



GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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1st May 2026

Nite Owl Visit

On Wednesday 22nd April, Nite Owls, a Birds of Prey demonstration team came into school.

They bought a selection of owls, all with very different temperaments, one of which was extremely naughty and decided that he wanted to sit on the PE rope in the hall and watch the assembly rather than taking part!

The pupils learnt about the different types of owls, what they eat, where they live and watched them fly across the hall.

After the assembly every pupil had the opportunity of having their picture taken with 'Poppy' a beautiful barn owl who enjoys lots of attention and cuddles.



Nursery and Reception Admissions 2026



You will have received your 'Welcome to Gade Valley' letter this week providing important dates and information about your child's transition into either Nursery or Reception 2026.

Wednesday 24th June 2026 - 5:00 - 6:00 pm -
New Parents Evening - Parents only no children.

Thursday 9th July 2026 - Nursery Transition
Morning - 9:30am - 10:30am

Thursday 9th July 2026 - Reception Transition
Morning - 9:30am - 11:00am

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 - School
starts- Reception pupils start - Gates open at
8:30am

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 - 30 Hour
Nursery pupils start - Gates open at 8:30am

Thursday 3rd September 2026 - 15 Hour
Nursery pupils start - Gates open at 8:30am

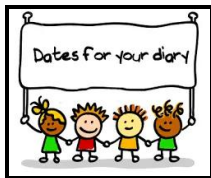


Polite Request



Please can you ensure that your child does not use their bike or scooter on the school playground before and after school. The playground is very busy and we would like to ensure there are no accidents. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary



Monday 27th April 2026 - "A Date with a Duck"

Monday 4th May 2026 - Bank Holiday - School Closed

Friday 8th May 2026 - Year 2 GOAL Day

Monday 11th May 2026 - Year 6 SATs Week

Tuesday 12th May 2026 Year 3 GOAL Day

Wednesday 13th May 2026 - Staff Training - No Night Owls

Monday 18th May 2026 - Year 4 GOAL Day

Tuesday 19th May 2026 - Year 3 British Schools Museum

Tuesday 19th May 2026 - Year 6 GOAL Day

Wednesday 20th May 2026 - CHAMP 4 Life Afternoon

Thursday 21st May 2026 - Class Photographs and Year 6 Leavers.

Friday 22nd May 2026 - Year 1 GOAL Day

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026 - Half Term

Monday 1st June 2026 - School Starts

Champ of the Week



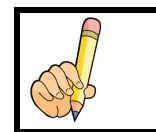
20.04.2026 - 24.04.2026 for being: Helpful

Thando	-	Reception
Lucas	-	Year 1
Marissa	-	Year 2
Noor	-	Year 3
Ralph	-	Year 4
Nate	-	Year 5
Isla	-	Year 6

27.04.2026 - 01.05.2026 for being: Attentive

Wolfie	-	Nursery
Naila	-	Reception
Lexi	-	Year 1
Matilda	-	Year 2
Allie	-	Year 3
Reece C	-	Year 4
Adam	-	Year 5
Ariyah	-	Year 6

Handwriting Award



20.04.2026 - 24.04.2026

Lyla	-	Reception
Roman C	-	Year 1
Albie	-	Year 2
Robyn	-	Year 3
Zachary	-	Year 4
Adam	-	Year 5
Kitty	-	Year 6

27.04.2026 - 01.05.2026

Charlotte	-	Reception
Kit	-	Year 1
Ella	-	Year 2
Teddy	-	Year 3
Pari	-	Year 4

Christian - Year 5
Freya - Year 6

Attendance Initiative

Whole School Attendance Figures 20.04.2026 - 24.04.2026

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%

27.04.2026 - 01.05.2026

Reception	99.63%
Year 1	96.03%
Year 2	91.48%
Year 3	98.21%
Year 4	94.00%
Year 5	98.52%
Year 6	94.44%

Growth Mindset Quote