

Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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We are very happy to announce that Mrs Hancock will be back cooking the dinners for both schools at Henshaw on Monday 13th November and Miss Reynolds will be serving the dinners at Greenhead.

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynold's Menu w/c 13/11/17

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

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Mince & Dumplings, Mashed Potato, Green Beans & Beetroot | Chicken Curry, Cous Cous, Sweetcorn & Naan Bread | Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato & Carrots | Meatballs, Pasta, Peas & Homemade Bread | Salmon & Cod Fishcakes, Beans & Chips |
| Carrot Cake | Pineapple Upside Down Cake & | Fruit Crumble & Custard | Raspberry Cheesecake | Chocolate Brownie & Milkshake |





Stars of the Week

Reception – Jack for trying hard to settle in and make new friends

Class 1 – Ellie for working hard at her writing and spellings

Custard

Class 2 – All the Year 5s for their great hockey skills

Virtues & Values Award - Imogen N for being kind and helpful to the Henshaw children in Netball Club

Headteacher's Award – Olivia for completing her maths work independently this week – for persevering and trying so hard, well done!

Clothing

Hoodies- Can we remind you that the hoodie is part of the PE kit and should not be worn daily to replace the school jumper.

Can we also ask that all children have a warm, waterproof coat, hat and gloves in school as we aim to go outside in all weathers.

| Attendance w | /c 6 | /11 | /17 |
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| Reception | 96.7% |
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| Year 1 | 96.7% |
| Year 2 | 100% |
| Year 3 | 100% |
| Year 4 | 100% |
| Year 5 | 100% |
| Overall | 98.5% |

Learning Achievements

Reception: have been counting counters and using mirrors to double the number. They have also been looking at shiny objects.

Class 1: have been writing a recount and creating their own mini book. In Maths, Year 1 have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes and Year 2 have been looking at money problems

Class 2: have been learning all about the history of anaesthetic and Robert Liston the 'fastest knife in the West' who used the new substance from America known as ether to relive pain during operations. On a lighter note the children have been using their times table knowledge to help solve multiplication problems in maths. They worked together and choreographed and performed potion dances during our P.E lesson.

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

This week we had a visit from our School Improvement Partner. He monitored and evaluated the school's performance and highlighted some strengths and areas to focus on.

Strengths:

- Assessment and tracking systems in place and used consistently.
- Outcomes for pupils are good, especially disadvantaged pupils.
- Marking and feedback is clear and concise- children know what they are being asked to do and what they are being asked to improve upon.
- HLTA's are deployed effectively and use their own initiative consistently.
- Behaviour for learning is good-children are keen, enthusiastic and ready to learn.
- Governors challenge and support appropriately.

Areas to focus on:

- Reasoning and applying in maths.
- Higher order questioning
- Continue to challenge the more able children in all subjects.

Hockey

Our Yr 5 children took part in a Hockey session today delivered by the Tynedale School Sports Programme Teacher. They worked as a team and developed their skills throughout the activity – well done everyone!

Parent Forum

Monday 13th November, 2pm

A reminder that you are invited to come along for a refreshment and an informal chat with Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Fairless and share your views and opinions on how we can make improvements to our school.

Monday 13th-Friday 17th November is Antibullying week 'All different, all equal'

Anti-Bullying Week shines a spotlight on bullying and encourages all children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying throughout the year.

Aims:

This Anti-Bullying Week we want to:

- empower children and young people to celebrate what makes them, and others, unique
- help children and young people understand how important it is that every child feels valued and included in school, able to be themselves, without fear of bullying
- encourage parents and carers to work with their school and talk to their children about bullying, difference and equality
- enable teachers to celebrate what makes us 'all different, all equal' and celebrate difference and equality.

All children will be looking at the above points in further detail during assemblies and PSHE sessions.

Children in Need

Friday, 17th November.

Just a reminder that children can come to school in their "spotty stuff" for a suggested donation of £1. Please also send in any loose change to cover Pudsey and we will be selling biscuits for 50p.

Dance Club

There will be no Sports Club on Monday, 13th November. Instead we are having a "one-off" dance club led by a qualified dance instructor. 3.30 – 4.00pm - £3.50

New School Email Address

We have recently moved over to Google Mail and our email address has changed to:

admin@greenheadprimary.uk

We have been informed by County Hall that any emails sent to a '....@northumberland.gov.uk' address will not be delivered. Thank you.

Educational Visits

A huge thank you to all parents/carers who have made contributions towards the educational visits that we have planned for the children in order to enhance and consolidate their learning experiences in school. However, if enough contributions are not made, we as a school cannot consistently subsidise the full cost of each educational visit and, should this be the case, sadly, we cannot organise further trips in the future.

Yours,

Sarah Hutchinson

Executive Headteacher