

Children are at the centre of everything we do

Friday 10 September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

A big welcome to our new families at Greenway and a warm welcome to all our existing Greenway families. I am delighted to say that we have had a smooth start to the term.

I thought it would be useful to share with you some important dates and information on a variety of events that are taking place shortly.

Welcome to your New Class – Wednesday 15 September 7pm

This year, the Welcome to Your New Class meeting will take place face to face at school. As in previous years, the purpose of this meeting is to inform you of the systems in place to support your child's progress; to give you an overview of the timetable and curriculum in your child's class; and to lay the foundations for effective communication between you and the school. Attendance at this meeting is important for **all** parents/carers of **all** children from Nursery to Yr 6.

During the evening in addition to the sessions with your child's teacher, I will be giving a presentation, outlining the school's priorities for the year and the part played by the Senior Leadership Team and Governing Body in ensuring excellence in the way your children are supported at Greenway.

The class teachers and Headteacher's PowerPoint presentations will be uploaded onto the school website the following day should you be unable to attend the evening. The timings of these meetings are set out below.

Class meetings	7.00-7.30pm
Headteacher's presentation	7.30 -8.00pm
Class meetings	8.00-8.30pm

Arrangements for the start and end of the school day

A big thank you for your co-operation with the new arrangements in place - there is an orderly, smooth start and end to the day, with children ready to learn and focused which is greatly appreciated by us all! You will have noticed that the whistle has been replaced with a new bell – a little present from a parent. Thank you!

Our Head Boy and Head Girl (Daniel Wiggs and Olivia Green), are ringing the bell in the morning as part of their responsibilities.

School Admin

Please do continue with your 'efficient admin' from home and keeping visits to the school office to a minimum. The system is working well and much appreciated.

COVID - 19 arrangements

Please may I remind you that we all have a responsibility to take steps in helping reduce the spread of coronavirus, particularly as we do have the Delta variant in Hertfordshire.

• Please do not send children to school if they are sick or feel unwell – be cautious.

- If you or your child/ren receive a positive result from a rapid test you must begin selfisolating immediately, not attend school and book a confirmatory PCR test.
- If you or your child/ren have symptoms (**new, continuous cough, change or loss of taste or smell or a temperature**) you must self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u>

Individual School Photographs – Monday 20 September

Our school photographer is booked for the morning on Monday 20 September for individual photographs. For those children who have siblings currently attending Greenway school, there will be an opportunity for family photographs to be taken. However, this option is **not** open to those siblings who do not attend Greenway.

Home Learning

This will be discussed at the Welcome to Your New Class meeting.

Nasal Flu Spray – Friday 8 October

This year all children in Reception-Yr11 will be offered a flu vaccine which will be given as a simple squirt up the nose. You will be receiving separately more information and a consent form today.

Clubs

Thank you for your responses to the clubs letters that were sent out this week. See below when clubs are taking place. The majority of clubs will commence next week.

Day	Lunchtime	Timings	After school	Timings
Monday	Girls football KS2	12.00-12.30pm	Football Yr 1 and 2	3.30-4.20pm
	Yr 1 Recorders	12.00-12.30pm	Ukulele Yr 3	3.15-4.15pm
	Yr 2 Recorders	12.30-1pm		
Tuesday			Football Yr 3 and 4	3.30-4.20pm
			Tennis Yr 2	3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday			Football Yr 5 and 6	3.30-4.20pm
Thursday	Table Tennis – training squad		Tennis Yr 3	3.15-4.15pm
Friday	Choir KS2		Netball Y5 and 6	3.15-4.15pm

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Wrap around care

Please can I remind all parents not to use the car park to drop off or collect children from Breakfast and Waccy. Unless you have permission from Mrs Ellwood, no-one should be parking on the school site between 8am-5pm. Many thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Greenway Privacy Notice

Our Privacy Notice has been reviewed and updated by governors and is attached for your information. This will be uploaded onto our website shortly.

Have a good weekend. Regards Katharine Ellwood Head teacher