

***Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter***

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**Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds Lunch Menu for week commencing : Monday 15th March 2021
(Please note this menu may be subject to change)**

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| **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| Sausage, mash, Yorkshire pudding & gravyORJacket Potato with filling | Steak pie, new potatoesORBaguette with filling | Cooked ham, wedgesORJacket Potato with filling | Lasagne & garlic breadORBaguette with filling | Cheesy pizza, wedgesORTortilla wrap with filling |
| Green Beans | Broccoli | Beans | Sweetcorn | Beans |
| Shortcake biscuit & fruit juice | Angel delight | Marble cake & custard | Jelly & fruit | Raspberry & white chocolate muffin & milkshake |
| Fresh fruit/Yogurt | Fresh fruit/Yogurt | Fresh fruit/Yogurt | Fresh fruit/Yogurt | Fresh fruit/Yogurt |

**Welcome back everyone!**

We have had a great first week back, re-establishing friendships, welcoming new pupils and showing kindness to one another. Today we have also seen such enthusiasm about reading and a range of amazing costumes and cosy pyjamas!

Staff have worked hard to ensure that the environments are as inspiring as ever and our focus has been to ensure that all children have been reassured and happy and feel as safe as possible. We enjoyed seeing them interact with each other, socialising, sharing experiences and just being together.

There has been a lot of talk in the press about ‘Catch Up’, we know that it is about recovery of the whole child, not just academically, but emotionally and socially, and that is our priority. Ensuring that all children are re-familiarised with routines, expectations and know that they are nurtured and supported in whichever way they need is very important to us as a staff team.

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|  | **Stars of the Week** |  |

**Reception/Class 1** : George for fantastic effort in English and Maths.

**Class 2**: Jessica B for a hard-working attitude in all lessons.

**Class 3**: All the children for settling back in class, it is a delight to see you all again!

**Head Teacher award**

All childrenfor demonstrating resilience, kindness, and a greatattitude towards their learning- well done everyone!

**PE kit days reminder**

Please can the children come to school in PE kit and trainers on the following days:

**Reception/ KS1- Monday and Thursday**

**Years 3 and 4- Monday and Thursday**

**Years 5 and 6- Monday and Friday**

**Learning Achievements**

**Reception:** This week in English we have been reading ‘The Gingerbread Man’.

We have worked on sounding out words like ‘big’ and ‘fox’. In Maths the children have been doing some great work on addition to 10 and finding out what ‘greater than’ and ‘less than’ means. We talked about the characters we had dressed up as for World Book Day and read some stories chosen by the children.

**Class 1:** We have been reading ‘The Hat Maker’s Son’ in English and the children have done some brilliant work miming the story. The children came into school in a lovely array of different costumes for World Book Day and enjoyed reading lots of exciting stories. In Maths, the Year Twos been learning about the properties of 3D shapes. The Year Ones have been investigating weights and they have been busy in the classroom measuring as many things as they could find!

**Class 2:** It has been wonderful to have everyone back together again and we have all enjoyed a much-needed catch up! This week we have been learning about different sentence types while practicing our punctuation skills. We have also been brushing up on our times table skills and have also learned to multiply and divide by 10 and 100. During our PE sessions, we have been working on our coordination and team work skills.
**Class 3**: This week the children have been continuing their english unit on Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson.  They have been describing the two main characters and using non-finite subordinating clauses in their written work.  In maths the year 6 children have been learning the difference between an expression and an equation.  While the year 5 children have been comparing, adding and subtracting fractions.  In history we have been learning about the metal alloy bronze and the significant impact this had on the Bronze age people.

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

**COVID-19 update**

We would encourage all families to let school know if any of you are showing any COVID symptoms.

The symptoms of Corona virus are:

* a new, continuous cough
* a high temperature
* a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If your child or any family member displays these symptoms, the current government guidance around testing and self-isolation must be followed. If a child presents these symptoms in school, they will be isolated from other pupils and we will ask for them to be collected. At this point a test should be booked/taken and we would ask for any results to be shared confidentially with the school. Pupils who are sent home due to potential symptoms will only be allowed to return to school once the test outcomes are received or the designated period of self-isolation are followed. Siblings of a child with symptoms will also need to be collected at this point. Should a child test positive, we will follow Public Health England guidance. This may result in wider testing, a period of isolation or the school having to close bubbles for a period of time.

**Attendance**

**w/c 8th March 2021**

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| Reception | 100% |
| Year 1 |  95.7% |
| Year 2 |  85.7% |
| Year 3 | 96.9% |
| Year 4 | 91.4% |
| Year 5Year 6 | 100%95.3% |
| **Overall** | **95.2%** |

**Milk**A letter will be sent home with your child today with information about milk. If you would like your child to have milk at school, please complete the form and return to the school office.

**Easter egg-citement!**Starting on Monday 15th March, tickets for the Egg-stravagant Easter Hamper with 3 great prizes up for grabs will be on sale in school, along with ‘Guess how many eggs are in the jar’.

Hamper tickets are £1 each and numbers will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and ‘Guess how many eggs’ will be 50p per go!

Good luck everyone!

**Red Nose Day**

Children are welcome to come to school on Friday 19th March dressed in something red for the suggested donation of £1 towards Comic Relief.

Children are also encouraged to think of a joke to share with their class too!

**PTA 100 club winners!**

**1st prize**- Amanda Weeks

**2nd prize**- Linda Sparke

**3rd Prize**- Pam Robbie

Well done everyone!

Yours,



Sarah Hutchinson

Executive Headteacher