



Gaddesden Row JMI School Newsletter 17th April - 2026



Good afternoon, friends, and families,

It has been a fantastic start to the summer term, and it's hard to believe we are already at the end of the first week. The children have returned with great energy and enthusiasm, and we are incredibly proud of how quickly they have settled back into school routines.

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term ahead.

After-School Clubs

After-school clubs have started this week, and it has been great to see so many children getting involved. A reminder that Art and Football clubs will begin next week.

There are still a few places available, so please contact the school office if your child would like to join.

All clubs finish at 4:15pm.

Chance to Shine Cricket Taster morning

A reminder that on Monday we will be hosting a Chance to Shine cricket engagement morning in school. This is a great opportunity for all children to take part in fun sessions, develop new skills and enjoy a range of cricket activities.

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on this day.

Smarties Chore Challenge and 150th Anniversary Design Project

A quick update on two current projects taking place in school.

The Smarties Chore Challenge was due in today - thank you to everyone who has already returned their completed tubes. If you haven't had a chance yet, please could these be returned by Monday. We really appreciate your support in helping to raise funds for the school.

Entries for the 150th Anniversary Design Project are due by Friday 24th April, and we cannot wait to see the children's ideas.

Parent Open Mornings

A reminder that our Summer Term Parent Open Mornings begin next week, and we are really looking forward to welcoming you into school.

We begin with Class Star next Thursday (23rd April) and would love to see as many parents there as possible to share in the children's learning.

Each session runs from 8:30–9:30am, with time to explore the classroom followed by a short activity with your child.

Further dates:

- Thursday 30th April – Class Galaxy
- Thursday 7th May – Class Comet

We hope you are able to join us!

Sportopia

It has been fantastic to see such a positive start with our new sports coaching provider, Sportopia. The children have really enjoyed both their PE lessons and the extra-curricular sessions on offer, showing great enthusiasm and engagement throughout. We are also looking forward to the start of the new football club on Monday, which we know will be very popular!

Attendance and Team Points Celebration

We are delighted to celebrate the children who achieved 100% attendance in the Spring term, who thoroughly enjoyed their celebration party on Wednesday – a fantastic achievement!

We are also looking forward to seeing Team Ruby enjoy their team points reward this coming Wednesday. Well done to all involved!



Stars of the Week

Class Star: Nell
Class Galaxy: Rylee
Class Comet: Bella



Our School Values

This week, it has been wonderful to see our pupils really demonstrating the value of **nurturing relationships**. Across the school, children have shown kindness, respect and empathy towards one another, taking the time to support their peers and work collaboratively.

Whether in the classroom or during less structured times, it has been lovely to see friendships strengthened and children looking out for one another. By nurturing positive relationships, our pupils are helping to create a warm, inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and supported.

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- A rticulate
- R esilient
- N urture Relationships
- E ncourage
- R emember More and Know More



Attendance

Attendance Matters

Class Star	Class Galaxy	Class Comet
97%	98%	100%



Well done to **Class Comet** for getting **£10** in your attendance fund!

Team Points for the end of this week are:



Golden Book

Well done to **Finley and Annabelle** for their amazing Legoland creation. Well done to **Nell** for her fantastic work during music. Well done to **Hetty, Oscar, Raphy, Zephyn, Demi and Bella** for their thorough neat note taking in RE. Well done to **Zephyn** for his super effort and writing rubbish instructions. Well done to **Hetty** for her beautiful presentation in history. Well done to **Bella and Lily** for their perseverance when rounding decimals.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Miss Smith

Gaddesden Wish List

If you are in a position to support the school, please have a look at our wish list which can be located via this link: [Amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk) This can also be found on the school website, in the top right-hand corner, quick links section.

At Gaddesden Row JMI School, we are fully committed to the safeguarding of pupils and take E-Safety very seriously. With the support of parents, we pro-actively teach our pupils how to keep themselves safe, including online.