



Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 25/11/19

(Please note: this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Battered Chicken Burger, Wedges & Beans OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Mexican Pie, Baby Potatoes & Sweetcorn OR Pasta with Tuna	Mince, Dumplings, Mash & Broccoli OR Baguette with Filling	Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Potatoes & Carrots OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Pepperoni Pizza, Wedges & Peas OR Tortilla Wrap with Filling
Fruit Cheesecake	Jelly & Fruit	Steamed Syrup Sponge & Custard	Sticky Toffee Pudding & Custard	Frozen Fruit Smoothie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Stars of the Week



Reception/Class 1: Finley and Lily-Anna for speaking confidently to our SIAMS inspector.

Class 2: Jemimah, Kate, Emma and Tristan for speaking with confidence to our SIAMS inspector

Headteacher's Award: Jayden- For writing and remembering his thoughtful prayer for the outside reflection area.

Virtues and Values: Faith for sharing her biscuits with a friend

SIAMS Inspection

Thank you to all children who behaved beautifully and welcomed our SIAMS inspector into school on Thursday.

Thank you as well to all the staff and governors who supported each other and the children throughout the day.

Uniform

Please can we remind you of our uniform requirements:

- Bottle Green sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- White polo shirt
- Grey/black trousers or skirt (knee length)
- Black school shoes (no trainers or football boots)
- No jewellery apart from stud earrings which should be removed or covered over for PE.

All clothing should be clearly marked with your child's name.

Attendance w/c 18/11/19

Reception	100%
Year 1	91.5%
Year 2	97.4%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%
Overall	97.5%

Learning Achievements

Reception: this week we have been reading 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves' and retelling the story as well as acting out the nativity story. In Maths, we have been looking at doubling numbers.

Class 1: This week we have been finishing off our season booklets and learning about Sir Francis Beaufort. In Maths, we have been looking at number bonds to 100 in year 2 and year 1 has been looking at taking away. In RE we have been retelling the nativity story and understanding why the Kings worshipped baby Jesus.

Class 2: This week a little bird told me that the children have been pulling their socks up learning about idioms! The children matched idioms with their meaning and identified different idioms in text. They were set a challenge to try to use an idiom at home so beware!

In Science we have been making classification keys to sort different animals and we have also been learning numbers in Spanish. In RE we have been learning about baptism and also The Messiah.

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

The Sun – Books for Schools

From Saturday, 23rd November The Sun newspaper and the Sun on Sunday will be printing book tokens for schools to collect for the Big Cat books (which is the books that match our phonics scheme). If you know anyone who buys the Sun newspaper please ask them to save the tokens for us as we need 3,500 tokens in order to get £600 worth of free books.

Coffee Morning reminder

We will be holding our annual coffee morning in Haltwhistle's Methodist Church Hall on Saturday, 30th November at 9.30am. Please could you return the slip sent last week if you can help either on the Friday at 3.00pm to set up and/or on the Saturday. We would be very grateful for donations of raffle prizes, tombola prizes, baking and any second hand books and games.

Reception & KS1 Trip to the Life Centre – 13th December

As part of their topic work this half term, our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children from across the Federation will be visiting the Life Centre to see the Planetarium and enjoy an ice skating session on the outdoor ice rink. A letter is being sent home today with further details.

Non-Uniform Day

Friday, 6th December will be a non-uniform day and we are asking for donations of chocolate for our famous Chocolate Mountain!

On behalf of the Governors of the Federation I would like to express the thanks of everyone connected to our two schools to staff, children and parents for their responses to the recent inspections of their Christian dimension. All need to be thanked and praised for the way in which our schools have been shown to the inspectors. I would especially like to thank Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Fairless for their overall leadership, Mrs Makepeace as Religious Education Leader and the Rev Benjamin Carter for his Collective Worship leadership. They often GIVE thanks, but we need to give our thanks TO them.

Both schools have been inspected within a month. This is a huge demand in terms of energy to prepare and to respond to inspectors' lines of enquiry - especially in a Federation where the burden falls on the same people each time. Well done everyone.

Of course we know the outcome of the Henshaw inspection and, whilst we are not expecting the Greenhead Report until just before Christmas, I'm confident that the inspector has seen the very best of us in our inspection at Greenhead yesterday.

I am particularly grateful to the children and the parents who spoke up for us so willingly, so perceptively and so confidently. Both inspectors made special mention of the contribution of these groups to the understanding of the school.

David Ratcliff
Chair of Governors

Yours,



Sarah Hutchinson
Executive Headteacher

