



GREENWAY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2016

Harvest

Foundation Stage Harvest Festival will take place in the school hall at 10am on Tuesday 4th October. The Harvest Festival for Years 1-3 will take place at All Saints Church on Thursday 6th October at 10am and the service for Years 4-6 will take place at the church at 11am on Friday 7th October. Please send non-perishable food donations for Harvest into school from Monday 3rd October. These can be displayed in the hall for the first event, taken to the church on Thursday and then donated to local homelessness charity, DENS. If you are able to walk to the church with children on Friday morning, please let your child's class teacher know so we can ensure we have enough adults to meet health and safety requirements.

GSA (Greenway Parents Association)

A big thank you to all the parents who attended our GSA Annual General Meeting on the 27 September. A special thanks to Tracy Lerpiniere and Charlotte Eastaff, who stepped down from being co-chairs after two years of hard work organising all those amazing fund-raising events. The new co-chairs of the GSA committee are Helena Parr and Sarah Wiggs. The committee works extremely hard throughout the school year to raise lots of money, all of which goes towards enhancing your children's experiences at Greenway. Please support them by attending the events and offering your services as a volunteer helper if you are able to.

Parent Consultations

We are looking forward to seeing you on either Tuesday 18th October from 6.00-8.30pm or Wednesday 19th October from 3.30-6.30pm for Parent Consultations. These are very important meetings where you have the opportunity to discuss your children's progress and next steps with their class teacher. Ms Dani Roe our INCO (Inclusion Co-ordinator) will also be available to meet parents for discussions and Claire Saunders (Specialist Reading teacher) will be making appointments to talk to parents of children she works with. **Parent Consultation letters are going out today – 30 September and need to be returned by Friday 7 October. Please complete a paper copy by printing at home or collecting a paper copy from outside the school office – do not scan or email appointment times as we receive hundreds of emails & sometimes they get missed!**

Home School Agreements

These will be emailed out to you today, this is the copy for you to keep. A paper copy will be given to your child/ren on Monday 3 October. Please can you read this with your child/ren and **sign and return the coloured paper copies to the school office.**

Prefects

The following Year 6 pupils have successfully applied for a position as a prefect: Zara Bird, Sophie Cooley, Lily Gillett, James Hall, Georgina Jelf, Beatrice Love, Emmie Roberts, Elise Telling, Eva-May Wood, Zach Xanthoudakis-Pigden, Henry Giles, Imani Griffith. Well done to all of them!

School council 2016-17

Representatives from each class have been voted in by their classmates for this year's School Council. They are: Sophie Brown and Izzy Lyon (Year 6), Robyn Watson and Bella Tonev (Year 5), Arthur Courtney, Eve Pangbourne and Nellie Preston Bear (Year 4), Emily Wood (Year 3), Fabian James Moore (Year 2) Betsy Preston Bear and Daniel Lerpiniere (Year 1).

Christmas cards

With 85 days to go until Christmas the children are busily designing this year's Christmas cards. Arrangements for ordering these will be slightly different this year, as parents will be able to make their orders directly via the APFS website, rather than sending money into the office. The children's artwork will be sent home on 10th October so please look out for a letter/email that week, explaining the ordering process and deadlines.

Walking to school

Many children in Years 5 and 6 are now successfully walking to and from school without supervision. Please can we remind parents of children in Year 4 who are keen to start walking independently that it has always been our policy to prepare the children by delivering Pedestrian Skills training in the Summer of Year 4, or early in the Autumn term of Year 5. If you would like your Year 4 child to walk to and from school unsupervised before then, please ask the office for a permission slip, as your child's teacher needs to know that you have given your written consent for them to leave the classroom alone at the end of the day.

Malawi Appeal

An ex-Greenway pupil, Thomas O'Shea, has contacted us with the following appeal:

Hi my name is Tom O'Shea, I'm an ex student of Greenway. I am now in year 10 at Aylesbury Grammar School. AGS has a long established link with a school in Malawi called Malosa School. We are collecting equipment for their pre-school which is extremely underfunded. Any good quality toys or pre-school equipment you can donate would be greatly appreciated. These will all be shipped out to Malawi in a couple of months. All toys and equipment can be left at 39 Greenway at any time. Number 39 is on the corner of Greenway and Gilbert Way. If no one is in, please leave the equipment on the front doorstep.

We hope you will be able to support Tom. We will be inviting him into school to talk to the children about his trip as these kind of assemblies are always very inspiring for them.

Year 6 Cake Sale for Children in Need

Livy and Sophie from Oak class have decided to run a cake sale to raise money for Children in Need. It will be on Friday 14th October after school in the usual place.

Parent Forum

The Parent Forum representatives for 2016-17 are:

Green Ash	Louise Jenkins	Chestnut	Isabel Hall
Red Ash	Vacancy	Silver Birch	Helen Hanbidge
Elm	Natasha Goss/Tracy Lerpiniere	Willow	Caroline Green
Rowan	Stephanie Gresham	Spruce	Laura Whittingham-Jones
Pine	Gemma Chat	Sycamore	Beverley Brookes
Beech	Karin Huber	Cedar	Vacancy
		Oak	Vacancy

There are still vacancies in Red Ash, Cedar and Oak. Please contact the chair of Parent Forum, Nigel Wiggins (nigelmwiggins@gmail.com), if you would like to represent one of those three classes.

Ashlyns School Open Evening Thursday 6th October

Mr Shapland and the staff of Ashlyns are hoping that many Greenway pupils and their families will go to their Open Evening next Thursday from 5.30-8.30pm.

Dates for the rest of October & November 2016

Sat 1 st Oct from 8.30am	-----	Carrie Family Photos
Mon 3 rd Oct	-----	Individual School Photos
Tues 4 th Oct 10am	-----	Nursery & Reception Harvest Festival at school
Wed 5 th Oct	-----	National 'No Pens' day
Thurs 6 th Oct 10am	-----	KS1 + Year 3 Harvest Festival at All Saints Church
Fri 7 th Oct 11am	-----	Years 4, 5 and 6 Harvest Festival at All Saints Church
Thurs 13 th Oct	-----	Beech class sharing assembly 9.00am
Tues 18 th Oct	-----	Yr 3 Verulamium Visit
Tues 18 th Oct	-----	Parent consultations 6.00-8.30 - Whole school
Weds 19 th Oct	-----	Parent consultations 3.30-6.30 - Whole school
Fri 21 st Oct	-----	School closed - INSET
Mon 24 th - Friday 28 th Oct	-----	Half term closure
Mon 31 st Oct	-----	Start of second half of Autumn term
Thurs 3 rd Nov	-----	Yr 5 Imperial War Museum Visit
Mon 7 th -Thurs 10 th Nov	-----	Foundation Stage open morning week
Weds 9 th Nov 7.30pm	-----	Maths Evening for parents
Fri 11 th Nov 9-10 am	-----	Coffee morning for Nursery and Reception parents
Thurs 17 th Nov 7pm	-----	New Parents meeting for Nursery (Jan 2017 intake)
Mon 14 th -Fri 18 th Nov	-----	Anti-bullying week
Fri 18 th Nov	-----	GSA Quiz night
Tues 22 nd Nov	-----	Inter-faith day
Thurs 24 th Nov	-----	Year 1 (Elm and Rowan) sharing assembly 9.15am
Thurs 24 th Nov	-----	Child shows parent 3.15-3.45pm
Mon 28 th Nov	-----	Yr 2 Museum of London Visit