

Achieving Excellence Together

29th November 2024

Dear Parents

Cool Kids Club Vacancy – To start in January

Hadrian Academy has an exciting opportunity for a committed Cool Kids Club Support Assistant to join a vibrant team of enthusiastic, hardworking individuals. We would love you to take your place with us in this fantastic role!

The role would involve working mornings on a Monday and Wednesday from 07.30 to 08.45 and after school on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 15.15 to 17.30.

If you are interested in this role, please contact the school office and ask to speak to Joanna Loisel, School Business Manager, to find out more.

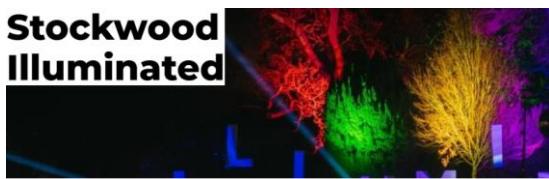
Remembrance Day

Thank you to all parents for your kind donations to the Poppy Appeal which raised £409.39 towards a very good cause.



Stockwood Illuminated

Year 5 have been incredibly busy this week decorating tealight jars for [Stockwood Illuminated](#) which runs from the 13th December. Tickets purchased this weekend have 10% off as part of a Black Friday deal.



PUPIL PREMIUM IS MORE THAN JUST FREE SCHOOL MEALS

At Hadrian Academy, we recognise that all pupils regardless of their background should have equal access to a curriculum which will enable them to reach their full potential. The pupil premium is a Government initiative that targets extra money to pupils from deprived backgrounds. Research shows that many of these pupils underachieve, compared to their peers.

Qualifying benefits for free school meals

The qualifying benefits for free school meals are:

- Universal Credit (if your annual net earned income is no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (if you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual gross income is no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

The Government uses pupils entitled to Free School meals as an indicator for deprivation, this year Hadrian Academy will receive £1,480 per pupil, based on the number of pupils eligible for Free School meals.

At Hadrian we use the extra funding in a variety of ways to improve the quality of our children's education and to employ strategies that will support these pupils to increase their attainment, overcome any barriers to learning. This could include improving attendance, supporting emotional well-being, narrowing attainment gaps or providing enhancement opportunities to the curriculum, additional training for staff or employing additional staff to help us meet all of our children's needs.

Therefore, we ask that any PARENTS / GUARDIANS who think that they may be eligible, please apply by calling **0300 300 8306**. Further details can be found on their website <https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals>



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You may be eligible for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium if you are in receipt of certain welfare benefits. If you think you may be eligible, contact Central Beds by phoning **0300 300 8306**. More details can be found at <https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

Did you know

We will receive extra funding for every eligible pupil who is registered!

If your child has a packed lunch or if your child is in EYFS or Key Stage 1 you can still apply

Benefits of Pupil Premium for your child:

- Free daily school meal. This can save you **over £200 per child per academic year**
- 50% off school trips/residential
- 20% off school uniform Logo items
- Discount is available to the Cool Kids before and after school Club
- Free daily carton of milk
- Discount on LAMDA



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Further details of Pupil Premium/FSM at Hadrian Academy can be found on our [school website](#)

Central Bedfordshire Council currently offers any child eligible for Free School Meals a supermarket voucher to help support during school holidays. [Click here](#) for more details.

Holiday activities and food (HAF) programme Central Bedfordshire

For more details [click here](#)

Physical Education Values Award

This week's winners are

Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
George B	Aria	Frankie	Anna	Leo	Blanka	Mason
Sunbear	Elephant	Giraffe	Leopard	Butterfly	Tiger	Dolphin
Adam	Dusty	Evelyn	Bailey	Emily	Sofia	Theo

House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	30
St. David	57
St. George	19
St. Andrew	26

Overall points since the start of the school year:



Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Sunbear class with 98.8%

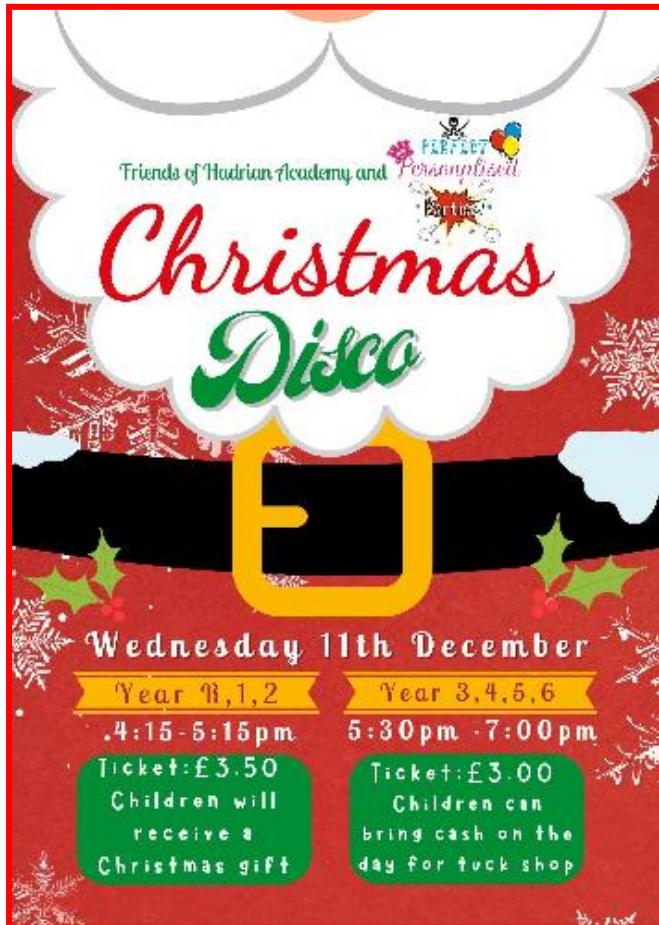
Giraffe class with 98.6%

Koala class with 98.3%

The whole school average attendance this week is **95.4%**.

Mr Griffin

Principal



Friday 13th December 2024

Running Festival

Every child will be given 10 minutes during the school day to complete as many laps as they can around the school multicoloured track.

For each lap a child completes they will earn one house point!

I wonder if you are able to complete the most in your year group?
The house that wins the most house points will be the Autumn term winners of the sports trophy cup.



Dates for your Diary

Thu 5 th Dec	L&D Hospital Tree Lighting Ceremony	KS2 Choir	Details to follow
Fri 6 th Dec	Starting School in 2025? School tour 9.30 – 10.30		For children born between 1 st Sep 2020 and 31 st Aug 2021
Tues 10 th Dec	Panto at School in the afternoon	All	
Wed 11 th Dec	Choir to sing at Amazon	KS2 Choir	Details sent by ParentMail
Wed 11 th Dec	FOHA Christmas Disco Yr R, 1&2 4.15pm – 5.15pm Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 5.30pm – 7.00pm	All	Full details have been sent via Class Dojo
Fri 13 th Dec	Inter-House Festival of Running	All	
Tues 17th Dec	Year R Christmas Production 9.15am	Yr R	
Tues 17th Dec	Year 1 Christmas Production 10.15am	Yr 1	
Tues 17th Dec	Year 2 Christmas Production 11.15am	Yr 2	
Wed 18 th Dec 1pm – 2.30pm	Choir to sign at Luton Airport	KS2 Choir	Details to follow
Thu 19 th Dec All day	Christmas Jumper Day	ALL	All children invited to come to school wearing their Christmas jumper
Thu 19 th Dec	Christmas Dinner	ALL	Book your child's meal via your ParentPay account
Fri 20 th Dec	School finishes after lunch at 1.30pm	ALL	
School closed for Christmas 23rd Dec – 3rd Jan 2025			
Mon 6 th Jan	Teacher Training Day	ALL	School Closed
Fri 17 th Jan 9.00am – 9.30am	Coffee Morning	ALL	Parents welcome to come long and meet with the new Senior Leadership Team
Mon 3 rd Feb	Choir to sing at Young Voices	Full	
Mon 23 rd Jun – Fri 27 th 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](#).

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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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**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

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

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