

# World Book Day and Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our book-related activities this week. The effort that had gone into making the sandwich boards for World Book Day was amazing and all the children were very keen to talk about the book they had chosen. The books you bought at the Book Fair will benefit the school, as we can purchase more for free! Mrs Russell will be announcing the winners of the Extreme Reading Challenge on Monday during assembly. There have been some amazing photos! Thank you for all your support and encouragement.

# Red Nose Day – Comic Relief Friday 15 March

We are raising money for this bi-annual day of fun and have already sold 400 red noses! Children can come to school in their own clothing. Your child may like to wear something red for the occasion and bring in £1 for the charity.

### **Dance competition**

Yesterday 19 Key Stage 2 Greenway dancers went to Wimbledon Theatre, to perform at the Great British Dance off regional finals. There were 32 other acts competing and Greenway performed 2<sup>nd</sup> from last. The children performed in front of a large audience and were incredible throughout! It was an exciting event and the team even had their own backstage room! The top 5 schools went through to the national finals. Greenway came 7<sup>th</sup> narrowly missing out, however our team were amazing and remained professional throughout the day. Congratulations to all of the children that took part.

### Parent Consultations - Tuesday 2 and Wednesday 3 April

We are looking forward to seeing you on either Tuesday 2 April from 6-8.30pm pm or Wednesday 3 April from 3.30-6.30pm pm for Parent Consultations. As always, you will have the opportunity to discuss your child/children's progress and next steps with their class teacher. Please note that we would like Year 6 children to attend the consultation with their parent/s.

Ms Dani Roe our INCO (Inclusion Co-ordinator) will 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 and need to be returned by Friday 15th March. 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! Confirmation of your appointments will be sent out to you Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

### GSA Updates....

**8 March 7.30pm Spring Quiz**. This promises to be another fun filled evening with a bit of quizzing thrown in! For those attending, don't forget to bring cash for the bar and games!

**25 March 7.15pm Basic First Aid Course** the GSA will be funding this event, which will be held at school. It will focus on all aspects of Child First Aid. Spaces are very limited. To register please email <a href="mailto:gsa@greenway.herts.ch.uk">gsa@greenway.herts.ch.uk</a> by today. If there is more interest than spaces(18) names will be pulled out of a hat and we will look at booking another date. The suggested donation is £2.

**22<sup>nd</sup> June 9 (Summer Fair and Camping) –** this year the theme will be Circus and we have got some really exciting plans to ensure that it is brilliant!

#### Snacks - DO NOT SHARE

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. It has come to my attention that some of the older children are swapping snacks. We have children who have severe allergies to certain foods and none of us want a child to become ill through eating the wrong foods.

#### Uniform – a reminder!

Please can I remind you that all children, except those in Nursery, need to wear a Greenway school jumper or cardigan, grey shorts, trousers, skirt or pinafore, a white or green polo shirt and black school shoes. All children must have indoor shoes which can be black plimsolls/trainers BUT NOT slippers. Long hair should be tied back with appropriate dark coloured clips and simple bands.

For PE children ideally require a Greenway sports T-shirt or a green T-shirt and black shorts and/or black joggers depending on the weather. They also require a pair of trainers for outdoor PE sessions.

<u>Please label all items of school uniform with your child's name</u>. This will help us to avoid the mountain of lost property that accumulated during the course of last year!

### **Spellings**

The teaching of spelling and spelling homework has changed and a letter has been sent out explaining these changes today. Please take time to read this letter and look at the examples of how we are expecting the children to complete their spelling homework. The first spelling homework in this new format will be sent out on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Class Photos**

Class photos will be taken on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 9.15am please make a note of this date.

P4C question: Do animals have the same emotions as humans? Discuss.

# **Dates: Spring Term**

Friday 15 March	Comic Relief
Monday 19 March	Yr 6 Knebworth visit
Monday 19 MarchDrug a	nd Alcohol evening at Westfield Primary 7-8.30pm
Thursday 21 March 2pm	KS1 Production
Friday 22 March 9.30am	KS1 Production
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 6-8.30pm	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 3.30-6.30pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday 4 April	Yr 2 National Gallery visit
Friday 5 April	End of Spring Term school closes at 1.30pm
	Nursery closes at 12.00
Tuesday 23 April	INSET day school closed