

MARCH 2023

# Greenway NEWS

We have had another busy half term, and we are all looking forward to the Easter holidays and the longer days. We hope you all have a restful break and look forward to seeing you when we re-open on 18th April.



## Easter holiday camp

Our fantastic holiday camp team are all set to welcome your children to the Easter Camp. Don't forget to bring a waterproof and your packed lunch!



## PLEASE CLOSE THE GATE!

We would like to remind you that the main gates should be kept closed during the school day. If you do walk in and see the gates have been left open, please can you close them behind you.

## Parent Forum -

### what is my child learning?

Thanks to the Parent Forum reps for collating all the class responses to our agenda questions. The minutes of the recent meeting will be distributed shortly.

There were a couple of queries relating to timetables and curriculum details - these can be found for every class on the school website. The details were included in the 'Welcome to your new class' evening back in September and were then loaded onto the class pages of the website. Go to the LEARNING tab and then choose the year group page you require.

'The Welcome to your new class' pdf can then be downloaded. Or look at the SCHOOL tab/Our Curriculum sub tab of the website for Curriculum Overviews per class.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Science	Electricity Sound and Pitch	Solids, Liquids and Gases	Animals, including Humans Habitats
Art <small>*may change order</small>	Exploring 3D/2D	Working through Drawing	The Use of Clay in Sculpture Sculpture, Pottery and Ceramics & Decorative... or Pottery Crafts
Design and Technology <small>*may change order</small>	Sustainability Weaving	Shell Structures	Healthy and Varied Diet

### **Refurbished Gazebo and benches**

Huge thanks to the team from the team from HG Construction for coming into school during the half term break to renovate the benches and gazebo. The contractors, who are currently involved with the construction of Elysian homes on Shootersway, donated their time and supplied all the materials for the project. We are very grateful to them for doing such a great job.



### **Religious Education**

As part of our RE curriculum we invite visitors into school from a variety of religious faiths. We would be interested to know if there are any parents that would be prepared to come into school to talk to the children about their particular faith.

If this is something you would be able to do please contact Mrs Ellwood via the office.

### **Ofsted Visit**

Thank you to everyone who completed the Ofsted Parent View questionnaire and for all the messages and treats that were sent in for the staff during the two days that Ofsted were in school. Your support was really valued by everyone. We have been told that we are likely to receive the inspector's report after the Easter holidays at which point it will be published on the school website and we will write to you with some more detail.

### **ScooterAid**

We are proud to be working with



Micro Scooters who have donated 3 wheeled scooters and scooter helmets for our children to use.

The company also run a ScooterAid scheme whereby they revamp old/unwanted Micro Scooters and send them to good causes across the country – giving thousands of children who may otherwise miss out the chance to play. To find out more visit:

<https://www.micro-scooters.co.uk/scooter-aid-recycle-rehome-relove>

### **Cake Sale**



Thank you to everyone for supporting the cake sale organised by the GSA. We raised a huge £382.65 which was sent to the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) to support their work in Turkey and Syria.

### **Goodbye and welcome back!**

We say 'goodbye' to Miss Bado at the end of term - we wish her well in her new job in Tring. And 'welcome back' to Mrs Crockett who is returning after the holidays.

### **GSA Fundraising**

The after school Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success and raised £291.

The Year 1 and Year 2 classes also ran a cake sale and raised £123. Thank you to all for contributing.

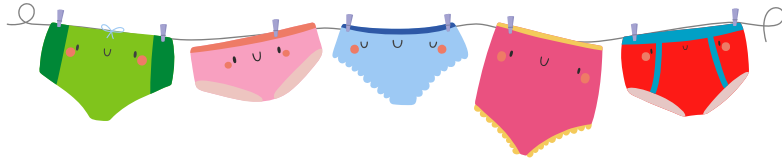


## World Book Day

There were some fantastic literary characters at Greenway on March 2nd. The Book Fair at the end of the day was really well attended and we made over £700 in commission, which will allow the school to purchase more exciting books for the children to read. So thank you to everyone that made a purchase!



## Plant your Pants this Easter hols!



**The Country Trust** have launched a free nationwide curriculum linked science project to help discover the health of our soil across the country. It is easy for children and families to get involved in this fun project. The pants can be buried in any soil, even if just a window box!

They need to be left for about 8 weeks and then dug up. The more disintegrated the healthier the soil. The results can then be uploaded to the Plant your Pants map on the Country Trust website. The scientists will then collate all the data and use it to help understand how we can reverse the damage to our soil.

For more information and to register for a free activity pack go to:

<https://www.countrytrust.org.uk/news/save-our-soil>



**Country  
Trust**

## Save the date



### Summer Camp

Please pay the £50 deposit per child via Arbor under the 'Summer Camp' tab by the end of the day on **Monday 3rd April**.

### Whole class photos

**Wednesday 26th April.**

### Child shows parent

**Tuesday 16th May.**

### Year 4 residential trip

**Wednesday 17th May - Friday 19th May.**



### A little Easter 'Thank You'

The Governors have arranged a small Easter treat for every member of staff. A token of the huge appreciation for everything they do. They wish everyone a relaxing Easter break!