



Newsletter No. 1

Pride in ourselves, pride in our school, pride in our community.

Friday 22nd April 2022



Good luck Mrs Hopkin

Today we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Hopkin. Mrs Hopkin has been an incredible part of the GMA team and has had a real impact on all the children who she has worked with. We will miss you!



Reading Corner

Every fortnight we will be looking at a different reading skill.

This week our skill focus is: Word Meaning

Children in key stage one and two need to be able to explain the meaning of words or groups of words in the text.

Words can have lots of different meanings. Always find the target word in the text to check that you understand how it is being used in the sentence.

It helps to read the words that come before and after the target word.

Try swapping the word with a similar word you know.

Does this change the meaning of the sentence?

Questions to support your child with word meaning:

Can you find the word ____? Have you heard that word before? What might it mean? Which other words in the text could help

you? What word could you use instead of ____?



Concerns

If you ever have any concerns regarding your child or about the school, please contact us directly in the first instance. This is the only way we will be able to address worries, and a way that we can give you feedback on the result of any investigations and subsequent actions. You can contact the school by phoning the office on 01462 732002 or sending an email to GMA-Office@bestacademies.org.uk. Your concerns will then be passed on to the appropriate member of staff who will then be in contact with you.

Welcome Mrs Harper



Mrs Harper has joined us to take on the new role of Emotional Wellbeing Support Assistant. We are very excited to have Mrs Harper here as part of our team. Levi and Beth interviewed Mrs Harper so we could get to know her a little better.

Why do you want to have this job?

I like helping people and because I think it is really important to take care of ourselves not just physically but mentally.

How are you feeling about starting this job?

Very excited!

What do you want the children to call you?

Mrs Harper.

Do you have a pet?

Yes, I have four pets. Two dogs called Fizzy and Matilda, one gerbil called Clive and a leopard gecko called Ronaldo.

What is your favourite food?

Mum's roast dinner and chocolate!

Do you have any children?

Yes, I do have four children between the ages of 12 and 17.

Do you think you are going to enjoy this job?

Yes, I definitely do.

St George's Day

Reception have been learning about St George's Day today. They have enjoyed creating their own English flags, listening to the story of George and the Dragon and acting it out with our small world resources.



We look forward to sharing our PGL and Young Voices pictures and words with you next week. Have a lovely weekend.

Clay modelling in Elm Class

Elm class have had an exciting week using clay to form sculptures of natural things such as trees, hedgehogs and snails.

