



# GREENWAY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### OCTOBER 2017

#### Harvest

Foundation Stage Harvest Festival will take place in the school hall at 10am on Tuesday 10 October. The Harvest Festival for Years 1-3 will take place at All Saints Church on Thursday 12 October at 10am. Please send in your donations from the DENS list for our Harvest celebrations into school from Monday 9 October. These can be displayed in the hall for the first event on Tuesday and 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 Thursday 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 the parents who attended our GSA Annual General Meeting on the 26 September. A special thanks to Helena Parr and Sarah Wiggs who are happy to continue as our amazing co-chairs. 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. A big thank you goes to those parents who signed up and bought tickets for the Oktoberfest this Friday. We did not want to cancel this event!

#### Parent Consultations - Crèche available for Wednesday 18 Oct only

We are looking forward to seeing you on either Tuesday 17 October from 6.00-8.30pm or Wednesday 18 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 both days to meet parents for discussions and Claire Saunders (Specialist Reading teacher) will only be available on Wednesday 18 October to talk to those parents of the children that she works with. **Parent Consultation letters went out last week on Friday 29 September and need to be returned by Friday 6 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

You will have received a paper copy of the Home School Agreement when you attended the Welcome to your New Class evening. If you did not attend this meeting you should have received a copy via your children's book bag. **Please can you read this with your child/ren and sign and return the coloured paper copies to your children's class teacher.**

#### School council 2017-2018

Representatives from each class have been voted in by their classmates for this year's School Council. They are: James Joyce and Luke Rothnie (Year 6), Lucas Coveney, Milly Haezewindt and Ruby Ellis (Year 5), Tamsin Hall (Year 4), Nathaniel Costelloe (Year 3), Annabel Howe and Daphne Austin (Year 2) Poppy Thompson (Year 1).

#### 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. 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.

### **Ashlyns School Open Evening Thursday 5 October**

Mr Shapland (Headteacher) 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. The Mr Shapland's address will take place at 5.45pm, 6.45pm and 7.45pm in the Chapel.

### **GSA Pumpkin sale – 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October**

The GSA will be selling pumpkins after school on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October in the main playground. There will be a pumpkin carving competition for the children to enter over half term by sending a photo of their pumpkin to [gsa@greenway.herts.sch.uk](mailto:gsa@greenway.herts.sch.uk)

### **Reminders.....**

Please can we remind all parents to supervise their children before and after school. Children should not be riding scooters on the school grounds. Also please can I remind parents about appropriate parking and to respect our local residents.

### **Dates for the rest of October & November 2017**

Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct 8pm-----	Oktoberfest
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 10am-----	Nursery & Reception Harvest Festival at school
Thurs 12 Oct 10am-----	KS1 + Year 3 Harvest Festival at All Saints Church
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct-----	Parent consultations 6.00-8.30 - Whole school
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct -----	Parent consultations 3.30-6.30 – Whole school
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct -----	School closed – INSET
Mon 23 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct-----	Half term closure
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct-----	Start of second half of Autumn term
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct-----	Yr 3 Verulamium trip
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov 9am-----	Nursery and Reception coffee morning
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov-----	GSA Quiz night
Mon 13 Nov-----	Yr 5 trip to Duxford
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov-----	Anti-Bullying week
Fri 17 Nov-----	Children in Need Day
Mon 20 – Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov-----	Road safety week
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov-----	Interfaith Day
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov-----	Individual School Photographs
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 9.15am -----	Yr 1 Class Assembly
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 3.15-3.45pm-----	Child shows Parents