



## Achieving Excellence Together

8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to inform you that from 1<sup>st</sup> January the school will have a new SENCo. The school has appointed Mr Roxburgh from Emerson Valley School in Milton Keynes. Mr Roxburgh has extensive experience of working with SEND children both in the UK and in China; he is passionate about making sure that all children have the same chances and learning opportunities.

Mr Roxburgh's appointment as the new Assistant Principal and SENCo will further strengthen the leadership of the school following the appointment of Mrs Sparrow as our new Vice Principal for Teaching and Learning.

From January, the new-look school leadership structure will be as follows:

Mr Griffin – Principal			
Mrs Auker – Vice Principal (Pastoral Lead)	Mrs Sparrow – Vice Principal (Teaching and Learning)	Mr Roxburgh – Assistant Principal (SENCo and Safeguarding Lead)	Mrs Loisel – School Business Manager

### Getting ready for Christmas

We have six weeks to go until the Christmas holidays and I want to give families as much notice as possible about events coming up so you can put these dates into your diaries.

### Christmas Productions

This year, Early Years, Year One and Year Two will present their Christmas Productions to you on the same day! These year groups will perform on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December in the morning meaning that it is easier to attend if you have children in different year groups. The timings will be as follows:

Early Years 09:15

Year One 10:15

Year Two 11:15

Our new 'FOHA' Parent Teacher Association will be serving mince pies and refreshments in the school library before each performance.

### Next Friends of Hadrian Academy (FOHA) Meeting- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November: 9am, 2pm or 7pm

"Our newly formed team, who have recently taken over from the wonderful AHA of Abbie and Sara, would love to warmly invite all parents to come and join us as we put together plans to work alongside the school in creating amazing experiences for all of our children. We have so many exciting ideas which will not be possible to implement without your support! Please do make the effort to come along if you can and share in discussion with us! We look forward to seeing you there."

## Christmas Disco

The first official event of the newly formed Friends of Hadrian Academy 'FOHA' will be the Christmas Disco on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## AHA Treasurer

We are looking for someone with financial or administrative expertise to take on the treasurer role for FOHA. If you are interested, please notify the school office.

## ASDA Rewards App

The ASDA Rewards App is a quick and easy way to raise money for the school. All you have to do is download the app, make an account and click on 'cash pots for schools.' You will raise £1 for the school by joining and then raise additional money for the school every time you shop.

## Next Muffi Day & Fundraising 2024-2025

We will be having a Muffi Day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Children will be asked to bring in a £1 donation. 50% of proceeds will go towards the 'Save the Children' with the other 50% being used to fundraise for the school.

*This year, the school are raising funds to buy new and improved playground equipment and to help create an amazing nurture environment in the hub. We want to transform the hub into a fantastic learning and supportive environment for children and young people to develop social and emotional skills, build confidence and learn positive behaviours.*

## Christmas Jumper Day

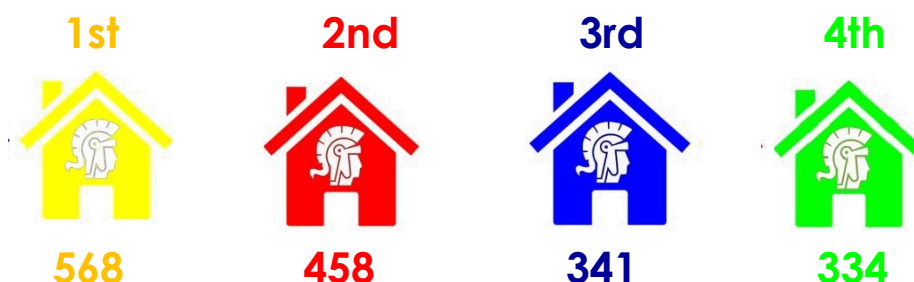
This year, we will be having our Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Christmas dinner will take place on this day as well.

## House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	52
St. David	99
St. George	70
St. Andrew	33

Overall points since the start of the school year:



## Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Honeybee class with 100%

Leopard class with 100%

Dolphin class with 100%

The whole school average attendance this week is **96.18%**.

Mr Griffin

## Dates for your Diary

Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Starting School in 2025? School tour 9.30 – 10.30		For children born between 1 <sup>st</sup> Sep 2020 and 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2021
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Friends of Hadrian Academy 9am School Library 2pm School Library 7pm Halfway House	All	Our newly formed team invites all parents to come along and join us to look at our new initiatives for the children
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	FOHA Mufti Day £1 donation Save the Children & school fundraiser	All	Details to follow
Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	L&D Hospital Tree Lighting Ceremony	KS2 Choir	Details to follow
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Starting School in 2025? School tour 9.30 – 10.30		For children born between 1 <sup>st</sup> Sep 2020 and 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2021
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Panto at School	All	
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	FOHA Christmas Disco	All	Details to follow
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Inter-House Festival of Running	All	Details to follow
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year R Christmas Production 9.15am	Year R	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 1 Christmas Production 10.15am	Year 1	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 1 Christmas Production 11.15am	Year 2	
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1pm – 2.30pm	Choir to sign at Luton Airport	Choir	Details to follow
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec All day	<b>Christmas Jumper Day</b>	ALL	All children invited to come to school wearing their Christmas jumper
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Christmas Dinner</b>	ALL	Book your child's meal via your ParentPay account

Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School finishes after lunch at 1.30pm	ALL	
School closed for Christmas 23rd Dec – 3rd Jan 2025			
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Teacher training day	ALL	School Closed
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Choir to sing at Young Voices	Full	
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun – Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Kingswood Residential, West Runton	Yr 6	All payments to be made via ParentMail

Diary dates can also be found on our website by clicking [here](#).



Friends Of Hadrian Academy

# COMMITTEE MEETING

Our newly formed team would like to invite as many parents as possible to come and join us as we look to plan exciting initiatives for our children.



Meet other parents



Find out what is coming up soon and how you can help



Share your ideas

## Wednesday 27th November

There will be three sessions in order to accommodate as many parents as possible. Please come along to the most convenient time for you.

9:00am

In school library

2:00pm

In school library

7:00pm

At Halfway House  
350 Luton Rd, Dunstable  
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# Hadrian Academy

Achieving Excellence Together  
Primary Success with Top Progress  
**Starting School in  
September 2025**



Our vision at Hadrian Academy is to provide a school of excellence where every child is encouraged and supported to reach their full potential.

In September 2023 we were visited by OFSTED and we maintained our 'GOOD' rating. OFSTED commented that Pupils love learning and there is a great team ethos... Pupils play well together and show kindness, they take responsibility for themselves... Pupils have high ambitions for themselves and others and work hard.

We offer a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities. In recent years, the school has achieved the School Games Mark Gold, Sing-Up-Platinum Award and Arts Mark Gold Award.

**Admissions for children starting School 2025 is now open.**

**Our open mornings are Fridays on 4th October, 18th October, 15th November and 6th December at 9.30am.**

These drop in sessions are open to all and no appointments are required.

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Central Bedfordshire

**great**  
prospects

**Was your child born between  
1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?**

**They will start school in September 2025, so you  
need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2025.**

 **Apply online at** [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions)

You can also complete a paper application form which is available from your local school  
or by contacting School Admissions  [admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk)  0300 300 8037

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