



## Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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### COVID UPDATE

As you will have been advised on Wednesday, we have had a child test positive from a LFD test. Please remain vigilant. As the rules around COVID testing have changed once again I attach the updated (as at 11/01/2022) flowchart for your information/assistance. We recommend checking the gov.uk website for up to date guidance.

### RSPB BIRD WATCH

The children are joining in with this year's RSPB Bird Watch and have all been given sheets to note which birds they see in their gardens. Can the forms be returned to school by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February so we can collate and report our findings. Let's hope we find some rare birds during our watch!

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## STARS OF THE WEEK



**Reception:** George for excellent homework on our "Starry night" topic.

**Class 1:** Harry for showing confidence to explain his working out in Maths.

**Class 2:** Layla for her excellent ideas in RE.

**Class 3:** Year 5- Ellie for growing her maths confidence and determination!  
Year 6- Oliver for always being cheerful and positive around school.

**Head Teacher award.**

Cadence for super maths last Friday with Mrs Fairless—well done!

## LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

### RECEPTION

This week reception have continued to explore their topic of Starry Night. We have looked at different people who work at night, and thought about why they need to work at this time. We have retold Peace at Last through making masks and drawing Mr Bear's house and thinking about why it was tricky for him to sleep at night.

In Phonics we have been practising some tricky words and looking at the sound "oo". The children have been really good at finding this sound in different words.

In Maths we've continued to compare different groups of numbers, thinking about more, less and equal to. We've used materials outside to show this, and even had a go at pouring water to make different amounts.

### CLASS 1

This week we have been busy looking at instructions in order to make cupcakes and sandwiches for our Royal Tea Party. The children were super excited to come dressed in their smart clothes for our own Royal Tea Party. We have also been learning about the countries that make up the United Kingdom.

In Maths, Year 1 has been looking at a range of strategies to work out addition calculations such as ten frames and number lines. Year 2 has been learning about the multiplication symbol and equal groups.

### CLASS 2

Class 2 have been geologists this week! The children have explored a variety of rocks and decided which are Sedimentary, Igneous and Metamorphic. We have also considered how these different types of rocks are used and what their properties are.

In our English sessions, we have explored non-chronological reports; the children took great pleasure in correcting a sample report and everyone was able to point out how this report could be improved.

The year 3 children have been concentrating on their times tables in this week's maths sessions, while the year 4 pupils have learning to multiply by 10 and 100.

In our RE lessons, the children have learned about how Jesus called upon his disciples. Everyone has worked very hard this week.

### CLASS 3

This week we have enjoyed Newcastle United, Commando Joe's and our weekly mandarin lesson with Tian.

In English the children have been working on their Allotment non-chronological reports. Both year 5 and year 6 have planned and began to draft these.

In Maths the year 5 children have been multiplying 2 digit by 1 digit and 3 digit by 1 digit numbers using various methods.

The year 6 children have been completing their reflection unit then moving onto understanding and identifying digits with three decimal places.

In Science we have studied life-cycles of animals and humans. The children wrote definitions for our key terms and constructed life-cycle diagrams that they then compared and contrasted, to identify similarities and differences!

Another productive successful week, well done everyone!



### Climate Change

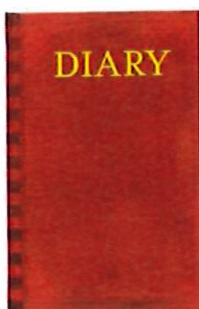
We recently participated in a Pupil Climate Change Meeting.

Two representatives from Year 6 joined some local schools via Zoom to discuss the impact of climate change and what part we can play in helping to reduce the effects.

They found the discussion to be very informative.

### This week's attendance

Reception	96%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	100%☺
Year 3	100%☺
Year 4	82%
Year 5	77%
Year 6	90%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>90%</b>



### Diary Dates:

- From 11<sup>th</sup> January - KS1 Swimming until Easter
- From 12<sup>th</sup> January – Year 6 SATs club 3pm-4pm with Mrs Fairless
- 18<sup>th</sup> January – Reception pyjama day!
- 20<sup>th</sup> January - Years 5/6 Allotment trip to Hexham
- 4<sup>th</sup> February - Bikeability Level 1; Years 3 and 4
- 7<sup>th</sup> February – Reception class eye tests
- 8<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - Kielder Observatory in school visit (more details to follow)
- 11<sup>th</sup> February - Lego Workshop in school

### YEAR 6 SATS CLUB – UPDATE

There will be no SATs club this Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

Club will restart from Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January from 3pm to 4pm.

## 100 CLUB DRAW

The first 100 club draw of 2022 has been drawn by Mrs Coleman, results as follows:

1st Julia Scott (27) £20

2nd Stephanie Wigham (4) £15

3rd David Ratcliff (15) £7

Congratulations to our winners!!!

### BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – UPDATE

We are very pleased to be able to announce that Breakfast and After School Clubs will recommence from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

Just a reminder of the times:

☺ Breakfast Club is 07.45 to 08.45 daily

☺ After School Club is 3pm to 5pm daily

Please book your child's place in advance to allow Mrs Knowles time to prepare activities and also have plenty of food and drinks available!

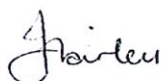
Cost is £4.20 per hour.

## Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds menu

(please note this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Bolognaise	Chicken burger and Potato Crispers	Meatballs and pasta with garlic bread	Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding with mash and gravy	Fish with potato crispers
OR				
Baguette with filling	Pasta	Quiche	Jacket potato with filling	Wrap with filling and salad
WITH				
Carrots and peas	Beans	Peas	Broccoli	Peas
Fruit meringue	Raspberry & white chocolate muffin	Jelly and fruit	Iced muffin	Chunky Chocolate Cookie and milkshake
Fresh fruit/Yogurt available daily				

Yours



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