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13th November 2026

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday, the whole school came together for a special assembly to mark Remembrance Day and remember all those who have sacrificed their lives in the service of others. It was a lovely and meaningful occasion.

A special well done to our Year 6 pupils, who did a fantastic job reading poems, playing the glockenspiels and delivering the speech. Thank you also to Mrs Auker for organising such a thoughtful and memorable event.













Anti-Bullying week Odd Socks Day

Next week is national Anti-Bullying week and we would like **all** of our community - children, staff and parents - to come to school in odd socks on Monday 16th November.

https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week-2026/odd-socks-day



It is a simple, fun way to celebrate individuality, promote inclusion, and spark important conversations about respect, kindness, and stopping bullying.

We will not be collecting money, as Monday and the whole week is more about promoting discussion and awareness.

Our assemblies all week will also follow the Anti-Bullying theme, to ensure our children are equipped to know the difference between someone being unkind and when this turns into bullying, who they can turn to for help and how important it is to speak up when you witness bullying.

Thank you for your support!

Miss Smith (PSHE lead) and Mrs Sparrow (Curriculum lead)

Cleaner Vacancy

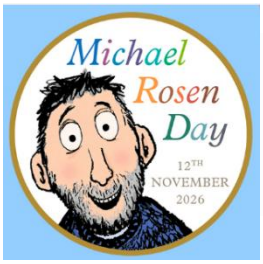
We currently have a vacancy for a Cleaner at Hadrian Academy and would like to welcome a new member to our team.

If you or somebody you know might be interested then please follow the link below for full details of the position and how to apply, please follow the link below to access our vacancies.

https://www.hadrianacademy.co.uk/School-Community/Current-Vacancies/

Or copy and paste the following link directly into your address box.

https://mynewterm.com/jobs/13778/EDV-2026-HA-21098



We had a fantastic time celebrating **Michael Rosen Day!** The children enjoyed exploring the work of this much-loved author and poet, bringing his wonderfully funny and entertaining poems to life. Through reading, performing and sharing his work, the children celebrated the joy of poetry, playing with language and using their imaginations. It was a brilliant opportunity to inspire a love of reading and discover just how much fun words can be!

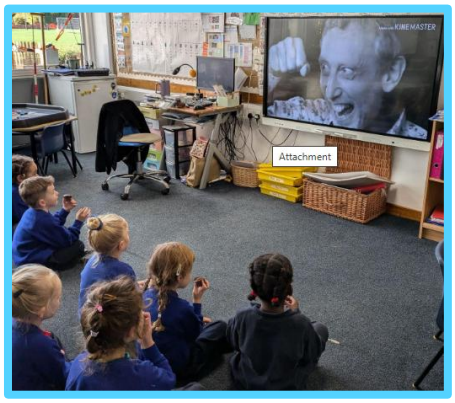


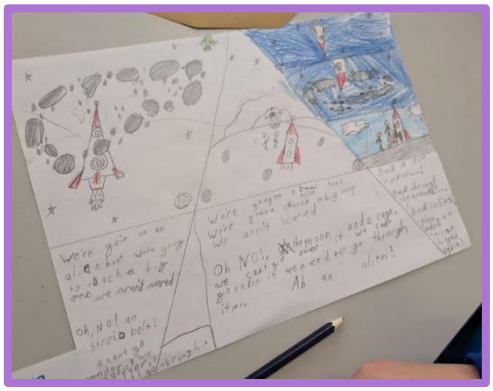


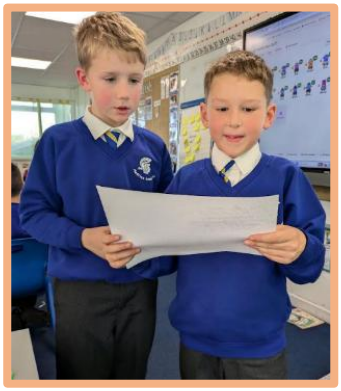








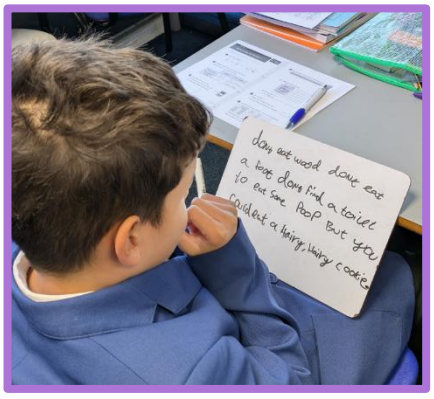












Star of the Week

This week, teachers have chosen the following children for demonstrating **ready – equipment ready.**

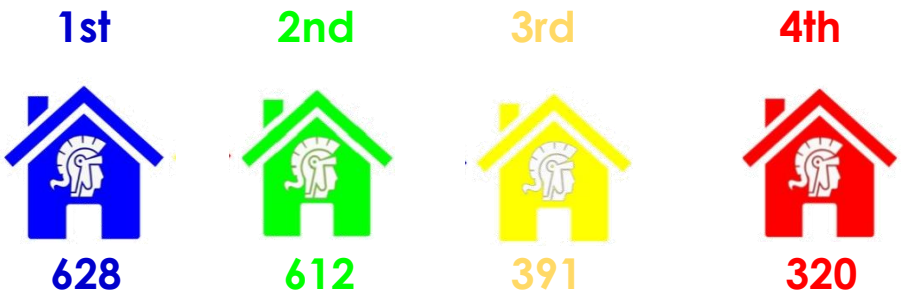
Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Harunsai	Luna	Georgia	Kaleem	Darcey B	Brody	Courtney
Sunbear	**Elephant**	**Giraffe**	**Leopard**	**Butterfly**	**Tiger**	**Dolphin**
Ibrahim	Arya	Dominic	Scarlett	Jessie	Elias	Luca

House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	28
St. Andrew	22
St. David	26
St. George	12

Overall points since the start of the school year:



Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

leopard class with 98.2%

Tiger class with 98.1%

Penguin class with 97.9%

The whole school average attendance this week is **92.8%**

Have a great weekend.

Mr Griffin

Star of the Week KS2



Star of the Week KS1



Dates for your Diary			
Mon 16th Nov	Odd Socks Day Anti-Bullying Week	All	
Thur 19th Nov	Flu Vaccinations	All	Full details below
Mon 23rd -26th	Steve Clifford Author	All	Details to follow
Thur 26th Nov	Coffee Morning - Reading Plus KS2	KS2	Parents are welcome to come along
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	Early Year Open Morning For children starting school in 2027		Applies to children born between 1/9/2022 and 31/8/2023
Fri 4th Dec	FOHA Christmas Cake Sale	All	Details 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
Wed 16th Dec	**Whole School Christmas Dinner**	**All**	**KS2 Payment to be made via ParentPay**
Thur 17th Dec	Coffee Morning - Reading Plus KS2	KS2	Parents are welcome to come along
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

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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

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The easiest place to get their flu vaccine? School.
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Ride a vintage Steam Train and visit Santa in his magical Grotto



A 25 minute Steam Train ride, then meet Santa in his Grotto with a quality present for Children. Grown-ups can enjoy a Mince Pie and Hot Punch.

New this year The 16.30 and 17.30 trains from Saturday 19th to Wednesday 23rd December will be *'Glow in the Dark'* Trains. Arrive early for a Hot Chocolate drink then everyone gets a marshmallow to toast round the fire pit and a glow stick to take on the train. Santa will still be in his Grotto to meet all children with a present on your return.

After Christmas, take a trip on the Mince Pie Specials and bring your Elf for our new *'Elf on the Shelf'* event.
Trains run from Nov 28th. See website for full timetable.

Find out more and book tickets at

www.buzzrail.uk

We regret we can not accommodate dogs on our Christmas trains apart from official Service Dogs

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OUR CLUBS

Start your child's gymnastics journey with Gymfinity Kids Clubs where they'll learn their very first handstand, cartwheel, forward roll and more!

Our mission is to make gymnastics as accessible as possible to as many children as possible. Working closely alongside Olympic Gymnast, Beth Tweddle, we have launched Community Clubs, which are designed to introduce children to the basics of gymnastics and get them trying something new that could transform into a passion that keeps them active for life.

Our Community Clubs are a fantastic entry point for children who are new to gymnastics. We have a highly skilled team of coaches on hand to teach and coach the children to discover their capabilities and learn new skills. We also offer progression through an in-house award program that's formulated to inspire and motivate children to help them be the best they can be.

We're so excited to introduce gymnastics to your child and get them active in the most fun way imaginable!



BOOK A FREE TASTER

by Beth Tweddle



MAKE FRIENDS

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NEW NINJA CLASSES FOR KIDS

Ninja classes focus on movement, skills needed to navigate various obstacles. This includes **climbing, swinging, jumping, flipping, and balancing** on challenging surfaces.

We also offer progression through an **in-house award program** that's formulated to inspire and motivate children to help them be the best they can be.

3 REASONS TO GIVE US A TRY

WOW!

1. Get your child active every week through fun gymnastics classes that will delight and excite them. See your child's self-confidence flourish as they discover their potential and explore new ways to move. Watch their strength, flexibility, balance, coordination and agility improve every week!
2. The classes will help develop important motor skills, such as running, jumping, rolling and landing. These skills improve overall physical development and can improve performance in other activities too.
3. They'll make new friends and develop their social skills – the children can't wait for their next class!





ADVICE & HELP



YOU CAN DO IT!

HOW TO FIND US





Gymfinity Kids has two types of clubs:

Our Community Clubs are in the heart of the community, hosted in spaces such as school sports halls, leisure centres and community halls. They're designed to make gymnastics and ninja more accessible to children in your area.

Our larger clubs are purpose-built venues offering Gymnastics and Ninja classes for children of all ages. We also offer birthday parties and holiday camps in our state-of-the-art venues.

Gymfinity Kids Community Club

1. **Luton**
   Challney High School For Boys, Stoneygate Rd, Luton LU4 9TJ
2. **Aylesbury**
   The Grange Secondary School, Wendover Way, Aylesbury HP21 7NH

Gymfinty Kids Clubs

3. **Milton Keynes**
   1st Floor (Above Fitness First) Stadium Way West, Milton Keynes, MK1 1ST

T: 01908 032050
E: info@gymfinitykids.com

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