# Welcome to your new class <u>Green Ash</u>

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PPA cover: Miss Bowers (Wednesday pm)



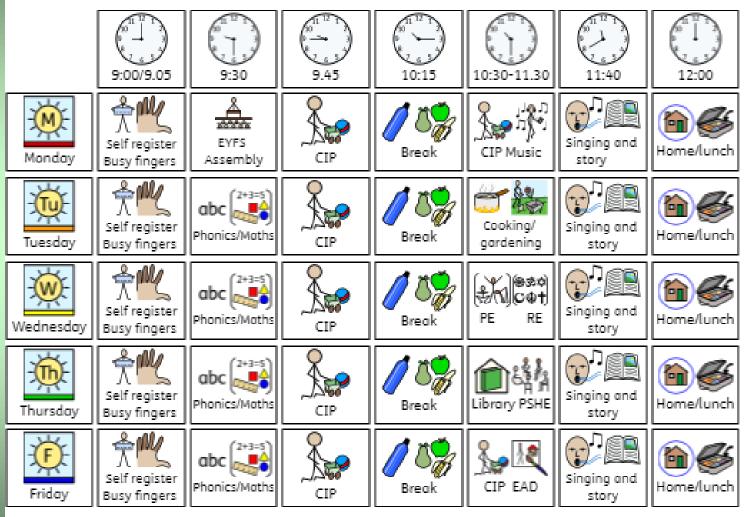
#### Welcome

It is lovely to meet you. Your children are settling so well into the daily routines and learning in Nursery. I am really enjoying getting to know them and they are a pleasure to teach.

Your children have been amazing, and will soon be coming in to Nursery independently in the mornings. Thank you for your support with settling them.

I look forward to the learning and funahead of us this school year!

#### Timetable 2023-2024



#### Curriculum overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS Themes	Children's interests:	Children's interests:	Children's interests:	Children's interests:	Children's interests:	Children's interests:
	Settling-in All About Me Autumn Take One Book Week	Festivals and celebrations in my family and the World.	Winter Weather Hot places & cold places	Spring Spring Festivals New Life Growing	Traditional Tales Mini-beasts People who help us	Around the World Travel & Holidays Under the sea
PSED: Jigsaw Program	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
R.E:	Special People Religions: Christianity, Judaism	Christmas Religion: Christianity	Celebrations Religions: Hinduism	Easter Religion: Christianity	Story Time Religions: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism	Special Places Religions: Christianity, Islam, Judaism
Phonics/Literacy	Read Write Inc. Nursery Phonics Program — Ruth Miskin Topic Book — fortnightly 'Take One Book Week' — whole school					
Maths	Herts For Learning (HFL) Essential Foundations For Counting: Comparison, classification, pattern & Group Recognition (Subitising)  Number Blocks - National Centre For Excellence in The Teaching Of Mathematics (NCETM)					

Educational visits: College Lake in the Summer Term - showing care & concern for nature & our environment, learning about mini-beasts, habitats and developing confidence in a range of new situations.



#### New EYFS Curriculum

'Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support that enables them to fulfil their potential.'

Early Years Foundation Stage Framework, 2021

- On 31st March 2021, the Department for Education (DfE) released the new statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS).
- From September 2021, the framework has become statutory.
- The learning and development requirements of the EYFS remain largely unchanged. These include:
- Areas of learning and development to shape activities and experiences for children.
- Early learning goals which children must work towards so that they can achieve these by the end of the academic year in which they turn five.
- Assessment arrangements for measuring progress and reporting to parents and carers.



#### Class Routines

- School starts at 9:00am and children come into Nursery.
- School ends at 12.00pm for morning only children and at 3:00pm for children attending 30HRS. Children are collected from the Nursery gate.
- All children need to bring in a named water bottle every day and school provides a fruit or vegetable snack.
- Many of you are aware that we have children who attend Greenway who are severely allergic to some foods, which if ingested or touched can cause hospitalisation. Therefore please do not send in anything containing nuts, sesame, and egg (in any form, including quiche, etc.)
- Do not send your child in with hummus or avocado for snack or lunch.
- Children must have a clearly named change of shoes for inside and outside – ideally named across the outside of the heel, for indoor shoes.
- A named coat is needed **every day** as we will go outside in most weathers.



Children attending Nursery for 30 Hours will need to bring in a clearly named, packed lunch and drink – no fizzy drinks or sweets please and obviously none of the foods that some children are extremely allergic to (see previous slide).

Can grapes and small tomatoes be sliced in half, length ways please - for safety.

Children also need a toothbrush and toothpaste, which we will keep in class, to use after their lunch.

After a time of quiet relaxation, listening to stories (or sleep), afternoon activities and learning will continue to relate to children's interests, our current themes, topics, and the EYFS Curriculum. This will not be a repeat of the morning but may, for example, include cooking and gardening.

Greenway Progression of the morning and gardening.

### Key information

- Contributions please supply a box of tissues for the class each term. (Children can also have their own mini tissues if they wish.)
- We also ask for a £5 cash voluntary contribution each term towards cooking and craft activities, or £15 cash in the Autumn Term.

  Please hand it to the class staff in a named envelope. Thank you.
- All admin that needs to go to the office please email <a href="mailto:admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk">admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk</a> or give a note to your child.
- If your child has a medical/physical condition of which we are not aware, then please let us know. If they require any medication to be administered then it must be in writing for us to be able to give it to your child with your written consent.
- Please ensure that if your child requires an epi-pen or inhaler that we have this in school and it is in date.
- Please label all belongings.
- Please can we have a spare set of named clothes to be kept in Nursery.



#### If your child is unwell

- If your child is unwell please email or phone admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk
- If they have sickness or diarrhoea, it is a legal requirement for your child to be kept off school for 48 hours following the last occurrence.
- If your child requires Calpol/Paracetamol to come to school then they should be at home!
- Antibiotics will only be administered if required 4 times a day.
- If your child needs to go to an appointment during the school day then please email <a href="mailto:admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk">admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk</a>. You will then be able to enter the school to collect your child from the office.



#### Communication

- Please inform the school of appointments or communicate any issues that arise, including a reason for lateness or absence via email or a phone call to the office.
- It is very important that you let us know of anything that may affect your child in school. If you should have any situations that arise that could affect the emotional well-being of your child please also inform us. E.g. moving house, illness of close relatives, parent travelling and being away from home.

#### Reading and Phonics

- Your children will be learning how to develop their speaking and listening skills in preparation for phonic learning through letter and sound activities and taking turns to speak about their news and weekends, etc. and to listen to their peers.
- We use the Read Write Inc. (RWI) system in school. We begin naming the Picture Cards in Spring and naming the letter sounds in Phonics, in the Summer Term. As children become confident with the Set 1 sounds they can begin developing oral blending and segmenting skills. For example m-a-t and s-i-t.
- We ask that you only introduce Set 1 Sounds with your children. It is better they become really fluent with these sounds and pronounce them purely without a schwa (an "uh" sound at the end) and have fun with them.
- Your child will bring home a book they have chosen from the library. Please keep this at home for one week before returning it so your children can become familiar with the story/rhyme/words and enjoy exploring the illustrations with you.

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Library day is on a Thursday.

#### Home learning

• After half-term, fun home learning activities will be set fortnightly on Fridays at 12pm on Google Classrooms. This needs to be submitted/up loaded to Google Classrooms 2 weeks later on a Thursday by 12pm.

#### We would also suggest that you:-

- Share story books with your child as often as possible. Please talk
  about the pictures and story with your child and model page turning,
  predicting what might happen next, how a character may be feeling
  and why, etc. It is important to read together for enjoyment!
- Play games to encourage your child to recognise their name, both handwritten and in a simple, typed font.
- Please ensure writing is in lower case, where appropriate.
- Use money when visiting the shop, weigh items when making cakes and find many practical ways of involving maths in daily life. E.g. sorting socks into pairs and exploring how many knives and forks you need for dinner. How many altogether?
- · Play games involving taking turns, using dice and counting.
- Encourage your child to recognise numbers in different places around the indoor and outdoor environments.

#### PSHE scheme

- 'Changing me' is taught in the Summer term.
- Main vocabulary- Eye, foot, eyebrow, forehead, ear, mouth, arm, leg, chest, knee, nose, tongue, finger, toe, stomach, hand, baby, grown-up, adult, change, worry, excited, memories.
- Learning intentions: I can name parts of the body, I can tell you foods I can eat to be healthy, I understand that we all grow from babies to adults, I can express how I feel about moving to Reception, I can talk about my worries and things I am looking forward to, I can share my memories.

#### Useful resources

- https://nrich.maths.org/early-years
- https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/ \* Please only use RWI (Read Write Inc.) Set 1 Sounds
- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7f
   bLgY2oA\_cFCIg9GdxtQ Ruth Miskin videos
   for Set 1 Sounds
- Twinkl



#### Feedback on learning

- Your child will receive regular verbal feedback.
- Children can earn house points, stars, stickers and star of the week.
- For outstanding achievements children can receive a 'special award' from Mrs Ellwood.
- Children can receive postcards home for outstanding effort, behaviour and personal achievements.



# Special educational needs/disabilities SEND

- Greenway School INCO-(Inclusion Co-ordinator) and Autism Lead is Dani Roe.
- INCO works in partnership with parents/carers, staff and professionals to ensure that pupils with SEND have the appropriate provision and **reasonable adjustments** in place in school.
- SEND policy, School offer and Hertfordshire local offer for SEND is on the website.
- All pupils with SEND will have a One Page Profile. This will be shared and targets reviewed with staff and parents/carers.
- Please look out for letters and flyers for courses and opportunities for pupils with SEND, sent via email.
- If you have concerns regarding your child please email your class teacher and/or INCO.



#### School Dinners

Children from Reception to Year 6 are able to access school dinners, which are cooked on site and are eaten in the dining hall. From Reception to Year 2 the meals are free. From Year 3 to Year 6 there is a charge, currently that charge is £2.90 per meal. HCL is Greenway's school lunch provider and they take pride in the meals they serve. School meals are packed with great and tasty ingredients to help your child really enjoy lunchtimes at their new school. Click the following link to HCL <a href="https://hcl.co.uk/">https://hcl.co.uk/</a> Please note that if your child has a food allergy or intolerance you will need to access HCL's on-line account system, which is detailed in the Allergies tab on their website, link above. Unless you register your child's allergy or intolerance with them, they will be served food from our standard menu - click here and here to access our current menu. If you do not wish your child to have a school dinner, you can bring in a home packed lunch every day.

If at any time throughout the school year your child wishes to change from school dinners to packed lunch or vice versa, please notify the school office giving a week's notice as food is ordered in advance.

#### Class Rep...

Class representative – Each class has a representative to help the teacher organise parent help during the year and to sort the social side of your class.

Our Green Ash class representative for this year is ... Avery's Mummy. Thank you! ©

Your information...

If you change your mobile phone number or e-mail address then please let the office know (if you have not given either of these to the office please do so asap).



## Thank you for listening

Please email me on <a href="mailto:lorraine.tritton@greenway.herts.sch.uk">lorraine.tritton@greenway.herts.sch.uk</a> if you need to contact me.

