

# **Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter**

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**West Tyne Federation of Schools** 

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Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 9/9/19 (Please note: this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato & Green Beans <b>OR</b> Jacket Potato with Tuna or Cheese	Mince & Dumplings, Mashed Potato & Carrots OR Baguette with Filling	Chicken Burger in a Bun, Salad & Sweetcorn <b>OR</b> Wrap with Filling	Chicken & Sage Pie, Wedges & Peas OR Jacket Potato with Tuna or Cheese	Salmon & Dill Fishcake, New Potatoes & Beans <b>OR</b> Pasta with Cheese or Chicken
Jelly & Ice Cream	Raspberry & White Chocolate Muffin	Fruit Cheesecake	Flapjack	Frozen Fruit Smoothie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt



Reception/Class 1: Joe for increased confidence in sharing his ideas.

Class 2: Riley for enjoying reading at home.

Headteacher's Award: All the Reception children- you have had a fantastic first week in school and settled in so well! Well done!



What a lovely first week at Greenhead!

It has been great to be back and the staff and children have begun the term very well. There is a good, calm atmosphere in school and every teacher is pleased with their new class. Mrs Fairless and I have been impressed by the way that the school has 'hit the ground running' this year.

We welcome our new teacher Ms Mitchell, who is working is Key Stage 2, to the Federation and Mrs Fairless in her new role as Assistant Head. A great start all round!

## Topics this half term:

Key Stage 2: "God and Mortals"

Key Stage 1: "Paws, Claws and Whiskers"

Reception: "Do cows drink milk?"

Attendance w/c 3/9/19					
Reception	95%				
Year 1	100%				
Year 2	93.8%				
Year 3	100%				
Year 4	96.9%				
Year 5	81.3%				
Year 6	100%				
Overall	94.7%				

#### **Learning Achievements**

**Reception:** this week the children have been discussing what a farmer does and what kind of animals might you find on a farm. We have also started looking at the story "The Three Little Pigs". We have been exploring objects and trying to put them into groups.

If any farmers have any farm machinery that they would be willing to bring to school for the children to explore, please could you get in touch with Mrs Makepeace.

**Class 1:** this week our special visitors in class were tortoises and we have been learning how to look after them. We have also been describing our own pets using adjectives and creating pictures of our pets. In Maths, Year 2 have been looking at representing two-digit numbers and Year 1 have been sorting objects into groups and explaining our groups.

**Class 2:** the children have settled back to school well. In English, the children have been researching Greek Gods and Goddesses in preparation to creating a character description next week. In Maths, the children have been using place value grids, counters, dienes and cards to make 3-digit and 7-digit numbers.

For more information please look on our website and Facebook page.

#### **NUFC and Commando Joe's**

Our sessions with Newcastle United will start again on Monday for all children in both schools. Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit, including jogging bottoms. Our family learning after school club will be on Mondays up until half term starting on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September at Greenhead at 3.30pm. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend this particular after school club – please see attached letter. Commando Joe's will be working with Greenhead children in Autumn Term 1 and Henshaw children in Autumn Term 2 and so forth over the academic year. This will take place on a Wednesday morning and the children will also need their PE kit in school for these sessions. Thank you.

#### E- Safety

The staff team across the federation had some E-Safety training on Monday and are all up to date with the new Government initiatives.

Please find attached some information on how to use technology safely at home.

#### Open the Book

We had a visit from the Open the Book team this week. The children were involved in acting out parts of the Bible story in assembly and were able to discuss the meaning of the story afterwards.

# Hexham Abbey Key Stage 2

The children in KS2 will be visiting Hexham Abbey on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> September to take part in a Music Festival. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3 towards transport costs. Please complete and return the permission slip and indicate if your child requires a school packed lunch (£2.30) or will be bringing a packed lunch from home.

Yours,

Sarah Hutchinson Executive Headteacher

## **Swimming**

A reminder that Key Stage 2 will be having swimming lessons every Tuesday morning during the Autumn term. Please return permissions slips and payment by **Monday**, **9**<sup>th</sup> **September**.

The second payment should be sent in by **Monday**, 21<sup>st</sup> **October**.

# Wanted!

If you have any unwanted board games/Lego/construction sets, etc that you no longer want we would be very grateful for them for Breakfast and After School Club.

## Handprints

Last term the children made tiles in clay with their handprints and initials on them for a payment of £5. These are going to be displayed in the cross outside the front entrance of the school. If your child has not made one and would like to do so, please complete the slip and return it to the school office.

#### Aldi's Kit for Schools

Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 Primary Schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school.

How to get involved... Every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Take the stickers into school to help complete the Team GB poster. Once the poster is complete with 300 stickers, it can be sent back and the school will receive an exclusive Sports Kit and will be in with the chance of winning £20,000!

Dates for Your Diary Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September- Parent consultations Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September- Macmillan Coffee morning 10am Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October- Messy Church Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October- Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October- Non-uniform day/ Start of half term Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November- TT day Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November- School re-opens Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November- Greenhead Christmas performances Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December- Greenhead Christmas performances Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December- Carols around the tree pm Start of Christmas holidays Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January- TT Day Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January- School re-opens/ Key Stage 1 swimming sessions start Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January- Community Lunch Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January- Community Lunch Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February- Grandparents lunch Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February- Wessy Church Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March- Red Nose Day Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March- Messy Church Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March- Red Nose Day Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March- Mother's day Tea and Cake morning Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April- Non uniform day/ Start of Easter holidays Tuesday 21 <sup>th</sup> March- Mother's day Tea and Cake morning Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April- Non uniform day/ Start of Easter holidays Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March- Mother's Day Citcket/ Feaster holidays Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May- Messy Church Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March- Reception swimming sessions start Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May- Messy Church Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May- Messy Church Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March- Reception swimming sessions start Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May- Messy Church Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May- Messy Church Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day cricket/ rounder's match
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July- Messy Church Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July- Parent consultations/ report feedback
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July- Leavers' assembly and start of Summer holidays
Hexham Abbey Key Stage 2
I give permission for my child/ren to visit Hexham Abbey on Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup>
September.
He/she will bring their own packed lunch
He/she would like a school packed lunch (£2.30)
I enclose a contribution of £3 towards transport
Signed
Handprint Tile
I would like my child/ren to make a handprint tile and enclose £5 per child.
Signed

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