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Achieving Excellence Together

Dear Parents

Today we welcome back Mrs Slough to Hadrian Academy. Mrs Slough returns to Hadrian having been on maternity leave with her twin girls. We are very excited to have her back with us!

Mrs Slough will teach in Honeybee Class over the next few weeks before becoming the Panda Class Teacher later in the school year to cover Miss Murphy's maternity leave.

In other staffing news, I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Mackie achieved her PGCE grade and has been awarded a merit in addition to already having achieved her QTS. This is a fantastic achievement, well done Mrs Mackie!

Please can I remind all parents to book a parents evening time with your child's class teacher. These meetings are incredibly important as they will give you an opportunity to find out about your child's learning and how you can support them at home.

Our next Coffee Morning is two weeks today on Friday 14th February. Jo Dormer, the school's SEND Advisor is our guest speaker. There is no need to book a place, just keep this date free in your diaries.

Value of the Week

This week, the teachers have chosen the following pupils for showing attitude to their learning:

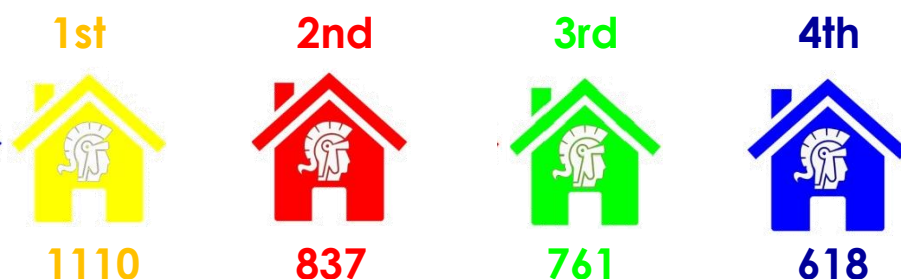
Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Haniya	Darcey	Remell	Hasan	Dollie	Viktoria	Lacey
George	Brody	Dominik	Mia	Leo	Luca	Alex
Sunbear	Elephant	Giraffe	Leopard	Butterfly	Tiger	Dolphin
Scarlett	Isabella	Elias	Olivia	Arabella	Leo	Bobbi
Lauren	Scarlett	Clay	Faizan	Inaaya	Mykal	Bonnie

House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	32
St. David	75
St. George	42
St. Andrew	23

Overall points since the start of the school year:



Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Leopard class with 98.9%

Koala class with 97.9%

Dolphin class with 97.2%

The whole school average attendance this week is **94.8%**.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Griffin

Celebration Assembly



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 Padlet](#)



Dates for your Diary

Mon 3 rd Feb	Choir to sing at 02 Young Voices	Full	
Mon 10 th Feb Tues 11 th Feb	Parents Evening – Sunbear 3.30pm – 6pm	Yr 3	Bookings open Mon 20 th Jan 4.30pm
Tues 11 th Feb Wed 12 th Feb	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm	Yr R, 1,2,4,5& 6	Bookings open Mon 20 th Jan 4.30pm
Tues 11 th Feb	Stockwood Park - Class Linking Project	Butterfly	Details sent via ParentMail
Thur 13 th Feb	Whipsnade Zoo	Yr 2	Details and payment via ParentMail
Fri 14 th Feb	SEND Coffee morning – Jo Dormer (SEND Advisor)	All	
Fri 14 th Feb	FOHA Valentines Cake Sale	All	Under the shelter on the playground
Tues 11 th Mar	National Space Centre	Year 5	Details and payment via ParentMail
Mon 17 th Mar	Stockwood Park - Class Linking Project D	Leopard	Details sent via ParentMail
24 th Mar – 4 th Apr	Sustrans Wheel and Walk to School	All	Details to follow
Wed 2 nd April	LAMDA Exams	Full	
Fri 23 rd May	Whole Class Photo - Tempest	All	
Mon 9 th Jun – Fri 13 th Jun	Action4Youth - Caldecotte	Yr 6	All payments to be made via ParentMail

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



GIFT AMNESTY



To all parents, staff and friends!

Can you help us raise funds for school this year?

Please send any unwanted gifts you may have that we could use as prizes for future events. Things such as gift sets, bottles, smellies etc! Any donations can be brought to the school office. Thank you in advance!




Please note all items must be new, unopened and have a long date.



Junior Sporting Academy February Half term Holiday sports and activity camp.

We are offering our fun filled, activity packed holiday camps at Lark Rise Primary Academy in Dunstable on Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February. These camps run from 8:30am - 3:30pm, costing £16 per day or £60 when the week is booked in full.

Below is the sign-up link:

<https://junior-sporting-academy.classforkids.io/>

Please see poster below for more information.

If you have any questions please call @07305 382086 or email juniorsportingacademy@gmail.com.

Many thanks
Daniel

Junior Sporting Academy Team

The poster is divided into two main sections. The top section has a dark blue background with the text 'PREPARING FOR OUR CAMP!' in large, bold, green letters. Below this, it says 'SOME THINGS YOUR CHILDREN WILL NEED AT OUR CAMP:' in white. A list of items follows: 'REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE', 'OUTDOOR FOOTWEAR', 'PACKED LUNCH (INCLUDING SNACK)', 'OUTDOOR CLOTHING (JACKETS/COATS)', and 'A BIG SMILE :)'. The bottom section has a dark blue background with the JSA logo at the top right. Below the logo is a QR code. At the bottom left, there is a green line drawing of a soccer ball. To the right of the ball, it says 'IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US VIA FACEBOOK, EMAIL OR INSTAGRAM'. At the bottom right, there are two cartoon characters, a boy and a girl, playing soccer. Below them are the social media handles: '@JUNIORSPORTINGACADEMY' for Instagram, Facebook, and Email, and 'JUNIORSPORTINGACADEMY@GMAIL.COM' for Email.

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PUPIL PREMIUM IS MORE THAN JUST FREE SCHOOL MEALS

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/residentials
- 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



**Hadrian
Academy**

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](#)

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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

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