



Gaddesden Row JMI School Newsletter 12th June - 2026



Good afternoon, friends, and families,

Another very busy week has ended here at Gaddesden Row! The children have been working extremely hard in all areas of the curriculum, whilst doing lots of practice for sports day and the summer show.

Gold Badges

This afternoon in assembly, we were pleased to recognise pupils who have achieved their Gold Badge for 30 weeks in school to **Sebby, Fergus, Finley, Tommy, Rylee, Leyton, Paisley and Hetty.**

Well done, Year 4 and Year 1!

This week, the children in Year 4 completed their statutory multiplication check and the children in Year 1 completed their Phonics Screen Check. We are very proud of you all and the way you applied your learning to help you achieve and succeed!

150th Anniversary Garden Clearing

A reminder that garden clearing sessions will be taking place this Saturday (13th June) and again on Saturday 20th June, between 11:00am and 3:00pm.

If you are available and able to help, your support would be greatly appreciated. Please bring any suitable garden tools if you have them. Refreshments will be provided on the day.

Speech Cup – Reminder

All children will be taking part in class heats for our Speech Cup competition, which will be held on either Monday or Tuesday next week, depending on their class.

Following the heats, three children from each class will be selected to progress to the final, which will take place on Thursday. If your child is selected for the final, you will be invited to attend.

Thank you for your continued support in encouraging the children to take part.

Sports Day and Water Fight – Friday 19th June

Just a reminder that Sports Day will take place next Friday, with a 9:30am start (families welcome from 9:20am). Children should come into school wearing their house team coloured T-shirt.

In the afternoon, we will be holding our popular Water Fight. Please ensure your child brings a complete change of clothes, including socks. Unfortunately, if these items are forgotten, children will not be able to take part.

Class Comet Drama Workshop

On Wednesday, Class Comet took part in an exciting drama workshop led by staff from Abbot's Hill School. Using the story of *Little Red Riding Hood* as inspiration, the children explored a range of creative techniques, including working with a green screen and creating their own Foley sound effects. Everyone threw themselves into the activities with enthusiasm, imagination and confidence. The children were a real credit to the school, demonstrating excellent teamwork, creativity and behaviour throughout the session.

Graft Summer Fayre – After School Event (Friday 3rd July)

We're excited to announce that Graft's Summer Fayre will take place after school on Friday 3rd July. It promises to be a fun-filled afternoon for pupils and families, with activities, stalls, and entertainment for everyone to enjoy. More details, including timings and what to expect, will be shared soon.

Time Capsule Project – 150th Celebrations

As part of our 150th anniversary celebrations, we are inviting pupils, families and staff to help create a special time capsule. This will be buried alongside our celebration tree at the Celebration Fayre on Friday 19th September.

We would love ideas for what should go inside to represent life at Gaddesden Row in 2026. Possible contributions could include drawings, letters, photographs, small written messages, predictions for the future, or items that reflect school life today.

If you have any suggestions or ideas, please let us know. We are excited to create something that will be opened by future generations and capture this moment in our school's history.



Stars of the Week

Class Star: Lilah
Class Galaxy: Karolina
Class Comet: Chloe



Our School Values

This week it has been fantastic to see our pupils demonstrating the value of **open-mindedness** across a range of learning experiences. They have shown a willingness to listen to others, consider new ideas and approaches, and embrace different ways of thinking.

Pupils have been open-minded in their learning behaviours, responding thoughtfully to different viewpoints, asking questions, and exploring alternative strategies in their work. They have shown respect for the ideas of others and worked well collaboratively, even when opinions differ.

Across the school, children have consistently shown that they are developing a strong sense of open-mindedness, and we are incredibly proud of the maturity and attitude they have demonstrated.

Generous **L**isten
Aspirational **E**njoy
Discovering **A**rticulate
Responsible **R**esilient
Open-minded **N**urture Relationships
Welcoming **E**ncourage
 Remember More and Know More



Attendance

Attendance Matters



Class Star	Class Galaxy	Class Comet
91%	87%	98%

Well done to **Class Comet** for getting **£5** in your attendance fund!

Team Points for the end of this week are:

586



562



593



Golden Book

Well done to **Isabella** for being super kind and generous to her friends. Well done to **Demi** for being so polite and well-mannered during Eco Club. Well done to **Class Comet** for their fantastic attitude, enthusiasm and listening during the drama workshop.

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.