



Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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Childhood Nasal Flu Vaccine Programme

The school nurses will be visiting us on Monday 8th November to administer the Nasal Flu Immunisations. This programme was postponed from last term. Consent forms have been received and this will be taking place for all Year 1 to Year 5 children as part of the Winter 2021 Programme.

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STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception:

Cadence for her caring attitude towards her friends in class and trying hard counting forwards and backwards to 10.

Class 1:

Year 1- Hannah. For excellent, efficient maths work!

Year 2- Faith. For excellent improvements with her handwriting!

Class 2:

Evie for excellent understanding of poetic language

Class 3:

Rachel for writing a lovely introduction to her Cheng Tang biography.

Head Teacher award.

Finn- for being a polite, kind and helpful member of our school community and for always working hard in lesson time- well done!

LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

RECEPTION

This week we have started the new topic 'Once upon a time'. This is a lovely way of developing the children's love of reading, re-telling and acting out familiar and traditional stories.

Mrs Knowles, with the help of the children, have transformed the home corner into a fantastic castle.

The children have enjoyed dressing up as wizards, princesses and story characters.

In maths, the children have been gaining a deeper understanding of numbers to 4 by counting and subitising sets up to 4 objects in various forms.

We have also made some fantastic firework pictures to coincide with our lesson on 'Why we have Bonfire night?'

CLASS 1

The children in class one have made a great start to our new half term!

In English, both the year one and two children have been working on their punctuation skills this week, editing given sentences and their own writing to ensure the necessary capital letters and full stops are included!

In Maths, the year one children have been working on addition and subtraction, breaking numbers apart, creating fact families and counting back.

The year two children have also been working on addition and subtraction, crossing ten, adding two-digit and one-digit numbers using exchanging and column methods.

In Science we have answered our Autumn two pop tasks questions and also a big question- 'Is a tree alive?' There were some great scientific answers!

CLASS 2

The children in class 2 have become poets this week!

We have explored the syllable and word class patterns of cinquains and we have linked these to our learning on the Iron Age too.

Everyone has shown an impressive understanding of addition and subtraction this week as we have learned to use different formal methods. We have also continued to work on learning our times tables and it has been a delight to see everyone putting effort into this at home!

Our RE sessions have focused on the Gospels and we have explored how Luke, Matthew and John tell story of Christ's birth.

CLASS 3

In class 3 this week we have been learning Mandarin! We had our first lesson via zoom with Tian and learnt to count to ten and to say hello. The children did really well despite a few technical difficulties.

The children created their own mangonel in science as they were introduced to levers as part of their new topic. The mangonels fired ping pong balls across the hall and some travelled quite a distance.

In maths the children have been learning about the order of operations and interpreting two-way tables to answer questions.

Writing their biography about Cheng Tang has been our English focus this week, with the children editing and improving their first draft.

NUFC is still on a Monday and swimming on a Tuesday but **there is no Commando Joes on a Wednesday this half term, so normal school uniform on a Wednesday please.**

We need 2 litre clear plastic bottles to transform into poppies for Remembrance Day on Thursday. If you have any at home please send them to school.

PE KITS

This half term, until Friday 17th December, the children will need to come into school in their PE kit on the following days:
Years 3/4/5/6/- Monday and Tuesday
Reception, Years 1 and 2- Monday and Wednesday (Forest School session on Wednesday so wellies too please!)

This week's attendance

Reception	80%
Year 1	100% 😊
Year 2	93%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	100% 😊
Year 5	96%
Year 6	86%
Overall	94%

Donations please!

If anyone has any glass jars with lids please can they be sent into school with your child.
Thank you!

NUFC after school club reminder

After school club starts on Monday 8th November. You will have received an email to confirm your child's place. We do still have spaces left but be quick!!



PTA Christmas fundraiser



Due to the success of selling the hot chocolate cones and reindeer food/ dust last year, we would like to do it again to raise more funds for the children via the PTA. We will be adding some extra items onto the list this year!

Everything will need to be pre-ordered and paid for in advance.

This year's items include:

- 😊 Hot chocolate cones
- 😊 Reindeer dust/food
- 😊 Hot chocolate stirrers
- 😊 Marshmallow snowmen
- 😊 Christmas cookie mix in a jar

Order forms with prices on will be arriving home via your child soon.
Thank you!

PRIMARY & FIRST SCHOOL APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Online Portal for Admissions to First and Primary Schools is now Open for children starting school in September 2022 (dob: 1.09.2017-31.08.2018). You must complete an application for a place in a Reception class even if your child attends the school nursery or pre-school setting. Further information can be found on the School Admissions page by following the link below.

[More about Online Portal for Admissions to First and Primary Schools available here](#)

Children in Need

On Friday 19th November the children are invited to come to school dressed in spots or stripes in exchange for a donation to Children in Need.

Poppy Appeal/ reminder

Poppies and accessories for the Poppy Appeal are available for purchase until Friday 12th November. Please see Mrs Coleman in the school office for purchases.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We have noticed some children have begun to bring chocolate, nut products and crisps in with their lunches.

Can we remind you that these, along with fizzy drinks, aren't allowed in school. Healthy snacks only please.

We have a staff member and a child with a nut allergy so we would ask that no nut based products should be brought into school for their safety.

Thank you

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB INVITATION BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

When: Every Wednesday from 10th November to 8th December

Where: School hall/Class 2 classroom

What time: 3pm to 4pm

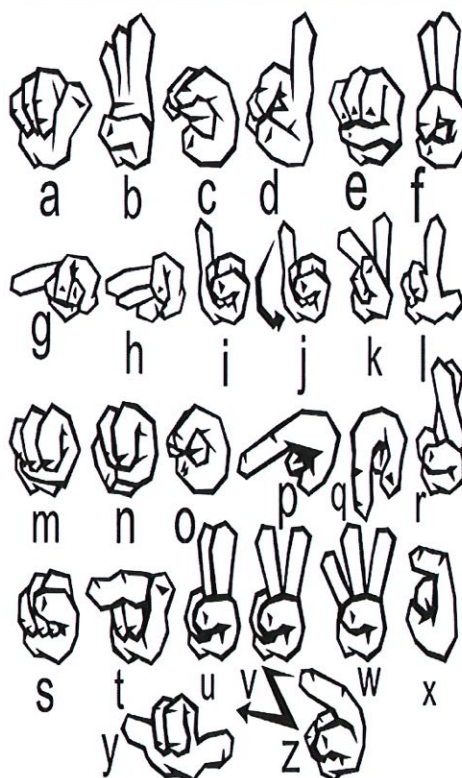
Instructor: Mrs Hosking

What you will learn:

- Alphabet
- Basic signs
- Animals
- Colours
- A Christmas Carol

This club is limited to 10 children and anyone from Reception to Year 6 is welcome.

Please contact Mrs Coleman in the School Office to book your child's place.



SCHOOL GATES

We will be locking the car park gate in the morning. This is for the children's safety. Please use the small gate next to the car park to come into the School Reception and Nursery. Thank you

BREAKFAST AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

Breakfast and Afterschool club runs Monday to Friday 07.45 to 08.45 and 3.00pm to 5.00pm and costs £4.20 per hour.

Can we ask that you book in advance so Mrs Knowles has numbers and can plan food and activities accordingly.

Thank you

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds menu

(please note this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry, couscous & naan bread	Cheesy Shepherd's Pie	Cooked Ham with Hash Browns	Sausage, mash and gravy	Chicken goujons, potato crispers and beans
OR				
Jacket Potato with filling	Chicken baguette	Macaroni Cheese	Tortilla wrap with filling and salad	Pasta
WITH				
Carrot sticks Cucumber sticks	Peas or Beetroot	Beans	Baby carrots	Beans
Shortcake biscuit and fruit juice	Angel Delight	Steamed jam sponge and custard	Flapjack	Raspberry ripple ice cream
Fresh fruit and yogurt available daily				



Stay safe this Bonfire weekend and if you are going to fireworks displays, have fun!

Yours

Sarah Hutchinson
Executive Head teacher

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