



Greenhead CE Nursery and Primary School

Newsletter

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A Message from the Head Teacher

Welcome to summer term and the lovely, sunny and (hopefully) warm weather! All classes have settled in well after the Easter holidays and have made a wonderful start to their new focuses in learning.

We continue to offer a wide range of after school activities to engage our children in extra-curricular sports and clubs. Thank you for collecting children promptly at the end of these sessions as school staff give their own time to provide these enhancements for our school community.

Teachers continue to regularly post on our Facebook page, please check this out to keep up to date with what your children are learning and the wonderful environment that they are learning in.

From next week, children will be able to purchase ice pops on a Tuesday and Thursday. These will be for 30p each.

I hope you all enjoy the sun and good weather this weekend, we have waited long enough for it!

Best wishes, Mr Glenton

The West Tyne Federation at Chelsea Flower Show

We are thrilled to announce that Charlotte in Year 3, from the Federation has won a competition from the National Trust to go to the Chelsea Flower Show in London, what an amazing achievement! As part of their work in school, they designed a beautiful picture of Sycamore Gap and wrote a poem about what the tree means to our community.

There will be more details to come (some of which we are not able to share!) but look out for our Federation being on and in the news soon!



Class News

Early Years

Eden class have been learning about the life cycles of plants and animals through stories such as the Hungry Caterpillar. We are observing our class caterpillars closely and making observations on the changes. We have continued to care for God's wonderful world by growing our own vegetables in the allotment. The children can now identify parts of a plant, seed, roots, shoot, leaves and flower. In maths the children have explored doubling, sharing and grouping. At home you could challenge your child to share food equally.

Clyde Class

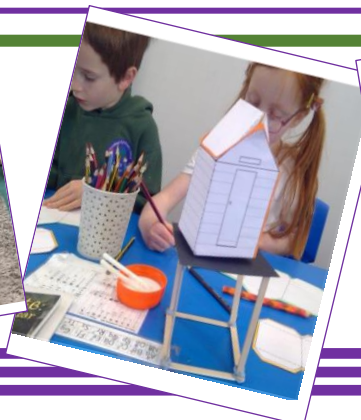
This week in English we have been writing a recount of Whiffy Wilson's first day at school. In maths we have been exploring direction and position. To support your child at home with directions ask them to describe how they can get around the garden or room using keyword such as left, right, forwards and backwards. We have enjoyed exploring cold habitats in Science and identifying which living things you will find there. In DT we have made beach huts where we used our plans and designs to create them.

Danube Class

This week we have been learning about time in maths. We have been identifying times on analogue and digital clocks. Through rhymes and songs we have been reciting how many days there are in each of the months, discussing how this changes in a leap year. In art we have continued with our ammonite project beginning the process of creating our print. We traced out our ammonite inspired design and transferred this to a polystyrene tile, ready to use to print. In English we have begun to compose and write some persuasive letters. As always we thank you for your support with reading, spelling and times tables at home. In June will be the Year 4 multiplication check so please could this be a focus at home.

Mississippi Class

Mississippi class have written some fab persuasive texts in English this week, trying to persuade the reader to join Beowulf in his fight against the monsters. They used their knowledge from our class text to help them write an engaging piece of work. In maths, year 5 have been adding and subtracting decimals and year 6 have been revisiting fractions, decimals and percentages. We have enjoyed playing handball in P.E and taking part in outdoor adventurous activities - last week we took part in orienteering in the Nature Garden. Finally, in D.T we have been working with Mrs Hosking to design and make our own soup recipe. Year 6 have worked incredibly hard recently to practise for their SATs; please make sure they have a relaxing weekend this weekend before we begin SATs week next week!



Our School Promise

Our School Promise reminds us of our vision and values that we hold dear at The West Tyne Church Schools Federation.

Well done to the following children for achieving their awards:

Learning Award - Joe, Oskar, Harrison, Lewis

Resilience & Teamwork Award - Finn, Jasper, Charlie

Etiquette Award - Henry, Jessica B

Environmental Award - John-Paul, Gracie, Owen

Kindness Award - Faith, Lily

Inclusion Award - Briar, Harris

Friendship Award - Layla, Jack, Lily

Role model Award - George H, James



Attendance - our target is 96%

Each and every day your child is in school counts. It helps them to remember their prior learning from the day before but also build on this learning the next day. Thank you for your continued support by ensuring your child is in school every day to give them the best education and life chances.

Eden - 93.3%

Clyde - 92.59%

Danube - 95.96%

Mississippi - 95.24%

Whole School - 94.28%

Calling all Readers!

At Greenhead Primary School, we love to read! We have our school library, shelves full of books within each classroom and our reading buddies provision; where younger children and older children get together every fortnight to read and explore books.

We would like to ask if there are any parents (or grandparents) who could commit to coming into school, on a regular basis (for example, every Thursday afternoon) to share stories and listen to our wonderful children read. If you have the time to do this, please contact Mrs Coleman at the office for more information.

Save the date: Sports Day and Summer Fair!

We are pleased to announce the date of our Federation Sports day this year, which again will take place at The Wentworth Leisure Centre in Hexham. **Monday 15th July** from 1pm to 3pm. Save the date and more information to follow.

Dates for the Diary

Week commencing 13th May - Year 6 SATS week

Tuesday 21st May - Year 2 Synagogue visit, Year 1 visiting Newbrough Primary

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May - Half Term week

Wednesday 5th June - West African wildlife workshops

Thursday 6th June - Year 5.6 Synagogue visit (details to follow)

Friday 7th June - Rearranged netball festival for Year 5.6 (afterschool)

Tuesday 2nd July - Year 3.4 Temple workshop at school

Wednesday 10th July to Friday 12th July - Lockerbie Residential for Years 5 and 6

Monday 15th July - Federation Sports Day and Summer Fair at the Wentworth Leisure Centre

Summer Term 2 - Year 5 and 6 will be swimming for the final half term

Confirmed Teacher Training Days

We have now confirmed Teacher Training Days for next year (24/25). These will be on:

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 28th April 2025

School will be closed to families on these days. We have tried to triangulate these with other schools in our area for our local families.

A final thought...

Rise above the storm and you will find the sunshine

Mario Fernandez