



Gaddesden Row JMI School

Newsletter 3rd October - 2025



Good afternoon, friends, and families,

Welcome to October and the end of another busy week here at school. Some of the children have been talking to me this week about how quickly time is going. It was lovely to talk with everyone and discuss how every day of learning, and seeing friends in school, is vital due to how quickly time goes.

We have three weeks until we break up for half term and we enter a time of year to celebrate Black History Week and Halloween. We have lots of different activities planned and we look forward to sharing our experiences with families.

Pumpkin Carving

Get your carving tools ready—it's that time of year again! Full details of our Annual Pumpkin Carving Competition are included in the attached letter.

We look forward to seeing the children's designs and the adults in school will be ready to deliberate during the special assembly.

Arbor

Thank you to all parents for setting up your Arbor account. We have now fully switched over to using this system for communications and payments.

You can use the App to report pupil absence. If you have any questions or require any further support, please contact the school office.

Parent Consultations

Thank you to those families that have returned a form stating what times you are able to meet with your child's teacher. A reminder that all forms need to be returned to school by Tuesday 7th October so that we can collate and send out confirmation times.

Christmas Art Projects...

Yes, it is very early for the word above, but we have again this taken part in our Christmas Art Projects. The children have completed their designs, and they have been sent off today. When the proofs are returned, parents will receive this and will then be able to place orders using a unique QR code.

Well done to all the children – your designs look amazing!

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.



Stars of the Week

Class Star: Primrose
Class Galaxy: Paisley
Class Comet: Leo



Our School Values

This week our chosen value is **Discovery**. Throughout the week, we have seen examples of children using their problem-solving skills to complete challenges and puzzles. We have seen children asking thoughtful questions to deepen their understanding. We have also seen children working together, sharing discoveries with their friends and learning from each other. Well done on your discovering behaviours!

G enerous	L isten
A spirational	E njoy
D iscovering	A rticulate
R esponsible	R esilient
O pen-minded	N urture Relationships
W elcoming	E ncourage
	R emember More and Know More



Attendance

Attendance Matters



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

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

Team Points for the end of this week are:

379



352



364



Golden Book

Well done to **Leyton, Oakley and Louie** for their super presentation in maths. Well done to **Cassie** for her excellent presentation of work on negative numbers. Well done to **Demi** for her fantastic character description. Well done to **Oscar** for his accurate pronunciation in Spanish. Well done to **Rupert** for his brilliant effort in Spanish. Well done to **Bella, Cassie, Chloe, Hetty, Alexia, Zephyn, Leo and Raph** for their super presentation and effort when writing character descriptions. Well done to **Lois and Lola** for their fantastic detail and presentation in RE. Well done to **Paisley** for her accurate calculations in maths.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Smith

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.