

Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynold's Menu w/c 20/11/17 (Please note – this menu may be subject to change)

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tomato Pasta,	Lasagne,	Roast Beef, Yorkshire	Steak Pie, Peas &	Chicken Baguette.
Sweetcorn &	Homemade Bread	Pudding, Mashed	Mashed Potato	Beans & Chips
Homemade Bread	& Salad	Potato & Carrots		
Sticky Toffee pudding	Fruit Meringue	Angel Delight	Marble Cake &	Oaty Biscuit & Fruit
& Custard			Custard	Juice
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt



Stars of the Week

Reception – Anabella for working hard using her phonics to spell words

Class 1 – Aleeah for using her super computer skills to write sentences

Class 2 - Elias for a very humorous version of the death scene in Romeo and Juliet.

Pen licence – Lily-Mai received hers last week – well done!

Virtues & Values Award – Arthur, Elias, Scarlett and James for showing great kindness to another child whilst making Pudsey biscuits

Headteacher's Award - Oliver for his fantastic handwriting; much improved! Keep it up Oliver!

We have had such a fantastic start to the new school year and we can't believe that there are only a few weeks left to go until the Christmas holidays! We have got lots of lovely activities planned for the children in the New Year too.

We really appreciate the feedback from 1:1 arranged meetings and from our parent forum sessions. One of the points identified by parents, staff and governors alike is behaviour and behaviour for learning. As such we have updated our Federation behaviour management plan and this will be shared with you along with a form to say that you have read and understood it (Our full behaviour policy will also be available on the school website) Once again, thank you all for your continued support in all areas of our school life; it is much appreciated.

Attendance w/c 13/11/17

Reception	77.7%
Year 1	73.3%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	85.7%
Year 4	96.7%
Year 5	90%
Overall	84.1%

Unfortunately, our attendance has been very low this week due to various bugs that have been doing the rounds!



Learning Achievements

Reception: have been learning about Snow White and using language relating to money. They enjoyed making Pudsey Bear biscuits for Children in Need day.

Class 1: have been looking at poetry and creating their own class poem. In Maths, they have continued working on shapes and money. They made Pudsey Bear biscuits with the rest of the school.

Class 2: In English they have been reading the story of Romeo and Juliet; they have created their own version of the story and are busy writing play scripts. In Maths the children are continuing to multiply and divide. They enjoyed a football themed dance lesson with Eve and learnt about the 3 different stages of dance. They took the lead in a whole school bake afternoon making Pudsey bear biscuits.

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

All planning and details of future projects will be on the website along with homework and spelling lists

Each class now has an email address that we can enhance communication with parents/ carers. The email addresses can be used as a sharing platform whereby parents could emails and photographs of their children completing homework activities or as evidence of them applying a new skills e.g. paying for something in a shop using money after learning about money in class, using different shapes to construct an object etc...

The class teacher can then discuss this with the child or the child can share their photographs with the rest of the class at various times during the week.

Reception/Key Stage 1 greenheadks1receptionparents@gmail.com

Key Stage 2 greenheadkeystage2parents@gmail.com

Staff update-Mrs Clarke is now our Federation SENDCO. She will be working closely with parents, children and teachers in both schools as well as Mrs Chapman our Inclusion and Wellbeing Coordinator.

Dilston Hall - KS2

A reminder that all permission slips and voluntary contributions need to be returned to school by **Monday, 20**th **November.** As we will be outside, children will need warm coats, hats, gloves, scarves and wellies.

Nasal Flu Vaccine

This will be administered to children in Reception and Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 on Friday, 1st December. Consent forms will be sent out nearer the time.

Homework Club

Children will have the opportunity to take part in a homework club on Wednesdays (KS1) and Thursdays (KS2) straight after lunch from 12.30 – 12.50pm. This is for subject homework only e.g. spelling practice, maths homework etc. Topic based homework projects should be completed at home.

Coffee morning

Saturday, 25th November

We have enough volunteers to go ahead! Thank you all so much!

Any raffle prizes, tombola prizes and cake/scone donations would be gratefully received (please note that the Haltwhistle coffee morning clientele much prefer smaller slices instead of whole cakes if possible...)

The children will be making and decorating biscuits and Christmas decorations to sell on the morning.

Free School Meals

We would urge anyone who thinks they may be eligible to apply for Free School Meals. As you will be aware, ALL children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 are offered a free lunch but being in receipt of Free School Meals also entitles your child to free milk, subsidised school trips, music lessons, etc. Also, pupils who are registered for Free School Meals enable our school to receive additional funding in the form of the Pupil Premium.

Apply online at www.northumberland.gov.uk – follow the link to Education

Please take care when accessing the path at the rear entrance of the school as the paving slabs are uneven. Mr Sant has been informed of this issue and will be rectifying the situation as soon as possible. In the meantime there will be a cone placed on the uneven slab as a deterrent. The children have been informed about this too.

Church Assembly

You are invited to join us in church on Friday, 1st December at 9.15am for a celebration assembly.

After School Club

There will be no After School Club on Monday, 11th December as staff will be attending Child Protection training.

Netball superstars!

We had our first Federation netball tournament yesterday at Newbrough and the children thoroughly enjoyed it! I am a very proud Headteacher! The children worked really well as a team and were impeccably behaved throughout-excellent ambassadors for the Federation!

A huge thank you to Ms Steele and Mrs Milburn for taking the children to Newbrough and helping with supervision and, of course, to Mrs Makepeace for organising the event!

Children in Need - Spotacular!



The children have had a lovely day raising funds for Children in Need! There were lots of wonderful spotty outfits and everyone enjoyed their Pudsey biscuits and covering Pudsey with coins.

We raised the great sum of £85. Well done!

Letter-join

We use Letter-join at school – a program which has many handwriting resources. This can be accessed at home for your child to use.

www.letter-join.co.uk user name: green password: head

Yoga Session

As part of Anti-Bullying Week, our Reception and Key stage 1 children enjoyed a Yoga session on Wednesday. Thank you to Cat Roberts, from Kalma Babies, for delivering the session.

Yours,

Sarah Hutchinson

Executive Headteacher