each child in KS2 will be given a daily spelling practice book in which to write out their spelling "Learn Its" each day. The class teacher/ TA will check the practice has been completed but parents will need to check spellings have been written out correctly. A slip of paper with spellings to be practised will be stuck in children's practice books. They will record their score on their weekly spellings so you can find out how they did on their tests.

## Geography Challenge

Don't forget the Geography Challenge that your child should have brought home recently. We've extended the closing date until the Monday we return from half term (31st October).

KS1 should choose one of the pictures from the sheet of British landmarks provided, draw their representation of the landmarks and write a paragraph about it.

KS2 have 2 different challenges. They can do either or even do both!

Challenge 1 is to identify all the famous UK landmarks.

Challenge 2 is to choose one of the landmarks and create an A4 factfile/information sheet about it.

The photos and more information have been uploaded to our Facebook page.



## Safeguarding

At Glade Primary School we are committed to supporting all of our children to do well. We will do everything we can to ensure our children are safeguarded and protected from harm. Every child has the right to be safe from harm and danger. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure every child is free from fear and able to learn and develop in safe, secure environments.

We have a duty to ensure that all children at Glade are kept safe. Sometimes children tell us things that make us believe that they are not safe. If this happens we are obliged to take the matter further and refer to Children and Young Peoples Services (CYP). The highly trained professionals at CYP then look into the matter to find out what has happened and what needs to happen to improve the safety and wellbeing of the child. This involves the parents and school working with CYP.

All schools have a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) who is responsible for Safeguarding. The DSL at Glade is Mr Smith, the Headteacher. The Alternate DSLs are Mrs Close and Mrs Vincent. The Chair of Governors is Mrs Pamela Pickard and she is also the named safeguarding governor. She can be contacted via the school office.

### Why do we give out this information?

This is so parents and carers know what we must do if we are worried about a child or young person.

### What is child abuse?

A child is abuse when a parent, carer, other family member or another adult known to the child deliberately causes harm, neglects or fails to protect their child from harm. Harm may be physical, sexual, emotional or may take the form of neglect.

### Why would we make a referral to Children & Young People's Services?

All schools have a duty to refer cases of suspected child abuse to Children's Services. If someone at our school sees an unusual or unexplained injury or mark, if your child has said something worrying to us, perhaps someone has reported something your child has said or if their behaviour is particularly out of the ordinary, we are required to make a referral. Children's Services are also able to help children and their families if a referral has been made and abuse is not evident but there are concerns that mean additional support might be needed. Every school is required to help CYP with their assessments but must not conduct any investigations themselves. This can only be done by social workers and/or police officers.

### We have made a referral but you don't agree with it.....

If we think your child has possibly been abused we don't have to seek your agreement for the referral to be made. However, it is always better for your child if we can work together. We will, wherever possible, discuss the referral with you and also let you know it has been made.

### What will happen next?

When a referral is made an experienced and qualified social work manager will read the information and decide what needs to happen next. They will be assisted by other agencies that you know, for example, school nurse, GP, health visitor or school. After an assessment has been completed a meeting called a child protection conference might be held – you will be invited to this. This meeting will only be called if the assessment shows that there is a likelihood that child abuse has or is taking place. If the assessment does not show this you will be told.

Children's Services may decide that they can still provide a service or will know of other agencies in your area that will be able to offer you some support. You may feel angry, upset or worried because we have made a referral. Please try to understand that every member of staff has a responsibility to act in the best interests of all of our children all of the time and are not allowed to take any risks if a child's safety is of concern.



## Safeguarding (cont.)

### Will my child be taken away?

It is very unusual for children to be taken away from their parents or carers. A child will only be removed if there is absolutely no other way of keeping them safe. The Children's Act says everything possible must be done to help parents look after their children at home.

### Why are we involved with safeguarding?

The Children's Act 1989 requires everyone working with children to inform Children's Services about any child thought to be in need of support or at risk of harm. The Education Act 2002 requires all schools to have arrangements to safeguard the children. We have procedures in place to do this and a policy that all staff, volunteers and regular visitors must work to. You can also request a copy of this from the school office.

### How you can work in partnership with us.....

Children will get the most out of their education when we all work together on every issue. This means that both school and home have to have good communication links. Please let us know about anything that might affect your child, we might be able to help. Let us know if your child has a medical condition or has had an accident. Also, please let us know if your child will not be coming into school by ringing us on the first day they are absent. If you move house or out of the area and don't need your place at our school please let us know this too.

### What can you expect from us?

- A safe environment for your child to learn that complies with safeguarding in education legislation and guidance.
- We will take good care of your child whilst they are with us. We will talk to you about anything we see that we are worried about.
- We will keep accurate up to date records.
- If your child transfers to another school we will share important information with them that will help to support your child's move.
- We will contact you if your child is absent and you haven't let us know why.
- We will respond promptly to any problem you tell us about.
- Our staff will offer support and assistance when needed.

For more information on safeguarding in Suffolk visit [www.suffolkscb.org.uk](http://www.suffolkscb.org.uk)

## Collecting children

Please ensure that we know who is due to collect your child.

If an adult comes to collect your child and they are not on the emergency contact list, we will not let them take your child.

If this happens we will try to contact you to get permission for that adult to take your child. If we cannot contact you we will have to contact Social Services or the police to take responsibility for your child.

We do this to keep your child safe. If you are sending another adult to collect your child, please contact the school office so that we know about them.

