



Garras School Newsletter

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Attendance last week
(04.11.24—08.11.24)

(Whole School Target—97%)

Barn Owls – 95.91%

Hawk Owls—97.22%

Eagle Owls—93.87%

Year to date (whole school)—95.40%

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Staffing updates

We are delighted to share the lovely news that Mrs Woodhead has given birth to a beautiful baby boy - both mother and baby are doing very well.

Mrs D is leaving us at the end of next week to work with her husband in their thriving restaurant.

The business is going really well and therefore Mrs D has made the very difficult decision to leave Garras and join her husband. We wish them all the best for the future.

We also have some further sad news: Miss Bird will be leaving at Christmas to move to Australia with her family. Whilst this is very sad for us at Garras, this is a new and exciting adventure for Miss Bird. I know you will join us in wishing her and her family all the very best.

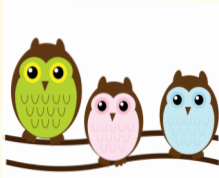
DIARY DATES	
Mon 11th Nov	Swallows Gym Eagle Owls
Tue 12th Nov	Nasal flu vaccination - All year groups
Tue 12th Nov	Hawk Owls Stone Age Trip
Thurs 14th Nov	Swallows Gym Hawk Owls, Barn Owls
Fri 15th Nov	Children in Need- Non -school uniform
Mon 18th Nov	Swallows Gym Eagle Owls
Tue 19th Nov	Hawk Owls CAST workshop
Wed 20th Nov	Forest School Barn Owls
Wed 20th Nov	Netball competition Trannack School
Thurs 21st Nov	Swallows Gym Hawk Owls, Barn Owls
Mon 25th Nov	Swallows Gym Eagle Owls
Wed 27th Nov	Football competition Godolphin School
Thurs 28th Nov	Swallows Gym Hawk Owls, Barn Owls
Fri 13th Dec	Christmas Production at Gweek Village Hall
Fri 20th Dec	Last Day of Term
23rd Dec- 3rd Jan	Christmas Holiday
Mon 6th Jan	First Day of Spring Term

Swallows Gym

All classes will be having a session every week at Swallows Gym over the next few weeks, (see diary dates).

Eagle Owls will be transported in the minibus in two groups to their session on Mondays.

Hawk Owls and Barn Owls will use the minibus and staff cars were practicable on Thursdays. We may ask parents to help with transport for some Thursday sessions. If you are available to help, please contact Mrs V in the school office.



**Tuesday
12th November**

Hawk Owls will be doing a tour of Stone Age settlements in our local area. The tour route is to be confirmed. Children can wear non-school uniform but **MUST** wear a school jumper. They will also need a coat, packed lunch and drinks bottle. School packed lunches will be provided to Year 2 children.

FOREST SCHOOL DATES

The dates for the autumn term are as follows:

Barn Owls (09:00-12:00)

Wed 20th Nov
Wed 4th Dec
Wed 18th Dec TBC

Hawk/Eagle Owls (all day)

To start in Spring term TBC

*Please note that these may be subject to change during poor weather and staff shortages, but we will keep you informed of any changes.

This term's pupil progress meetings for parents will take place next week beginning Monday 11th November and are a wonderful opportunity for you to discuss your child's learning with their class teacher.

If you haven't already, please sign up on the sheets outside the classrooms. You can also call the school office to make your appointment.

Teachers will try to keep to the timings, but we do appreciate your patience when meetings overrun.

**Friday 15th
November
Children in Need
is a non-school
uniform day
Please wear
something spotty.
Please donate on
Parent Pay
[Children in Need 2024](#)**



Parent Pay

From the 4th November Breakfast club and After School club needs to be booked and paid all online on Parent Pay. The deadline for Breakfast club will be by 15.00 pm of the day before and for After School club will be by 9.00 am of the same day. Thank you to all the parents that, despite some confusion at the beginning, managed to get the system going. Please make sure you have cleared the outstanding balance. Thank you to all that made all the payments. If you have any problems, questions or queries, please let Mrs Venturi know.

Attendance

Please note it is very important - if your child is not well enough to attend school, or has an appointment, you must contact the school **before 8.30am**, either;

- phone 01326 221653 (using the answer-phone or dedicated absence option if there is no-one in the office)
- email garrassecretary@croftymat.org
- reply to a recent text message from the school

We need this contact on a daily basis for any short term absences; please ask for advice if the absence is likely to be longer.

If your child has been prescribed medication, we can administer this during school time; please complete a medical consent form available from the office.

If you have any questions or comments please get in touch.

Noah and Nathaniel represented Garras at the Cross Country Race at yesterday. They came an impressive 3rd (Nathaniel) and 5th (Noah) in the Year 3&4 race.

