



GREENWAY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2019

Welcome back

I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break. The children have made a really positive start to the term.

Healthy Snacks

A quick reminder of our policy on snacks: these are provided by school to children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. Key Stage 2 pupils may bring in fresh fruit/vegetables, a small quantity of dried fruit or a plain carbohydrate (such as rice cakes or bread sticks). Cereal bars, crisps and other sugary or salty snacks, particularly those containing traces of nuts, are not permitted.

O2 Young Voices - Thursday 31 January

This amazing singing experience has become an annual event for Greenway and we will be returning to the O2 again this year with our Year 5 class. More information will be sent out next week to explain the procedures, organisation of the day, and collection of tickets and distribution of T-shirts, wristbands & torches.

World Book Day Thursday 7 March

On World Book Day this year we are going to repeat the children making and wearing a 'sandwich board' illustrating the cover of one of their favourite books. This can be easily done, using a large cereal packet or similar cardboard box. Class teachers will be happy to help the children with ideas if they are stuck. We will also be asking children to take part in the 'Extreme reading' photograph competition. This was very successful last year and we had some surprising photographs! Mrs Russell our English subject lead will explain this more to the children in an assembly shortly. We will also be having a book fair during this week.

Cold weather

This is the term when we experience the lowest temperatures so please make sure your child wears a named winter coat to school every day and has named gloves and hat.

Residential for Year 4 and Year 6

If your child is in Year 4 or Year 6, please put the following dates in your diary. These meetings are for parents only.

- ***Lincolnsfield meeting for Year 4 parents – Tuesday 29 January at 7pm***
- ***Letton meeting for Year 6 parents – Tuesday 12 February at 7pm***

Educational Visits

Please ensure that you let the school office know as early as possible if your child will not be attending a school visit as the cost is worked out per pupil. We often have to book seats or places in advance and have to pay if we do not notify the venue of a change in numbers with sufficient notice. We then make a loss on the cost of the visit.

Absences & Lateness

Please ensure absences are either telephoned through to the absence line & followed up with an email or written note or emailed to letters@greenway.herts.sch.uk, we also need to know the reason e.g, sore throat temperature etc not just “ill” or “unwell”.

Please endeavour to get your child to school on time; it is disruptive for the child, office, class teacher & the rest of the class when children arrive late. If your child walks to school on their own please ask them to ensure that they are signed in to the late book by the office staff in case we have a fire drill or emergency.

Choir – Save the date – Tuesday 19 March 5pm

We have been lucky to be invited to be part of the Dacorum in Song concert which will take place on Tuesday 19 March at 6pm* in St John’s Church..... with rehearsals at 5pm*. A letter will be sent out with more details nearer the time, but thought it would be good to highlight the date.(* timings to be confirmed).

A request.....

I am sure that many of you may have had a Christmas clear out or thinking of doing so..... The members of Games club would be very grateful if you have any Board games that you no longer need. We are looking for any classic turn taking games that can be shared during our lunch club, in particular, Monopoly Junior, Snakes and Ladders and Battle ships. Orchard Games are also a popular choice, such as Tummy Ache. Many thanks!

Dates for 2019/20 academic year. We are currently finalising the dates of the inset days and hope to be able to circulate the 2019/20 calendar next week.

Dates: Spring Term

Tues 22 Jan-----Yr Class assembly at 9.15am
Tues 22 Jan-----Child shows parent 3.15-3.45pm
Tues 29 Jan-----Whole school Maths Day
Tues 29 Jan-----Waccy CLOSED due to staff training
Tues 29 Jan-----Lincolnsfield information evening for Year 4 parents at 7pm
Tues 30 Jan-----Whole school Maths day
Thurs 31 Jan-----Year 5 - Young Voices at O2
Fri 1 Feb-----Yr 2 trip to the National Gallery
Thurs 7 Feb-----Year 3 Sharing Assembly at 9am – NO child show parents
Tues 12 Feb -----Letton information evening for Yr 6 parents at 7pm
Mon 18-Fri 22 Feb-----Half term