



Weekly Update

Friday 10th September

Special Visitors in School This Week

This week I invited members of our Local Advisory Board to see our school in action. It was lovely to finally be able to welcome them into school, in a covid safe way, and for them to see the amazing teaching and learning that happens here at GHPS.

Message from Lindsey Bowden (Chair of Local Advisory Board)

The Local Advisory Board members (previously known as governors) had a visit to the school on Wednesday. It was an opportunity for the new members to see the school for the first time. It also gave a chance to see for ourselves the work that is discussed at our meetings.

We found a calm and purposeful class environment across all the year groups and witnessed happy, well-behaved children enjoying their break time. We also had the opportunity to talk to children of all ages to find out what their experience of being a pupil at GHPS was like. We discussed many topics including Zones of Regulation and how it works, feeling safe in school and who to talk to if the children had a concern, were shown books and work the children were tasked with, and answered questions about who we were and what we were doing in school. We were also able to see how adjustments were made to allow all the children to access the curriculum equally.

It was a pleasure to see how much the school has progressed over recent years.

Our thanks go to all the pupils and staff today for making us so welcome.

All COVID 19 protocols were followed during our visit.

Best wishes,

Lindsey Bowden,

On behalf of the Local Advisory Board.

Site Safety

A few reminders please ...

- Please keep children with you– walking sensibly together when on site.
- No children are to use the play equipment please.
- Please keep 2m distance from class doors and staff – you don't want your child's teacher having to self-isolate!

Bikes and Scooters

If you have younger children who bring their bikes and scooters into our bike sheds, can you please make sure they are accompanied and supervised by an adult when doing so. There are several cars on and off our school site at the beginning and end of the school day, so please support us in keeping everyone safe. We would strongly recommend locking bikes when left.

Thank you for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R Ferris".

Richard Ferris
Headteacher

Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Falcons (99.3%)

2nd Place – Foxes (98.3%)

3rd Place – Hawks (96.2%)



SAY CHEESE!



School Photographs

Our photographer will be in school on Wednesday 22nd September (individual photos) and Thursday 23rd September (sibling photos).

School Lunches

School lunches **must** now be ordered online. If you are having any problems with the system or need another copy of your account activation letter, please email the school office who will be able to assist you.

Dates for your Diary

We will soon be sending out a list of upcoming dates for your diary (or fridge!) We will also share the list on our website and will update it regularly.

In the meantime, please note the following upcoming dates in our calendar this month:

Monday 13th – Year 1/2 Superhero Dress-up Day ([click here for parent letter](#))

Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th – Author visit to Years 5&6 (Paul Nolan)

Tuesday 21st – Year 3&4 Ancient Greek Day ([click here for parent letter](#))

Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd – School Photos

Tuesday 28th – Open Event for Parents with children starting school in September 2022 ([click here for more information](#))

Also on Tuesday 28th – Reception 'Busy Bags' Family Learning Session (1.45pm-3.00pm)

Thinking and Learning Together
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