

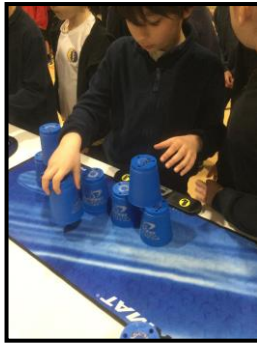


# GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Issue 218  
20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## Year 4 Speed Stacking

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026, Year 4 enjoyed taking part in a speed stacking event at Longdean School. The pupils were highly motivated and showed excellent focus and enthusiasm throughout the activity.

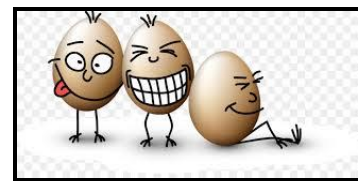


Max: 'I enjoyed learning how to stack really fast'.

Jamie: 'I liked the 363, I was motivated'.

Mia: 'I liked speed stacking 333. It was lots of fun'.

## School Disco



We will be holding a school disco for Reception through to Year 6 on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026 from the end of the school day until 4.30pm.

The cost of this event is £6.00 per pupil, the money raised goes towards enriching our pupils' school experience. This price includes refreshments and for your child to wear non-uniform to school for the day.

If you would like your child to attend, please send £6.00 in cash in to school in a clearly named envelope as soon as possible.

If your child wishes to participate in the non-uniform day but does not wish to come to the school disco, please send £1.00 in a clearly marked envelope.

There will be no Night Owls on this day.

## Easter Egg Raffle



We are once again holding the hugely popular Easter Egg Raffle, with delicious prizes to be won! All profits raised will be added to the GVSA fund raising efforts. Details and tickets have been sent home with your child. If you require further raffle tickets, please contact the School Office.

The last day to return tickets to school is Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026 and the draw will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

## From our Governors



I am Maureen Barton and have been a governor here for three years and aim to spend time in school each week.

Recently, I have been hearing children read and their enjoyment of books and confidence in reading is lovely to see. Year 4 Pupils have continued to show great perseverance in practising their times tables and it has been lovely to see the children in all classes enjoying our wonderful outside spaces too.

I was lucky to accompany classes 1, and 2 on their recent trip to Radlett Theatre for a great production of "We're Going On A Bear Hunt." Excitement levels were high, especially spotting familiar places from the top deck of the coach!

"Thank You" to all the adults involved in organising and accompanying this trip and all the other activities that provide enrichment for our pupils.

As Link Governor for SEN, I meet regularly with Mrs Steadman and have accompanied her to look at SEND provision in a number of classes.

We are looking for more governors to join us, if you know someone who might be interested, please do contact the school.

## Class Assemblies



All class assemblies start at 9:00am in the school hall.

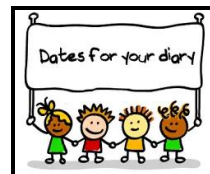
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2026	Year 5
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Year 3
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 4
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 6
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Year 2
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Year 1
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Reception

## World Book Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed up on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> of March for World Book Day. The costumes were amazing - thank you for all your efforts. Please scroll down for more pictures.



## Dates for your Diary



**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026** - Year 5 GOAL Day

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026** - Reception Class Assembly 9:00am

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026** - Year 6 Natural History Museum

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026** - Year 3 and Year 4 Performance 9:15am and 2:15pm

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026** - School Disco Reception to Year 6 - 3:15-4:30

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026** - End of Term - 1pm

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026** - Summer Term Starts

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026** - Year 6 Online Health Questionnaire



## Champ of the Week



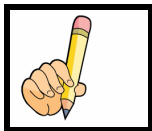
09.03.2026 - 13.03.2026 for being:  
**Perseverant**

Valentina	-	Nursery
Brynlea-Anne	-	Reception
Andrew	-	Year 1
Sophia	-	Year 2
Alli	-	Year 3
Harry	-	Year 4
Daisy	-	Year 5
Mia	-	Year 6

16.03.2026 - 20.03.2026 for being:  
**Confident**

Oliver M	-	Reception
Rayan	-	Year 1
Maria	-	Year 2
Penny	-	Year 3
Reece C	-	Year 4
Noah	-	Year 5
Freya	-	Year 6

## Handwriting Award



09.03.2026 - 13.03.2026

Oliver M	-	Reception
Oriana	-	Year 1
Noah	-	Year 2
Bobby	-	Year 3
Billy	-	Year 4
Noah	-	Year 5
Oliver	-	Year 6

16.03.2026 - 20.03.2026

Brian	-	Reception
Bobby	-	Year 1
Ava	-	Year 2
Ronnie	-	Year 3
Daisy	-	Year 4
Robyn	-	Year 5
Jessica	-	Year 6

## Attendance Initiative

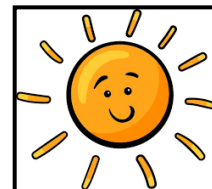
Whole School Attendance Figures  
09.03.2026 - 13.03.2026

Reception	97.41%
Year 1	96.67%
Year 2	96.67%
Year 3	96.77%
Year 4	96.67%
Year 5	98.15%
Year 6	99.63%

16.03.2026 - 20.03.2026

Reception	86.67%
Year 1	86.67%
Year 2	93.33%
Year 3	90.32%
Year 4	93.33%
Year 5	86.67%
Year 6	93.33%

## Growth Mindset Quote

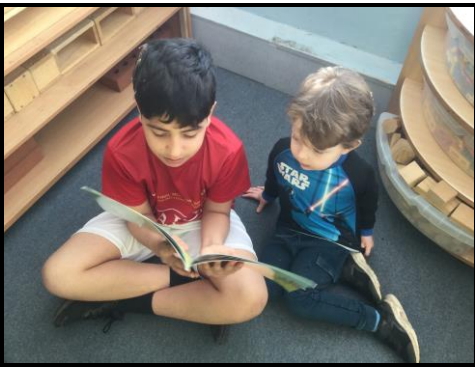


Wherever you go, no matter what the weather,  
always bring your own sunshine.

# World Book Day







## WANTED!



### SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

We are urgently looking for someone who would be interested in becoming the School Crossing Patrol at

Gade Valley Primary School

THE PAY IS £12.66 PER HOUR  
increasing in April 2026 to £12.85 per hour  
(excluding enhancements)  
Job Share Considered

if you are or you know anyone who is interested and would like further information please contact  
Joanne Morris on 01992 556803

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Can we please respectfully remind you that it is parental responsibility to get your child to and from school safely

