



## Recently at Greenfields...

It seems impossible that we are at half term already, but on This week is a sombre week as we remember all those who have given their lives for our country both in the past, and for those who continue to serve to keep us safe. On Tuesday the whole school marked the 11<sup>th</sup> hour with a fitting assembly put together by Y6 and shared with their families and the school. All classes had made their wreaths, as is our custom, and these are now in the main entrance for us to see. We also saw and heard some great art work and poetry the class have done this term. Well, well done Y6 for your assembly. We are very proud of you for leading us in this.

On the flip side, on Wednesday we hosted the Three Rivers South Oxhey fun run for Y5 children from various local schools in our cluster. The children had to run 4 laps of our field, plus there was an obstacle race. Not only did our girls win medals, we also had Dominic winning the race for the boys and Tisha getting second place for all the girls. The teams were excellent, cheering each other on and providing pure encouragement from the stands. Our behaviour was brilliant – as is becoming a habit and notable in these events. Well done to everyone who took part, but most importantly for your teamsmanship and attitude. Brilliant!

We have also begun hosting external providers coming in to school to do various workshops and events across the school. Y5 are currently working with the local PCSOs on understanding Citizenship, the law and their rights. The children are really enjoying these sessions at it is great to have PCSOs Ross and Chris working with us. We like having them in school as it helps the children understand that the police are here to help us and support us at all times, and not people

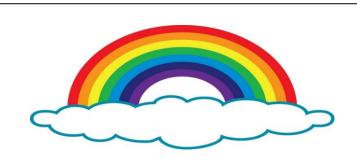
to be afraid of!

Y<sub>3</sub> have started their sessions with our WMHT practitioners in a 'Kindness Group' looking at what makes good friendships and how we can support each other in being good friends. As we often discuss with the children, kindness is free, and can make a big difference to someone you might not even know needs your help and happiness one day, so these lessons are useful for life. I look forward to seeing how they go.

Watford Schools Trust have booked in for their Christmas lessons, we have Captain Fantastic visiting us on Monday for workshops with the children to talk about positive friendships – those in Reception will know what a great time Nursery had with Captain Fantastic last year, and then Kipper is visiting for his annual birthday party! Life really is all go at Greenfields!

A reminder that school is closed on the 28<sup>th</sup> November for our Occasional Day this year — a short bit of respite in a frantically busy term as we gear up to Christmas. A reminder that pots are open for the Grotto, the Christmas Fair and the Panto, which will all be here before we know it. Letters will go out soon about the Christmas Shows — which last year were a sell out for the evening production. Please put the date in your diary now and think about which one you want to attend. We have more children than ever, so tickets will be limited to 2 per family for the pre booking, and then we will allocate all spare tickets to those who have requested it as before. Watch out for the letter!





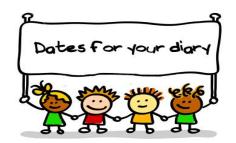
## Attendance 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> November

Nursery	84.97
Reception	97.56
Year 1	92.39
Year 2	93.56
Year 3	98.1
Year 4	98.35
Year 5	93.31
Year 6	86.18

Attendance is the one thing you have to help the school with. In the new Ofsted framework, we will be marked down for our current attendance, and you have to be 'good' in all categories to be 'good' now. Currently, attendance will mean that our grading will be placing us in a category of concern. All of our hard work gone, just because of attendance. Please, please, please support the school in making sure your child is IN, and ON TIME!

I appreciate this term, and next, are the hardest to keep good attendance with bugs and colds, and when a child has sickness or diarrhoea they have to be off for 48hours, but to be honest, it is the children who are late after registers have closed that are making a big impact into our attendance figures. Missing the first hour or the day every week means effectively missing a day a week, and if that hour is phonics or maths, they have missed a great chunk of learning. I know getting up in the dark is hard, I know the mornings are stressful getting children ready, but please help us not be worrying about loosing our 'Good' reputation and placing us in a category! If we can all work together to improve, we can get better!

This week I have rewarded the class with the biggest percentage of children in for 100% in the last two weeks. There are 153 children in total with 100% attendance for the past two weeks. Well done Y6 on getting 82% of the class in for 100% attendance. They were closely followed by Years 2 (77%), Y3 (76%) and Reception (73%). They have all chosen prizes from a pot – most choosing fidget toys! I have told the children my next random give away will be in December – which is only 2 weeks away again. Let's see what, and who, I reward then...



17.11.25	Y6 trip to Uxbridge Bunker
20.11.25	Y4 Class Assembly
	Netball match v St Joes @ Greenfields
28.11.25	School CLOSED – Occasional Day
4.12.25	Flu jabs
	Netball match v Woodhall away
10.12.25	Christmas Shows
	Afternoon 1.30pm N-Y6
	Evening 5pm R-Y6
11.12.25	Christmas Show
	Morning 9am N-Y6
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
13.1.26	Y6 Athletics@ Merchant Taylors
6.2.26	Disco night
16-21.2.26	HALF TERM
17.3.26	Y5 Rugby @ Greenfields
26.3.26	Awards Assembly
27.3.26	Easter Bonnet Parade
	1pm End of Term

## EYFS needs...

We are always looking to improve what we can offer outside for our Early Years classes, and we are currently on the look for:

Old / part decking boards (to paint black and make into roads)

Baking trays / saucepans / muffin tins / spoons / ladles /utensils/ pots and pans / mixing bowls

Crates – milk or bread type

Flexi tubing / guttering / hoses

Plant pots / seed trays / compost / child sized gardening tools

Fabric sheets / netting / tarpaulin

Please send them in if you can help.