

# Great Hollands Primary School is a "Great Place to Learn"



**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I am delighted to share the finalised Ofsted report following their visit in November. As you will see, they recognised our amazing transformation over the past few years and have awarded the school a judgement of GOOD in all areas. This is an amazing judgement, which moves the school up a full two categories. When you read the report, I hope you recognise what I see every day ... that we are not just a GOOD school but a GREAT one.

I am so proud of the children and the amazing team we have here at Great Hollands Primary School and I hope that you will share in the pride that your child gets to go a truly incredible school. Huge congratulations to all!

#### Highlights from the report include:

"Great Hollands Primary School is a great place to learn"

"The headteacher, senior leaders and Maiden Erlegh Trust have transformed the school"

"Pupils love learning 'new things' and work hard to meet teachers' high expectations"

Pupils have good attitudes to learning and learn how to take responsibility for themselves and their behaviour."

"Relationships between pupils and adults are a strength of the school.

"All staff have high expectations of pupils' behaviour and are consistent in their approach.

"The curriculum is well designed to enable pupils to build on their previous learning"

"Leaders are keen that pupils learn about developing appropriate relationships, keeping themselves safe and looking after their physical and mental well-being."

"Pupils understand and are respectful of the differences between different faiths and different people."

Have a GREAT weekend, all the very best.



Richard Ferris Headteacher

#### **Attendance Stars**



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Hedgehogs (100%)

2nd Place – Foxes (98.4%)

3rd Place – Falcons (97.8%)



#### **House Points**

House points have been totaled up across the school and the winners this week are **RUBY** with **271** house points! Well done to everyone in Ruby, GREAT work!

## Important Reminder – Dropping off and Collecting Children

Please remember that all children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 must be brought to and collected from their classroom doors by an adult or person over the age of 16.

### **Updated Inset Days for 2022**

Today, we have also sent out updated term dates for this academic year. Unfortunately, we have had to change these to accommodate changes to the phonics screening testing timetable set by the government.

The letter regarding these changes, including an updated calendar for your fridge can be found via this link – Updated Inset Days for 2022.

### Mini Winter Challenge from the Library

The Wild World Heroes Winter Mini Challenge is still ongoing and there is still time to complete the challenge. Join them as they embark on an Arctic adventure to find out about the creatures that live there.

Taking part in the Winter Mini Challenge is simple. Children can read at least three books between **1st December** and **16th January** and add them to their online profile at www.wintermini.org.uk to unlock the special virtual badge and certificate.

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