



Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter No.12 27/11/20

West Tyne Federation of Schools

Headteacher—Mrs Sarah Hutchinson

BA (Hons) Primary Education

Greenhead

Brampton

CA8 7HB

Tel 016977 47347

admin@greenheadprimary.uk



Stars of the Week



Reception: Evie for being a good friend.

Class 1: Finley for always being helpful towards his friends and all the staff in school. He has also worked hard solving new different concepts in Maths.

Class 2: Rachel for impressing both Miss Callaghan and our NUFC visitor with her fantastic vocabulary.

Class 3: Elizabeth for creating a fantastic nonet poem.

Mrs Hutchinson's Head teacher Award: Kate - For always going above and beyond with either her school work or to help her friends and for sharing her talent of calligraphy with others in school - well done!

Learning Achievements

Reception: This week Reception have been busy learning about road safety including how to cross the road in a safe way. We have also been looking at hot air balloons and exploring with balloons and made our own hot air balloons. In Maths we have been looking at positional language and what the number four looks like within different environments.

Class 1: This week we have been learning about the Great Fire of London and we pretended to be Samuel Pepys and wrote diaries of the events from the fire. In Maths, we have been looking at adding and taking away two two-digit numbers and comparing number sentences.

Class 2: This week we have been brushing up on our acting skills! The children have acted out Romeo and Juliet and then retold the main events of the play in their own words. We have also been learning about the Holy Trinity in our R.E sessions and the boys and girls wrote their own song verses. In Maths, the children have been working hard on subtraction and estimating answers. As always, everyone has worked so hard!

Class 3: In class 3 this week the children have been simplifying fractions, converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and finding both multiples and factors. In English, the children have been using the cutting up technique linked to the surrealist and Dada art movement to create a descriptive text about an everyday object. The children also took a virtual tour of Paris and visited some of the city's famous landmarks.

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

Please can we remind you that we are trying to reduce the amount of items that come into school each day. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a piece of fruit everyday via the Fruit for school scheme. Children need a water bottle, warm coat and can now bring a hat and gloves due to the change in the weather. Children do not need rucksacks or pencil cases. Thank you.

Attendance w/c 23/11/20

Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	97.1%
Year 6	95.6%
Overall	98.6%

PTA news

Friday 4th December- Non uniform day in exchange for a chocolate donation for our famous chocolate hampers!

Numbers for the hamper will be available from Monday 7th December onwards from Mrs Tapscott at the cost of £1 each. Children will be allocated numbers on a first come, first served basis e.g. the first child to bring in their £1 will be allocated number 1 etc...

Also, from Monday 30th November, there will be a 'Guess how many Christmas sweets in the jar' displayed in the school entrance for £1 per guess. A sheet of numbers will be next to the jar and children can select their guess and write their name next to it.

Winners will be announced on Thursday 17th December.

[COVID-19 Winter Plan.pdf](#)

Nurseries, schools and colleges should not change their Christmas holidays or close early this term. Parents should continue to send their children to school during term time and students should continue to attend college right up until the end of term – our senior clinicians continue to advise that the best place for children and young people is in education. A time-limited change to social restrictions over Christmas does not require any children to be taken out of school prematurely. The leaders and staff of education settings have been doing an extraordinary job to remain open, keep settings safe and provide education.

Obviously there may be for some the need to close as directed by Public Health, the LA or the DfE; but unless this is the case the current guidance and clear direction from the DfE is to remain open up to the end of term.

Festive fun!

This year will be very different for our children but, with the help of the Church and the PTA, we will be able to provide the children with a lot of festive activities and we may even have a special visitor...!

Week 1

The children will be decorating a wooden Christmas decoration which will be displayed in the local railway station as part of COOP in the Community scheme.

Friday 4th December- Non uniform day in exchange for a chocolate donation.

Week 2

The children will be creating angels, one to be displayed in their window at home for others to look out for and one to be displayed in church as part of the community display- more information from Rev Carter to follow.

Thursday 10th December- Christmas dinner day- Christmas hats can be worn if the children would like to.

Week 3-

Tuesday 15th December - Christingle Service Zoom service

Thursday 17th December - Christmas jumper day (suggested donation of £1 to go to Save the Children))

Chocolate hamper raffle and Christmas sweets in the jar draw

Special visitor!

Friday 18th December

Change to end of the school day.

Staff will be participating in an in house training session on Friday afternoon which includes organising their classrooms and resources in preparation for the following term.

Children will need to be collected by 1pm. If your child travels to and from school via school transport, they will be collected at the earlier time of 1pm. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

Although we previously stated that we would not be doing Christmas cards this year, we realise that the sending and receiving of Christmas cards is very important to the children and we would like them to have some normality this year! However, to comply with our risk assessment, the giving and receiving of Christmas cards will be a little different this year. Children will be allowed to bring in Christmas cards to give to their friends, but they must only be for children in their class. The cards will be quarantined when they are brought into school, so please send them in a small sandwich bag or wrapped in an elastic band. Teachers will hand them out on the last week of term. The last 'postal' date for cards into school is Thursday, 10th December. Please could children be encouraged not to lick the envelopes for hygiene reasons.

Christingle Service information

This year we are unable to have an audience for our Christingle Service due to the current COVID-19 restrictions. However, we would like to video the service and make it available to you to watch at home via our Google classroom platform.

However, this does throw up a few more challenges with regards to permission to take part. We are aware that some parents are uncomfortable with having their children videoed and we ask that parents should be respectful and must not share the video on any social media platform or with anyone other than direct family.

Safeguarding the children is our priority and it is everyone's responsibility to keep the children safe. Therefore, with this in mind, please complete and return the form below giving specific permission for your child/ren to be videoed during the Christingle Service.

We will notify you when we have uploaded the service to Google classroom. Please make sure that you can access Google classroom using the details shared by your child's class teacher. Any problems, please contact your child's class teacher.

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 30/11/20

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato & Carrots OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Mince & Dumplings, Mashed Potato & Green Beans OR Baguette with Filling	Tomato Pasta Bake & Sweetcorn OR Quiche	Pork & Sage Pie, Wedges & Peas OR Tortilla Wrap & Salad	Salmon Fish Fingers, New Potatoes & Beans OR Pasta with Chicken & Sweetcorn Mayo
Apple Crumble & Custard	Carrot Cake	Strawberry Cheesecake	Flapjack	Frozen Fruit Smoothie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Yours,



Sarah Hutchinson
Executive Headteacher

Please complete the slip and return in by Monday 30th November

- I give permission for my child to take part in the Christingle Service led by Rev Carter via ZOOM YES/ NO
- I give permission for my child to be video recorded YES/NO
- I give permission for the video recordings to be shared to Google classroom YES/NO
- I understand that I must not share the video with anyone who is not direct family YES/NO
- I understand that I must not share the video on any social media platform YES/NO

Signed.....

Date.....

Tynedale Hospice at Home – online event

Join in the FUN with our Christmas Tree Festival FUNdraiser!

Donate as much or as little as you can to support Tynedale Hospice at Home and help us to keep our services available to local people

It's not all about trees, anything festive to bring a smile to our faces is most welcome

📌 Decorations - homemade decorations especially appreciated.

📌 Festive baking - from savoury to sweet, and include the recipes if you can

📌 Christmas Jumpers - we all love a Christmas Jumper

📌 PETS in Jumpers - who doesn't dress up their pet at Christmas?

📌 Crafts - drawings, paintings, and creations you want to share **PLUS** anything else festive to bring a smile to our faces

<https://givepenny.com/appeal-for/Tynedale-Hospice-Christmas-2020>

Simply upload your image and make a donation. A receipt will be sent automatically to your email.

Thank you for supporting Tynedale Hospice at Home