



# Newsletter



05.09.2025

## Recently at Greenfields...

Welcome to Greenfields 2025-26! For those who have been here before, it has been lovely to see you again; and to those who are new – welcome to the family! We have new children in nearly every year group, and already they are settled and thriving in classes – making new friends and getting on with their learning. Nearly everyone is back from the break, and all the children seem a bit taller, more grown up and raring to go!

The children are full of what they have been up to this break. I'm very jealous of the holidays and experiences they have been lucky enough to have. I've heard of trips to swim with dolphins, ride camels, drive dune buggies, pool parties and lots of time with loved ones (the best kinds of days!). I do hope you have made the most of the summer with the children and know the memories are special.

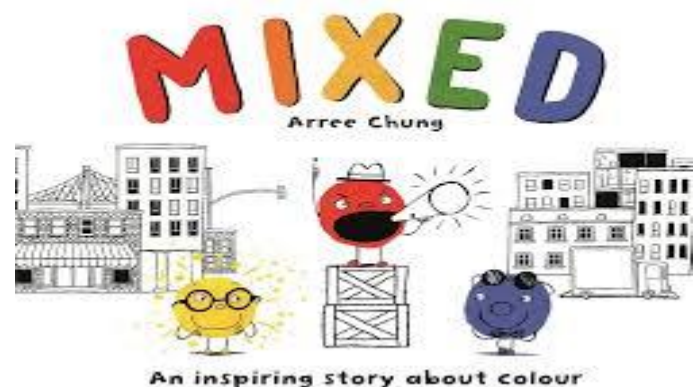
Whilst all the children came back full of happiness and joy at their holidays, there was one family where we heard very sad news. We extend our love and support to the children who tragically lost their mum this holiday. I know you will all be with me in extending your sympathy to the family and offer any help and support you can to them. With this in mind, we make no apology for supporting two cancer charities this year in our fundraising, and hope you will all make an extra effort to ensure these events are well supported.

Speaking of which, congratulations to our new House Captains who led the houses this year in their first meetings today. We have the following charities chosen by the children:

Romans	Michael and Phoebe	Dogs Trust
Normans	Isaiah and George Sw	Friends of the Earth
Saxons	Eden and George Sm	GOSH
Vikings	Skylar and Darci	Cancer Research UK

We will start our fundraising though with the Staff charity – MacMillan – at our annual cake sale and coffee morning on the 26<sup>th</sup> September – to which you are all invited. More to follow on that.

We have spent today and will spend next week as a school looking at the book 'Mixed' by Arree Chung. Next Friday we invite you all to come to our gallery of work in the Hall to see what we have learned. The gallery will be open from 2.45pm so please do come and see what we have been up to.



**Class Attendance:**

Each class will be able to colour in a stripe of their rainbow when they have achieved the following:

Red: 100% class attendance for 1 day

Orange: 100% class attendance for 3 days in a row

**Yellow: 100% class attendance for a week (Monday – Friday) – for this they will win a non uniform day, just for their class**

Green: 100% attendance for 2 consecutive weeks – for this they win extra play for a week

Blue: 100% attendance for 3 consecutive weeks – win a class party

Indigo: 100% attendance for 4 consecutive weeks – a local trip

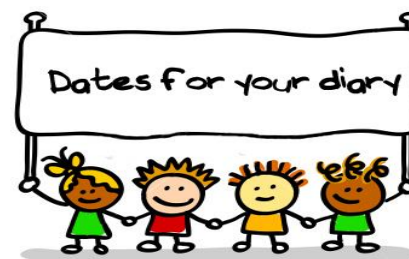
Violet: 100% attendance for a half term – a school trip of their choosing (within this country!)

Well done to Year 3 who are the only to class to have had everyone return for the first two days. The challenge really starts next week with a full week. I hope I can inform a class of a non uniform day really soon!

**Personal Attendance:**

- Every child who achieves 100% for the weekly attendance will receive a raffle ticket which will be put into a class raffle. On the last day of each half term, in Friday's assembly, I will draw one ticket out of each class to win a prize.

I appreciate that a child's attendance relies on their parents or guardians bringing them into school! If your child is really, genuinely ill; do keep them at home. Please try to make all appointments outside of school hours (Doctors, Dentists, Opticians etc) and get your child to school on time every day. A missed day is more than just missed learning; it is missed friendships, missed playtimes and missed social skills. These really impact much more than missed lessons. Let's see how quickly we can turn the attendance figures around for the benefit of the children.



8.9.25	All Reception children in until 1pm
10.9.25	8.45am Meet the Teacher Y6 – Hall Nursery children start 3pm Meet the Teacher Y4 - classroom
11.9.25	8.45am – Meet the Teacher Y1 – Hall 3pm – Meet the Teacher Y2,3 and 5 – all in classrooms Book Fair arrives - Hall
12.9.25	2.45pm Mixed celebration of work
15.9.25	Reception children in all day
16.9.25	Last Book Fair
18.9.25	Y4 trip to St Albans
19.9.25	Inflatables Day – non uniform for all Inflatables fun evening until 6.30pm – BBQ, drinks, games
26.9.25	Y5 trip to Kew Gardens MacMillan Coffee Morning and Cake Sale
6.10.25	Y3 trip to COAM Y6 trip to COAM
8.10.25	Y4 tri Golf tournament
9.10.25	Harvest Assembly
10.10.25	World Mental Health Day
17.10.25	School Discos – Glow in the Dark theme
22.10.25	Parents Evening
23.10.25	Parents Evening
27-31.10.25	Half Term
3.11.25	Bikeability Week Y 5&6
11.11.25	Y6 Class Assembly Flu jabs
12.11.25	Y5 Fun Run
17.11.25	Y6 trip to Uxbridge Bunker
28.11.25	School CLOSED – Occasional Day
4.12.25	Flu jabs
10.12.25	Christmas Show evening
11.12.25	Christmas Show morning
12.12.25	Christmas Fair
15.12.25	School trip to the Panto
16.12.25	Awards Assembly Christmas lunch Christmas class parties
17.12.25	Carol Service 1pm END OF TERM
18.12.15	Training Day
19.12.25	Training Day
5.1.26	Term Starts 8.45am



We are gearing up for up big Welcome Back event on Friday 19th September - Inflatables Day. The children will have goes on the inflatables the company are bringing for the day, for a timed slot during the school day, and then we are adding even MORE after school! Wristbands are £7.50 in advance and the pot is open on Arbor. The weather will hopefully be good, so why not make a night of it! Pre booking your wristband means I can also cater better, and we will be offering burger in a roll, sausage in a roll and chicken nuggets, alongside vege sausages in a roll, sweets and ice creams. We will be offering a soft bar, but you are welcome to bring a drink or two on site with you to enjoy with friends. There will also be some fair style games to have goes on. The event will be CASH ONLY, so please make sure you have this on you - we do not have the ability to take card payments in school.

Please book your wristband by Thursday 18th September so I can make sure all are written and in the right place for the event!

It is also a non uniform day - please ensure children wear nothing sharp or belts etc which may damage the inflatables...don't let me down!

We love to see past pupils and hear all their news too, so any older siblings are welcome to attend. If they want to go on the inflatables, they must have a wrist band.

Looking forward to seeing you here!



- We expect and ask that all children read at least 4 times a week and reading records are signed by parents each time. Lost or damaged books are charged at £5 per book.
- PE kit is worn into school on the day for PE. Please label all clothes with names!
- Children in 4-6 need a slip to say they can walk home alone or to the gate. Please encourage their independence by leaving them at the gate in the mornings too.
- Breakfast club and After School club must be booked and paid for before use - £3 a day
- Clubs must be booked and paid for in advance. External clubs start w/c 8<sup>th</sup> September, school clubs w/c 15<sup>th</sup> September
- We are a cashless school! The office cannot take cash payments for anything.
- Children should not be wearing any jewellery – we have seen some sneaking in. Please only a watch and plain STUD earrings if they are wearing anything.
- **The school day starts with doors opening at 8.40am and registration at 8.45am. Please be on time!**

### PE days:

**Reception: Monday**

**Year 1: Monday and Forest School Wednesday for Autumn 1**

**Year 2: Tuesday and Friday**

**Year 3: Tuesday and Thursday**

**Year 4: Tuesday (swimming) and Wednesday**

**Year 5: Tuesday (swimming)**

**Year 6: Monday and Friday**

## Term dates 25/26

Training Day	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Term Starts	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025
October Half Term	27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Occasional Day	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 25
Term ends	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 25 1pm finish
Training Day	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January
Term Starts	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
February Half Term	16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> February
End of Term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 26
Easter Holidays	30 <sup>th</sup> March – 10 <sup>th</sup> April
Term Starts	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 26
Bank holiday Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> May
May Half Term	25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> May
Training Day	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May (report writing)
Term Ends	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
Training Day	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July
Summer Holidays	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026 – 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2026
Training Day	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026
Term Starts	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2026

## Lunches



Whilst we will never let a child go hungry, this is a reminder that all cooked meals need to be ordered at home in advance. Most classes this week have had to order meals for children – some for over half the children taking a meal. We do not have the time to do this in class and the office certainly do not have the time to order for half the school. Please ensure you have ordered (and cancelled if your child is off) at home.

A reminder that packed lunches should be healthy – no sweets, chocolate and no nuts due to allergies in school. This includes no Nutella. All children should have some carbohydrates, protein, fruit and vegetables and a drink. It increasingly worries me the poor choices of lunch I see in the children's lunchboxes. Please aim to help your child achieve their best by providing them with the right sort of food, and things they will eat.

The children are told that any food coming in from home needs to go back home and not in the school bin – this is so you can see what they have eaten and what they have left – to help you manage your shopping and talk to the children about why they have left food. Sometimes we have children in tears as they don't like their lunches. If you are ordering school food, please do this in discussion with your child so we are not having to explain why they have what they have. The kitchens do not cook extra food, and whilst we will never let a child go hungry, they cannot just swap a meal.

We will no longer let dinner debts climb to over £50. I know times are tough, and being faced with debts for lunches shouldn't be something to worry about if you keep on top of payments. Only children in Nursery and Yrs 3-6 have to pay for lunches, children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are covered by Universal Free School Meals.