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6th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here are a few details of upcoming events and important dates for your diary.

Remembrance Day

The whole school will be taking part in our Remembrance Day Assembly next Wednesday 11th November.

Children and parents can still purchase a traditional poppy at school, with a suggested donation of 50p. A selection of additional Poppy Appeal items is also available, including ruler snap bands, reflective poppies, bag tags and pencils. We suggest a minimum donation of £1.50 per item.

Children who are part of a uniformed organisation i.e. Scouts, Beavers, Guides, Brownie or Cadets are welcome to wear their uniform to school rather than school uniform. If it is your child's PE day, they will still need to bring their PE kit to change into for their PE lesson.

Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Productions

Year R, 1 and 2 are super excited for their Christmas performances this year! We would like to make sure you have all the details you need for the productions.

Year R will be performing on **Thursday 10th December at 9:15am.**

Year 1 will be performing on **Wednesday 9th December at 9:30am.**

Year 2 will be performing on **Friday 11th December at 9:30am.**

All families will have two seats in the audience to watch the production for their child's year group. Please notify your class teacher if you do not require both seats.

The performances will take place in the hall, so please arrive via the front office.

We are unable to provide a crèche for the performances. Where possible, we kindly ask that you avoid bringing younger children along. The children will have worked incredibly hard preparing for their performances, and we would love for them to have the opportunity to perform to an audience with as few distractions as possible. We really appreciate your understanding and support with this.

We look forward to sharing our performances with you all!

Flu-Vacination

Our flu vaccinations will take place on **Thursday 19th November** and will be available to all pupils across the school.

You should have received a consent link directly from the NHS. If you have not yet completed the consent form and would like your child to receive the vaccination, please refer to the information provided in the leaflets below for further details on how to give your consent.

FOHA Winter Disco and Mufti-Day

The FOHA are holding a Winter Disco on Friday 27th November. This will also be a Mufti-Day for the whole school. The FOHA are still looking for volunteers for both discos. Volunteers play a vital role to enable these events to take place. You can email foha@hadrianacademy.co.uk or sign up at PTA-Events when booking your child's ticket. Full details and how to pay are on the attached poster.

Yr R, 1&2 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30pm – 5.45pm

Star of the Week

This week, teachers have chosen the following children for demonstrating **eyes and ears ready to learn.**

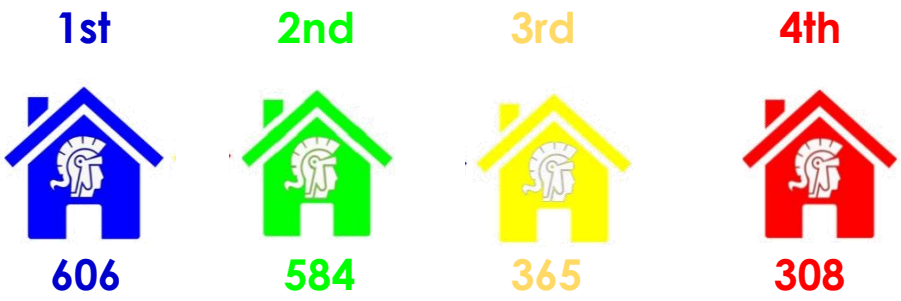
Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Owen	Esmee	Usman	Faith	Darcey A	Darcey	Remell
Sunbear	**Elephant**	**Giraffe**	**Leopard**	**Butterfly**	**Tiger**	**Dolphin**
Thiago	Zahra	Jessica	Tara	Ehsaan	Christabel	Kai

House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	53
St. Andrew	81
St. David	48
St. George	41

Overall points since the start of the school year:



Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Turtle class with 98.7%

Panda class with 98.6%

Rhino class with 98.0%

The whole school average attendance this week is **95.5%**

Have a great weekend.

Mr Griffin

Star of the Week KS1



Star of the Week KS2



Dates for your Diary			
Wed 11th Nov	Remembrance Day Assembly		Poppies and other Poppy appeal item available to purchase
Thur 12th Nov	Early Year Open Morning For children starting school in 2027		Applies to children born between 1/9/2022 and 31/8/2023
Mon 16th Nov	Odd Socks Day Anti-Bullying Week	All	Detaills to follow
Thur 19th Nov	Flu Vaccinations	All	Ful details below
Fri 27th Nov	FOHA - Mufti Day for the Whole School	All	
Fri 27th Nov	FOHA Winter Disco Yr R, 1&2 3.15pm – 4.15pm Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30pm – 5.45pm	All	Full details attached and forwarded via ParenMail
Tues 1st Dec	Shuttleworth Museum	Yr 6	Details and payments sent via ParentMail
Wed 2nd Dec	Portraits of the Past – Greek day	Yr 5	Details and payments sent via ParentMail
Thur 3rd Dec 9.00am	Coffee Morning – Reading Plus in KS2	KS2	Parents are welcome to come along
Fri 4th Dec	FOHA Christmas Cake Sale	All	Detials to follow
Wed 9th Dec 9.30am	**Year 1 Christmas Performance**	**Yr 1**	**Full details sent via ParentMail**
Thur 10th Dec 9.15am	**Year R Christmas Performance**	**Yr R**	**Full details sent via ParentMail**
Fri 11th Dec 9.30am	**Year 2 Christmas Performance**	**Yr R**	**Full details sent via ParentMail**
Mon 14th Dec	Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs at The gove Theatre	Yr1-6	Details and payments sent via ParentMail
Fri 18th Dec	School closes at 1.30pm	All	
Christmas Break 21st Dec – 1st January			
Mon 4th Jan	Teacher Training day School Closed	All	

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



VACCINATION UK

Flu Vaccination

Your questions answered...

🦠 What is flu?
Flu is more than just a bad cold. It is a highly infectious virus that can spread quickly in schools and families. Children often recover well, but flu can sometimes lead to serious illness, particularly in babies, older people and those with long-term health conditions.

Why is my child being offered the vaccine?
The vaccine helps to:
✔️ Protect your child from flu
✔️ Reduce serious illness and hospital admission
✔️ Reduce the spread of flu to family and friends
✔️ Help keep children in school and parents at work

What vaccine will my child receive?
Most children are offered the 👃 nasal spray vaccine, which is:
- quick
- painless
- needle free
- highly effective

Some children may be offered a **gelatine-free 💉 injectable vaccine** if the nasal spray is not suitable or if parents choose this option where available under the programme.

Is the vaccine safe?
Yes. Millions of children have safely received the NHS flu vaccine.

Can the vaccine give my child flu?
No. The flu vaccine **cannot cause flu.**
Some children may develop mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore arm or mild temperature while their immune system builds protection.

My child has asthma or an egg allergy.
Most children with asthma or egg allergy can still receive a flu vaccine.
Please tell the vaccination team about any medical conditions when completing your consent form.

My child has a cold.
A mild cold without a temperature is not usually a reason to delay vaccination.
If your child is unwell with a fever, the vaccination may be postponed.

Does the nasal spray contain pork gelatine?
The nasal spray contains a highly purified form of porcine gelatine, which is used to keep the vaccine stable.
A gelatine-free injectable flu vaccine is available. Please indicate this on the consent form or contact the immunisation team. ✉️

Why is the vaccine needed every year?
Flu viruses change every year. The vaccine is updated annually to provide the best protection against the strains expected each winter. ❤️

For more information about vaccines and our contact details please visit **www.schoolvaccination.uk** or scan the QR code

Part of the NHS School Aged Immunisation Service

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VACCINATION UK

MMR/MMRV Vaccination

Your questions answered...

What is the MMR/MMRV vaccine?
The MMR vaccine protects against measles, mumps and rubella. The MMRV vaccine also protects against chickenpox (varicella).

Why is my child being offered this vaccine?
These infections can cause serious illness and complications and are highly contagious. Vaccination is the safest and most effective way to protect your child.

Is the vaccine safe and does it cause autism?
MMR and MMRV vaccines have been used safely for many years and are closely monitored in the UK. Extensive scientific research has shown that there is no link between the MMR vaccine and autism. The vaccine has an excellent safety record and has protected millions of children worldwide.

What Type of vaccines are available, and can I choose a gelatine-free vaccine?
There are two MMR vaccines and two types of MMRV vaccines licenced for use in the UK. Priorix and Priorix Tetra are gelatine free vaccines. Ask the nurse if you prefer a gelatine free vaccine for your child.

What are the common side effects?
Common side effects include soreness at the injection site, a mild fever, a mild rash or feeling unwell. These usually settle within a few days.

Can my child have the vaccine if they have a cold?
A mild illness, such as a cold without a high temperature, is not usually a reason to delay vaccination. Inform the nurse and ask for advise prior to vaccination.

My child has an egg allergy. Can they still have the vaccine?
Children with an egg allergy can safely receive the MMR or MMRV vaccine.

Why does my child need two doses?
Two doses provide the best protection against measles, mumps and rubella and help prevent outbreaks.

Who should not receive the vaccine?
The vaccine may not be suitable for children with a severely weakened immune system or those who have had a severe allergic reaction to a previous dose. Please discuss any medical concerns with the nurse.

Reference List:
UK Health Security Agency. The Green Book: Immunisation against infectious disease – Chapter 21: Measles and Chapter 28a: Varicella (Chickenpox).
NHS. MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccine and Chickenpox vaccine information for parents.
Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI). National recommendations on MMR and varicella vaccination.
Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA). Vaccine safety monitoring and adverse event reporting.
World Health Organization. Measles Fact Sheet and Vaccine Safety resources.

For more information about vaccines and our contact details please visit **www.schoolvaccination.uk** or scan the QR code

Part of the NHS School Aged Immunisation Service

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The easiest place to get their flu vaccine? School.
VACCINATION UK
Haven't received your consent email? Scan here for help
NHS
Your child will be offered their FREE flu vaccine at school this autumn


Don't forget to consent
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A-Z of Mental Health Recources for Parents

Central Bedfordshire Mental Health Support Team's Free Padlet

NHS
East London
NHS Foundation Trust



Signposting to local and national services, apps, podcasts, exam stress tips, sleep hygiene, transitions and much more!

Scan me!!

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM'S

A-Z MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Free Padlet containing:
Apps
Self-help resources
Coping with exams
Phone lines and text services
Self-esteem
Sleep
Transitions to Year Middle to Upper School

NHS
East London
NHS Foundation Trust



Scan me!!

WINTER Disco

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2026

YEARS R, 1 & 2

3.15PM - 4.15PM

£4.50
Biscuits included

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6

4.30PM - 5.45PM

£4.00
Ticket only,
bring cash for tuck shop

Free drinks are available for the children during the disco

Click here

Click/ scan the QR code to purchase your child's ticket

transaction fee applies

Please only send your child in with the amount of money you're happy for them to spend in the tuck shop.





WINTER Disco VOLUNTEERS

Fancy being part of the disco fun?
We need YOU!

We need volunteers for both the first and second disco. Our volunteers play a vital role, because without them our events simply wouldn't be able to go ahead.

Please email us at foha@hadrianacademy.co.uk if you would like to help! Or sign up at PTA-Events when booking your child's ticket.

First Disco

What time do I need to be at the school disco?
3.00. Please head straight to the main school office to sign in. This allows time for a quick brief before the disco begins.

Can I collect my child first?
No. Your Child's class teacher will bring them to the hall when the disco begins.

Second Disco

What time do I need to be at the school disco?
4.10. Please head straight to the main school office to sign in. This allows time for a quick brief before the disco begins.

I have a child at the first disco, can they stay?
No. If you would like to volunteer and have a child at the first disco and the second disco, please arrange for somebody else to collect your child.

Are siblings allowed to discos?
No. This applies to both discos. Siblings and even siblings who attend Hadrian are not allowed to the other disco if they aren't in the school years it is for. This is to keep everybody safe.