



# GREENWAY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

November 2018

### **GSA (Greenway Parents Association)**

A big thank you to Helen Darbyshire and Kirsty Lee for putting themselves forward to co-chair the GSA. Claire Upton and Liz Chan are Secretary, Samantha Crowe and Jodie Lane are Comms/Marketing and Jackie Culley is Treasurer. There is a lot of parental support, through the class reps and this is much appreciated! The quiz on Friday 9 November is sold out – thank you.

### **Harvest**

Thank you all for the contributions that you donated to DENS for Harvest. It was lovely to see you all at the Reception Harvest and the KS1 Harvest service at All Saints Church. The children performed brilliantly. We raised £236 which will be equally split between All Saints Church and DENS.

### **Maths Curriculum evening – Wednesday 14 November 7.30-9pm**

Information has been sent out regarding this event last week. Please do book a place!

### **Staff News**

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Letheren is expecting a baby in February and send our warmest congratulations to both her and her husband. We will be contacting parents in Elm class with information about the arrangements for Mrs Letheren's maternity leave in due course.

### **Remembrance**

Poppies will be on sale from Monday 5 November, in readiness for Remembrance Day on Sunday 11 November. We will mark the day with a minute's silence in assembly. The suggested donation for a poppy is £1.

### **Cold weather PE kit**

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

### **Snacks – Please read!**

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 9 November from 9-10am. We have found that this is a really useful opportunity to meet parents and support new families at Greenway.

### **Permissions for internet and photos/work on website – Reception to yr 6**

Permission forms for using the internet and displaying work and photographs on the school website have been amended due to GDPR. We want to ensure that we have the correct permissions for each child and therefore where these are missing, the correct forms will be circulated shortly for parents to complete and return.

### **Sporting updates**

This term we have rolled out the Greenway personal challenge. Each week we set a new personal challenge for children to complete during playtimes and lunchtimes at the personal challenge station (under the canopy, outside year 4/5). The challenge aims to engage pupils in physical activity for a short period of time during their play and lunchtimes to contribute to their active 60 minutes a day. The pupils can share their scores with peers and then try to beat it the next day. We want to encourage the pupils to be the best they can be.

We are also continuing with P4C in Sports questions each week to engage children's thoughts on things that happen in the sporting world.

Letters regarding lunch clubs will be heading out this week for you to sign up to. All the lunch clubs will be run by Mr Lewis with the support of the Greenway Sports Ambassadors and Sports Leaders.

In terms of sporting fixtures, we have competed in a range of sports so far this year with many more to come. Greenway children attended Cross country for years 3,4,5 and 6. Well done to all the children that attended. We have also had the first district round of table tennis. Our 2 boys and 2 girls team have been practicing rigorously and the practice paid off! Greenway boys came 1st and 3rd while Greenway girls came 1st and 2nd. Finally, the Greenway boys B football team had their season opener against Limewalk and after a tricky start, which saw us 5-0 down at half time, the game finished 6-1 to the opposition. Great effort from all in the second half!

### **Upcoming fixtures**

- Year 6 District Cross country - 8th November
- Year 4 tag rugby festival - 12th November
- Boys A football vs Hobbs Hill Wood - 13th November (home)
- Under 11 Basketball - 14th November
- Boys B football vs Reddings - 15th November (away)
- Boys B football vs Bovingdon - 16th November (away)
- Unicorns Netball Vs Bovingdon - 20th November (away)
- Girls A football vs Bovingdon - 22nd November (Home)
- KS1 virtual run - on going in PE

Greenway will be regularly updating the school games website. Please head over to <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/schools/greenway-primary-and-nursery-school/> to

see these updates! We will be putting the personal challenge on this website via a blog each week so you can be the best you can be at home too!

### **Dates November 2018**

Fri 26 Oct -----School closed – INSET DAY  
Mon 29 – Friday 2 Nov-----Half term closure  
Mon 5 Nov-----Start of second half of Autumn term  
Thurs 8 Nov-----Yr 5 to RAF Museum Hendon  
Fri 9 Nov 9am-----Nursery and Reception coffee morning  
Friday 9 Nov-----GSA Quiz night  
Mon 12th – Fri 16 Nov----- Anti-Bullying week  
Wed 14 Nov-----Maths Curriculum evening 7.30-9pm  
Fri 16 Nov-----Children in Need Day  
Wed 21 Nov -----Elm class assembly at 9.15am  
Mon 26 Nov- Fri 30 Nov-----‘Take one book’