



PARENTS NEWSLETTER 25 FEBRUARY 2016

I hope you all enjoyed a good half term break. I am writing this on my way back from London where our first 3 sixth formers received their gold Duke of Edinburgh awards at St James Palace. This is a truly remarkable achievement for them as individuals and for us as a school. Well done David, Andrew and Luke

After School Club

After School Club currently have a few vacancies. If you are interested in either extending your child's days or in finding out more please contact Kelly on 07767 736948.

Music Therapy

In a school of about 100 staff, there are always a few changes and it is not possible to include all in this newsletter but this month I would like to say a sad goodbye to Katy Bell our music therapist. Katy is focussing on her NHS work and leaves Granta with all our best wishes, not least from the pupils who like her very much. However, I am equally delighted that Chris Haines will be taking over Katy's hours and so the change will be relatively gentle. Chris has already been here for **4 months** and is proving popular in his own right. If your child currently receives music therapy then Katy or Chris will be in touch with you directly.

Wheelchair Accessible Holidays

I have been made aware of 2 wheelchair accessible holiday options (not in term time please!) that may be of interest to you. I can't give any personal endorsement of either but if you are interested in finding out more one family has recommended <http://centrealgarve.org/> and Eddies (formally Mencap) have a holiday home in Heacham. We have a flier that can be sent home on request: please contact Val in the school office 01223 896890.

MDSA Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for midday supervisors. Are you able to spare a couple of days or more? If you are interested please check the vacancies section on our website: www.granta.cambs.sch.uk

Family Network Meeting

I have been asked by families of ex pupils, governors and current families who would like more social opportunities through school, if a family network meeting might be held at Granta. I think this is a great idea. More information soon.

Granta Birthday

Finally, a further date for your diary: this year Granta is 10 years old! In the early days we used to celebrate the school birthday each year on the Friday of the first full week in September. We stopped at age 5 until we reached 10. This year then is the return of tradition and on Friday 9 September we will celebrate school's 10th birthday. Further details to follow.