

# GREENWAY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER
November 2016

# Our new apparatus

As I explained before half term we are still waiting for some additional pieces of equipment to arrive. You will have noticed that at the base of the apparatus it is being held by large metal poles fixed into the ground. Some of these are poking up above ground level. We are waiting for plastic cushioning to arrive which will be wrapped around the base of the fixings and therefore give protection. Until this piece of equipment is in place no-one should be using the apparatus and I would value your support in this, particularly before and after school when you are supervising your children.

## **Parent Forum**

Thank to these parents for putting themselves forward! The Parent Forum representatives for 2017-18 are:

Green Ash Susie Lawrence Willow Karin Huber

Red Ash Natalie Littlechild Sycamore Caroline Green/Sophie Kennedy

Elm Emma Hart/Sophie Kennedy Spruce Isabel Hall Chestnut Tracy Lerpiniere Maple Natasha Goss

Pine Stephanie Gresham Oak Laura Whittingham-Jones

Beech Gemma Chatt Cedar Beverley Brookes

# **Pumpkin Competition**

During our celebration assembly today we announced the winners of this competition. I know that the GSA would like to thank you all for purchasing the pumpkins and supporting your children in their designs. You raised £130 and the pictures have been uploaded to the Greenway facebook page today. Mrs Newing judged the pictures without children's names attached and the winners are:

KS1 - Elliot Parr and KS2 - Izzy Parr

#### Remembrance

Poppies will be on sale from Monday, in readiness for Remembrance Day on Saturday 11 November. We will mark the day with a minute's silence in assembly. The suggested donation for a poppy is a £1.

## Ben 401

Years 5/6 were very lucky this week to have the opportunity to listen to and meet Ben Smith who some of you will remember ran 401 consecutive marathons around Great Britain in 2014-2015 to raise money and highlight his personal story of how he was bullied. He was inspirational and spent time talking to the children about his own story, how bullying made him feel and how he became inspired to do something about it! If you like find out more visit <a href="https://www.the401challenge.co.uk">www.the401challenge.co.uk</a>

#### Cold weather PE kit

Children need to have warm clothes for PE as the winter approaches, so please provide jogging bottoms and a sweat-shirt or fleece. These do not need to be green.

# Snacks

A couple of reminders about snacks: firstly, snacks in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 are provided free of charge, so there is no need for children in these classes to bring a snack into school. Secondly, children in Key Stage 2 should bring in snacks that match those enjoyed by the younger children i.e. fresh

fruit/vegetables or – for those who need a bit more energy – a simple carbohydrate such as bread sticks or rice cakes. We have recently noticed some children with cereal bars, which are high in sugar and often contain nuts. Please do not send these into school as we have several children with severe nut allergies who are at risk if exposed to the slightest trace of nuts.

# **Nursery and Reception coffee morning**

We would be delighted if parents of children in Reception and Nursery would join Mrs Murphy, Mrs Tritton and Mrs Ellwood for a coffee, cake and a catch up on Friday 10 November from 9-10am. We have found that this is a really useful opportunity to meet parents and support new families at Greenway.

# **Sporting updates**

The U 11 table tennis boys and girls won the District competition and will now progress through to the County finals in December.

In the Ashlyns based Cross Country competition the Yr 3 boys team won the competition and the Yr 3 girls team came third and so the Yr3 combined team won overall for their year group.

The Yr 4 boys came third, as did the girls and the combined Yr 4 team came third overall.

The Yr 5 boys came second and the Yr 5 girls came first and overall the combined Yr5 won.

The Yr 6 boys came third and the Yr 6 girls won and the overall combined Yr 6 came second.

In the District cross country competition the combined Yr5/6 girls won overall and the combined Yr5/6 boys came fourth. As a school Greenway was crowned District Champions 2017-2018. More updates will follow in the Sporting newsletter in December. Congratulations to all those that took part!

# **Dates for November**

Fri 10 Nov	Year 2 trip to the Foundling Museum in London
Fri 10 Nov 9.00	Nursery & Reception coffee morning
Mon 13 Nov	Year 5 trip to Duxford
Mon 13-Fri 17 Nov	Anti-bullying week
Thurs 16 Nov	Yr 4 trip to the Science museum
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need
Tues 21 Nov	P4C/RE day
	Individual school photos
Thurs 23 Nov at 9.15am	Yr 1 sharing assembly
	Child shows Parents