



Achieving Excellence Together

9th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 pupils have been working incredibly hard in preparation for their upcoming SATs examinations. We wish them the very best of luck next week. They've truly risen to the challenge!

Later in this week's newsletter, you will find a link from Mrs Sparrow, our Vice Principal, inviting you to complete a short survey about homework. Your feedback is extremely valuable to us, and I would be grateful if you could spare just five minutes to share your thoughts.

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce the dates for our end-of-year celebration assemblies. These special events are a wonderful opportunity for each year group to showcase their learning and talents from across the year. We will also be awarding our traditional end-of-year medals in the following categories: English, The Arts, Mathematics, Physical Education, and for demonstrating our school values.

The dates for each year group's celebration assembly are as follows:

- **Year 3** – Friday 11th July at 14:30
- **Early Years** – Tuesday 15th July at 09:15
- **Year 1** – Tuesday 15th July at 14:30
- **Year 5** – Thursday 17th July at 09:15
- **Year 2** – Thursday 17th July at 14:30
- **Year 4** – Monday 21st July at 09:15
- **Year 6** - Leavers Assembly to Parents – Monday 21st July at 14:00

We warmly invite all parents and carers to attend these assemblies and join us in celebrating the achievements of our children.

Readopoly Winners Spring Term 2

Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Sienna	Eddie	Magda	Lucas	Saoirse	Harry	Mason
Sunbear	Elephant	Giraffe	Leopard	Butterfly	Tiger	Dolphin
Adam	Darcey	Saira	Jannisha	George	Eleanor	Mustafa



Maths Coffee Morning

Next Friday, 16th May is our Coffee morning focusing on Maths. All parents are welcome to come along at 9am in the school hall.

Homework at Hadrian

We are planning to update our homework policy by the end of the summer term, having collected as many views from our school community as possible.

What should homework look like for Hadrian Academy children?

In 2018, the government of the time removed the specifications around how much homework should be given in primary schools, so there is no guidance to adhere to.

However, as educators we recognise the power of **practice** and **reinforcement** outside of the school day and the [EEF](#) report that completing regular homework does have a positive impact (+3 months.) However, in our busy lives we know that homework can be squeezed out or become a burden.

As a school, we have been trialling some new online resources to help with this and would like to reflect these in the update of our homework policy. We also recognise the impact it has on creating positive learning habits ahead of moving to secondary school.

It will be incredibly hard to suit everyone, but with your views we hope we can provide a policy which takes everyone's ideas into account.

Please use this link to access the questions:

<https://participate.schoolsurveys.com/q2Kvw10k9gZzRvvN>

Thank you in advance for your feedback.

School Business Manager vacancy at Hadrian Academy

Mrs. Joanna Loisel, our School Business Manager, will be leaving Hadrian Academy in June after fourteen years of dedicated service. Mrs. Loisel has been an invaluable member of our team, and she will be greatly missed by both staff and pupils. We wish her all the best in her new role at another school.

We are currently recruiting for a new School Business Manager, and an advert has been published today. Full details about the position can be found by following this link:

<https://mynewterm.com/school/Hadrian-Academy/137778>

The closing date for applications is **Saturday, 31st May**, with interviews scheduled for the week commencing **2nd June**. If you would like to learn more about the role or arrange a tour of the school, please feel free to contact Mrs. Loisel.

House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	31
St. David	59
St. George	39
St. Andrew	17

Overall points since the start of the school year:



Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Rhino class with 99.2%

Dolphin class with 99%

Tiger class with 97.8%

The whole school average attendance this week is **95.8%**.

Finally, we're excited to share this week's stars below who have shown one of our school values in action – congratulations to them all!

Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Miki Respectful	Oliver Ambitious	Elijah Resilient	Prithiv Ambitious		Luca Ambitious	Riley Resilience & Ready to learn
Sunbear	Elephant	Giraffe	Leopard	Butterfly	Tiger	Dolphin
Adam Kindness to others	Charlie Ambitious with learning	Matthew Ready to learn	Jensen Ready to learn	Cairan Ambitious and Ready	Oakley Respectful	Theo Resilience

Have a great weekend.

Mr Griffin

Principal

Celebration Assembly



Dates for your Diary

Mon 12 th – Thur 15 th May	Year 6 SATs Week	Yr 6	
Fri 16 th May	FOHA – Break the Rules Day	All	Details attached
Fri 16 th May	Coffee Morning – Maths	All	All are welcome to come along and join us in the school hall
Mon 19 th May	Whipsnade Zoo	Yr 6	Full details and payment via ParentMail
Tues 20 th May	Teaching Talons visiting Hadrian	Yr R, 1&2	Full details and payment via ParentMail
Fri 23 rd May	Whole Class Photo – Tempest	All	Smartest uniform for class photo
Tues 3 rd & Wed 4 th June	FOHA Father's Day Workshop		Details to follow
Fri 13 th June	Coffee Morning – Reading	All	All are welcome to come along and join us in the school hall
Mon 9 th Jun – Fri 13 th Jun	Action4Youth - Caldecotte	Yr 6	All payments to be made via ParentMail
Thut 19 th June	Whipsnade Zoo Visit	Yr 1	Details to follow
Tues 24 th June	Whipsnade Zoo Visit	Yr R	Full details and payment via ParentMail
Mon 7 th Jul	Whipsnade Zoo Visit	Yr5	Full details and payment via ParentMail
Thu 10 th Jul	Sports day – Stockwood Park	Yr 3&4	Details to follow
Fri 11 th Jul	Year 3 Celebration Assembly	Yr 3	Starts 14:30
Mon 14 th Jul	Sports day – Stockwood Park	Yr 5&6	Details to follow
Tues 15 th Jul	Early Year Celebration Assembly	Yr R	Starts 9:15
Tues 15 th Jul	Year 1 Celebration Assembly	Yr 1	Starts 14:30
Wed 16 th Jul	Year 6 Leavers Party 4.30pm – 6pm	Yr 6	Details to follow
Thur 17 th Jul	Year 5 Celebration Assembly	Yr 5	Starts 9:15
Thur 17th Jul	Year 2 Celebration Assembly	Yr 2	Starts 14:30
Fri 18 th Jul	Friends of Hadrian Academy FOHA AGM	All	All are welcome to come along and join us in the school hall
Mon 21 st Jul	Year 4 Celebration Assembly	Yr 4	Starts 9:15
Mon 21st Jul	Year 6 Leavers Assembly to Parents	Yr 6	Starts 14:00

Safeguarding

Please contact Mr Griffin, Mrs Auker, Mr Roxburgh, Mrs Sparrow or Mrs Norris should you have any safeguarding concerns.

Click onto [this link](#) for further details on our school website.

Safeguarding

We want all children and families at Hadrian Academy to have happy, safe lives. The following are useful links about where to seek help and support if you are worried about your own, or another child/young person's safety:

Reporting a concern:



Escalating your concerns further:



NSPCC - Keeping children safe



Mental Health Support

Central Bedfordshire Mental Health Support Teams Mental health services and resources for Children and Young People (CYP) collated by the MHSTs across Central Bedfordshire.

[Parent / Carer Padlet](#)



[Children and Young People](#)



[CAMHS](#)





break the rules

FRIDAY 16TH MAY 2025

For one day only children at Hadrian Academy can break any of the rules below.

There is a 50p/£1 'fine' per each rule broken.

HOW MANY RULES WILL YOU BREAK?!

- Wear make-up
- Eat your snacks in class
- Bring in a soft toy or teddy
- Wear nail varnish or press-on nails
- Wear jewellery (no hooped earrings)
- Bring in Pokémon and football cards
- Dye your hair/ wear a wig / crazy hair day
- Bring in a cushion or blanket for your chair
- Have one sweet treat for snack time (no lollies)

The rules below are £1.00

- Wear pjs and slippers
- Wear non-uniform or football kit

PAYMENTS

Cash payments to be given to your child's class teacher. We kindly ask for the correct amount of money for the rules your child breaks as no change will be given.

