

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Dear Parents

### **School Day**

In order to conform to new Ofsted and DfE guidelines, we need to extend the school day for children as they are required to have a new minimum amount of teaching time per week. After consideration, and taking into account bus/taxi commitments, we have decided that all children should arrive at school for 8.45am and enter through the front door and go straight to their classrooms. KS2 registration time will be 8.50, which will add an extra 10 minutes of teaching per day to be in line with the new legislation.

### **Sunshine!**

We've all enjoyed the sunshine this week and hope it lasts! In hot weather it is advisable that the children wear sun cream and wear a sun hat. They also need to have their water bottles with them. If you wish us to apply sun cream to your child please send it in (with their name on) together with the completed permission slip. We would ask that children wear suitable school shoes and do not wear sandals as we have had several incidents of stubbed toes.

### **PE Kit**

Please can you ensure your child has a PE kit in school at all times – shorts, t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms (**not** jeans please), a hoodie and appropriate footwear (trainers or sand shoes). Those children who attend Forest School Club on a Friday should bring old, warm clothes to change into.

### **Reception**

Please could Reception children bring an old pillowcase into school for an activity on Tuesday.

### **Wanted!**

Balls of wool for weaving for Class 1 please.

### **Stars of the Week**

Reception – Scarlett Barrett for fantastic phonics work  
Class 1 – Lily-Mai Thompson for great work on shape properties  
Class 2 – Everyone for working hard for Miss Lynch  
Handwriter of the week – Rebecca Famelton-Wardle

**Please can trophies be returned by Fridays**

### **Milk**

Please note, even if your child is entitled to free school milk (under 5 or in receipt of free school meals) it still needs to be ordered. Forms available from the school office.

## Reading Scheme

The children in Class 1 will be coming home with a letter and a log-in for a new reading scheme "Reading Eggs" which Mrs Fairless is trialling to improve reading skills and phonics.

## Internet Safety

We have been informed by County Hall that they have received two reports this week of police investigations into the misuse of social networking platforms, specifically children being persuaded to 'friend' and interact with individuals who then act inappropriately towards them.

With this in mind, we would like to highlight the need to closely monitor your children's internet activities, in particular their use of the latest apps, websites and games.

The NSPCC has produced some excellent advice for parents on their 'Share Aware' website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>

In addition, the 'Net Aware' site has specific advice on the 50+ most popular sites, games and apps used by young people.

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/?order=-popularity>

Oovoo in particular has raised significant safety concerns and additional advice on this site can be found on the parentINFO / CEOP site:

<http://parentinfo.org/article/oovoo-everything-you-need-to-know>

If you need any further help or guidance please let me know. Thank you.

## Mrs Hancock, Miss Mitchinson & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 16.5.16

(Please note this menu may be subject to change)

Due to staff absence, there will be a packed lunch on Tuesday.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Tacos, Salad & Wedges	Packed lunch: Chicken Sandwich Flapjack Jelly Squeeze Fruit Bag	Lasagne, Homemade Bread, Peas & Salad	Chicken Casserole with Herb Dumplings, New Potatoes & Green Beans	Pizza, Chips & Beans
Blueberry Muffin	Fruit Juice or Water	Raspberry Cheesecake	Frozen Fruit Smoothie	Chocolate Brownie & Strawberry Milkshake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt		Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Yours,

Judith Meek  
Acting Head Teacher

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## Sun Cream

I give permission for staff at Greenhead School to apply sun cream to

..... (name of child/ren)

Signed ..... Date .....