

Children are at the centre of everything we do

Friday 8 September 2023

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 lovely start to the term, even if the weather has been extremely hot! The children have been so sensible.

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 meeting – Tuesday 12 September 7pm

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

Tooled Up webinar – Tuesday 19 September 7.30-8.30pm

As a follow up to the letter sent out earlier this week I would urge all families to sign up to this informative webinar, which will support you as parents understanding the Tooled Up website.

Greenway Primary and Nursery School and Tooled Up Education: Optimal Ways to Support Your Child's Mental Health, Resilience and Ability to Thrive Academically: a talk by Dr Kathy Weston (Founder of Tooled Up Education)

Date: Tuesday 19 September 2023 Time: 7:30-8:30pm Registration information: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dmlaot64SImv3IYapB44tA

Individual School Photographs – Monday 25 September

Our school photographer is booked for the morning on Monday 25 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.

Wrap around care – IMPORTANT!

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.

Year 6 Special Responsibilities

Congratulations to the following pupils, who have been chosen by the staff to carry out special roles this year:

Head Boy, Head Girl and their deputies:

| Head Girl – Mille Littlechild | Deputy – Grace Hill |
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| Head Boy – James Wood | Deputy – Lucas McCarthy-Godman |

House Captains:

| Poseidon | Jory Byrne | | |
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| Zeus | Gus Keay | | |
| Aphrodite | Clementine Jenkins | | |
| Apollo | George Gouldsmith | | |

Sports Ambassadors (Bronze Ambassadors/Health activity leaders)

Children from year 6 applied for various Sports ambassadors roles to support with sport at Greenway throughout the year. Applications were phenomenal this year, making it really hard to appoint for these roles. Mrs Ellwood and Mr Lewis have now made the difficult decision of who will undertake these roles this year.

Bronze Ambassadors

Myla Felix-Davies William Bowden Jessica Prendergast

Healthy/activity Leaders

Alfred Peppett Mia Rutherford Freya Smith

Eco Warriors

We are able to choose two children who will help advocate environmental awareness and how school can tackle some of the issues. They will join the Sports Ambassadors for their training day in October.

William Baylay-Ray Sasha Bucknell

Home Learning

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

Clubs

See below when clubs are taking place. The **majority** of clubs will commence next week. Mr Lewis will be contacting Yr 5 & 6 parents via Arbor with regards to signing up to Netball which will start next Friday. Mr Lewis will also be contacting Yr 1-Yr6 parents via Arbor regarding lunchtime clubs that he will be running.

| Day | Lunchtime | Timings | After school | Timings |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Monday | Girls football | 12.15-12.45pm | Football Yr 1 and 2 | 3.20-4.20pm |
| | KS2 | During the | Ukulele Yr 2 | 3.20-4.00pm |
| | Flute, Clarinet & Violin | afternoon | | |
| Tuesday | | | Football Yr 3 and 4 | 3.20-4.20pm |
| - | | | Tennis Yr 2 | 3.20-4.15pm |
| | | | Drama club Yr5/6 | 3.20-4.30pm |
| Wednesday | | | Football Yr 5 and 6 | 3.20-4.20pm |
| Thursday | | | Tennis Yr 1 | 3.20-4.15pm |
| 2 | | | Tennis Yr 3 and 4 | 3.20-4.15pm |
| | | | Drama club Yr3/4 | 3.20-4.30pm |
| Friday | Choir KS2 Yr 1 Recorder | 12.15-12.45pm 12.45-1.15pm | Netball Y5 and 6 | 3.20-4.15pm |

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Late Arrivals

Can I please remind you that children who arrive late at school in the morning must be brought to the front entrance and marked in by the office staff. Nursery children start at 9.00am, Reception at 8.55am and KS1 and KS2 (Year 1- Year 6) at 8.50am.

Absence and Sickness

If your child is going to be absent from school please notify the school office by 9.30am on the absence line this will also have to be **confirmed with an email.**

A 'Request for Leave of Absence' form must be completed if you intend to take your child out of school for any reason other than sickness. These are available from the school office. Please also let your child's teacher **and** the office know if your child has an appointment to attend.

Lost Property

Please can I remind you to label your children's clothes. The lost property box is already getting full!

We are all looking forward to working with your children for another successful year at Greenway. Enjoy the sunshine this weekend!

Regards Katharine Ellwood Head teacher

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