



Newsletter



13.06.2025

Recently at Greenfields...

What a two weeks! We have been rushed off our feet in school with learning, as well as: packing in a fun circus day for all, Father's Day sales, ice cream sales, photographs and putting up a big top so that the whole community to take part in a wonderful day at Greenfields. Then, on top of all the fun our Year 1 children have packed in their phonics tests, and Year 4 their times table tests. We honestly have not stopped! Thank you to everyone who has supported us.

The Happy Circus Day was such a great day, I'm glad so many families were able to join us, although there were also lots of faces from South Oxhey I did not recognise! On the Friday school treated all the children to a circus workshop, and every class had great fun spinning plates, balancing feathers, juggling and entertaining each other. It was great to see them in the hall learning together and enjoying themselves. The Circus Day itself was hectic to say the least, but thanks to all the staff who manned stalls, face painted, cooked and sold drinks etc. The day raised just over £2000 for school, which is a fantastic achievement. Happy's Circus were very complimentary about all our families and how smoothly the day had run. Given they arrived at 8am and were gone by 5pm, I was very impressed with them! Thank you too to everyone for using the bins provided, we have had to do very little litter picking following the day. Again, the ice cream sales and the Father's Day shop continues to raise pennies for the school. All money raised this year is going towards replacing the trim trail in the KS2 playground which is costing in the region of £40,000, so every penny really does count as schools simply do not have the money for things like this any more.

We had Vancols visit us to take photographs this week, please let me know what you think of their offer. They are a new company for us, and run the whole process themselves, so there really is nothing we can do if you miss deadlines etc. I am hoping their package has something for everyone and the pictures are great. Vancols did say how brilliant all the children had been, and so many had their best smiles on. They were also very complimentary of the staff and the ethos of the school which was lovely to hear!

As the weather continues to improve and get hotter, can I please remind families again that cycling shorts / tight short legging style shorts are not school uniform to be worn with a white polo shirt. They are fine for PE lessons, but they are not in our uniform policy. I have seen more and more girls coming in wearing them. This is not ok, and we will be asking girls in them to put skirts on over the top. There is a uniform policy and when your child joined the school, you signed saying you would support it. Please ensure your child is appropriately dressed in uniform so that we can focus on supporting teaching and learning and not finding the right clothes in class. I appreciate your help in this.

Finally, a reminder that vaping is not allowed on the school site at any time. Please do not even bring them on to site. Again, we have seen some parents doing this, and some have been left, putting children at risk. Thank you.

Kate Day



Attendance 2nd – 6th June

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| Nursery | 94.48% |
| Reception | 91.16% |
| Year 1 | 94.17% |
| Year 2 | 90.91% |
| Year 3 | 93.1% |
| Year 4 | 97.22% |
| Year 5 | 96.57% |
| Year 6 | 90.17% |

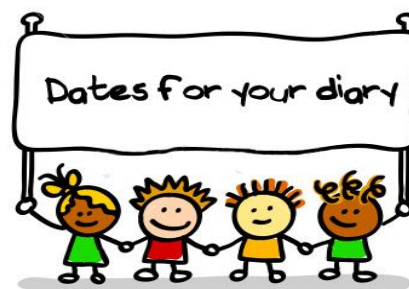
Not a good way to start our final half term, but most of this absence is holidays, which I remind you I cannot authorize. Any unauthorized absence over 10 sessions (5 days) will lead to fines being issued by County. Please do not take holidays in term time. This will affect our Ofsted rating unless it improves – and we really want to continue to be a good school!.

Notices

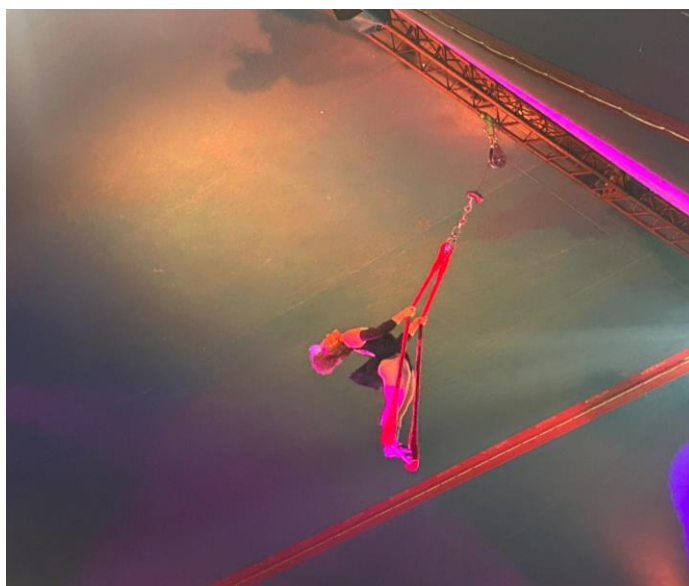
Safety on site

As the evenings are warmer I know there is the temptation to let children play on site after we have released the children into your care. It is very easy to stand and chat to other friends whilst the children play on the grounds. However, from the moment we hand them over to you, their safety is your responsibility. We have recently had a few smaller children wander off from their adults, who have not noticed they have gone; and we have had accidents where children are using equipment that is not the right size for them. The KS2 equipment is on KS2 for a reason, and should not be used by children under 7.

Please be vigilant and ensure you have sight of all your children after school. Children cannot play on site without a responsible adult present. Thank you.



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| 17.7.25 | YR and YN multi skills event |
| 18.6.25 | Eastbury Farm football tournament Y6 |
| 19.6.25 | Reception Class Assembly |
| 24.6.25 | Y4 Electric Umbrella in St Albans event |
| 25.6.25 | Y1 and Y6 Stay Active workshops New to Greenfields meeting for Nursery'25 and Reception '25 4.45pm |
| 26.6.25 | Y1&2 trip to the Chalkwell |
| 1.7.25 | Y6 PSHE visit – Crucial Crew |
| 3.7.25 | Y3&4 trip to Legoland |
| 8.7.25 | Y6 Production 6pm |
| 9.7.25 | Captain Fantastic Road Safety workshop for Ys 1&2 |
| 10.7.25 | Hertfordshire transition day Nursery Class Assembly New class visits pm – collect from your new year group |
| 14 - 18.7.25 | Sports Week Monday – Rock up for KS2 / The Floor is Lava for KS1/EYFS Tuesday – Ninja Skipping / KS2 Water Polo Wednesday – Sports Day Thursday – Haka Dance / Inter class games Friday – games / Y5 summer fair |
| 16.7.25 | Sports Day |
| 17.7.25 | Y6 Leavers Party |
| 18.7.25 | Nursery / Reception Graduation |
| 21.7.25 | Awards Assembly Leavers Assembly to school |
| 22.7.25 | Y6 Leavers Assembly Term Ends 1pm |





SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is a rite of passage in all Primary Schools and pretty much every adult remembers their school Sports Days. However, recent years have made the traditional element of Sports Day harder and harder to manage, with parents simply not listening to staff, staying where asked, and obstructing the running of the day either through their behaviour or their comments about other children, or simply being rude to each other. So much so, that we now have many children who refuse to take part in the traditional races because they do not want to be put under pressure. Therefore, we have collectively taken the decision that this year we will run Sports Day differently.

On Wednesday 16th July we will hold Nursery and Reception Sports Day from 9am to about 10.15am. This allows the little children to do activities for them and not be worried about all the big boys and girls out on the field too. Parents of Nursery and Reception are invited to stay and watch.

Then at 10.30am we will have Sports Day for years 1-6. This will follow our normal pattern of sporting events competing for points in classes, with children getting awarded points for their house. These will come to the central score table to be accumulated. Classes will run their traditional races in the week before Sports Day away from the chaos of spectators. These will also be for points, and these will have been handed in before Sports Day so that we can still award the cup on the day to the winning house.

We will still be having a picnic lunch to share with all families, which will take place at approximately 12.15pm. Parents of children in Nursery or Reception are welcome to meet their children on the field and sit together with friends and family.

At 1pm, all children will return to class for afternoon registration.

At 1.15pm, we will then hold our Open Afternoon, with parents invited to come in and look at your children's work for the year and speak to the class teacher about their reports / go to new classes to meet new teachers. Any children with parents unable to make this will be taken to the school hall to watch a film for the afternoon, supervised by our fantastic TAs.

If you have attended Sports Day and the picnic you will be able to take your child home following your Open Class visit, whatever time you finish your visit. All children without adults on site will be kept until normal going home time. After school club will run as normal, but in the dining room.

Open Class will finish at 4pm.

