



# Newsletter

14.7.23



## Recently at Greenfields...

The end of the year is fast approaching, and before I get caught up in the final push I wanted to get you all caught up with what has been happening at Greenfields in the last week or so! What a wonderful success Sports Week has been. A huge thank you to Mr Wilkinson for organising the timetable and booking our outside bodies. Year 4, 5 and 6 had a great time at St Helen's on Monday, being coached by Olympians themselves in Badminton, Field Athletics and playing baseball. We had Bollywood dancing in school for EYFS and KS1 which was excellent. Tuesday saw more Bollywood dancing as well as KS2 competing in our annual water polo completion – which Vikings won both the 3/4 and the 5/6 rounds. Wednesday was Sports Day, and what a wonderful occasion it was. It was so lovely seeing so many families and friends together cheering on not just their own children, but ALL children. It was also joyous to see the care and sportsmanship between the children themselves, helping each other when they stumbled, getting sacks prepared ready to jump in, picking up the eggs which fall. The lead changed several times during the day but eventually the blue ribbon was tied again to the Sports Trophy and Vikings declared the winners.

Thursday saw the Juniors having sessions in Kinball – a huge ball game that required great teamwork and skill. All the children thoroughly enjoyed this new and unknown sport and gave it a really good go. Meanwhile, out on the lawn we had set up a 'Floor is Lava' circuit for the younger children which was thoroughly enjoyable! This proved so popular, that when the inflatable day was regrettably postponed, we set up again, bigger and better in the hall for the whole school to attend today.

The weather was kind for us all week, but unfortunately not today, and the forecast high winds meant that the company could not set up. We have postponed this event, to the 15th September so that all the children can enjoy it. Y6 are welcome to return for that date and say hello again! I know the office are on the case in refunding the many of you that had purchased tickets. Please be patient as they work through the log.

Yesterday also saw our transition afternoon, with all classes having a taster of their new teacher and TA in their new classroom. Everyone seemed settled and happy as I wandered around yesterday, so I hope they have come home full of excitement about what the new year holds. If you do have any concerns, please speak to either their current class teacher or the new one, or me, and we will help you support the transition.

Next week is of course our last week, and is always packed every day. I have updated the diary with all our events and also added what I have in the diary until 2024! We also have our Open Evening on Tuesday, where we ask you to come in and visit their current class, see their work, and take the children's books home. Please bring a carrier bag!



The final scores were:

Normans: 238

Saxons: 247

Romans 252

Vikings: 260

*Kate Day*



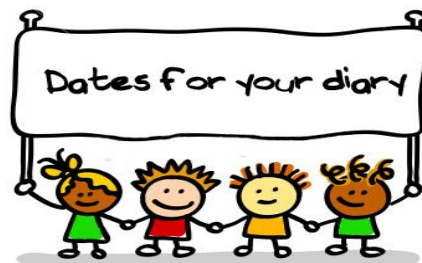
## Whole school-14<sup>th</sup> July

Nursery	85.4%
Reception	91.8%
Year 1	94.1%
Year 2	94.1%
Year 3	95.4%
Year 4	93.6%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	91.1%
Whole School	93.8%

Whilst attendance is down nationally, we are still below the national average and end the year 0.1% below national. I appreciate this has been a hard year with illnesses and many children are still building up their immunity since Covid, but I really do hope we all try really hard to be in school next year. There are comments in reports for those who have fallen well below the expected attendance.

Next year we will be relaunching our attendance initiatives and rewarding classes with 100% attendance in a variety of ways which they will choose each time they achieve it, as well as individual reward opportunities for every 100% attendance week for children. There will also be class parties for the class with the highest attendance each half term.

Most importantly the impact of the learning that is missed every day a child has off, the social interactions they miss, and the friendships they are not part of. Even just being late in the morning impacts their mind set for the day. Children really do need to be in school and on time as much as possible. Please do make a concerted effort to make this happen. Even in the first 10 minutes of the morning they are doing important learning from nursery all the way up, following up on misconceptions, phonics, building hand strength to ready them to write. I do look forward to a more punctual year...



17.7.23	Reports out
18.7.23	Y6 Watford trip <b>Open Evening</b>
19.7.23	<b>Awards Assembly and Green Book</b> Y6 Leavers Party
20.7.23	<b>Reception Graduation 9am</b> <b>Nursery Graduation 11am</b>
21.7.23	<b>Y6 Leavers assembly</b> Term finishes 1pm
	Summer Holidays
1.9.23	Training Day – School Closed
4.9.23	Term Starts 8.50am
5.9.23	Swimming starts for Years 4&5
6.9.23	All reception Children in 8.45am-1pm
11.9.23	Opening Week Celebration Show 3pm in the hall
12.9.23	No After School Club – staff training
14.9.23	Book fair arrives for the week
15.9.23	Inflatables Day and after school fun
18.9.23	Y4 trip to St Albans
19.9.23	No After School Club – staff training
20.9.23	Y6 trip to Uxbridge Bunker Last evening of the book fair
28.9.23	Y5 trip to Kew Gardens
29.9.23	MacMillan Coffee Morning
18.10.23	Parents Evening
19.10.23	Parents Evening
23- 27.10.23	Half Term
22.11.23	Y6 trip to Lincolnshire
13.12.23	Christmas Show Day 2pm / 5.30pm
14.12.23	Christmas Show 9am
15.12.23	Christmas Fair
19.12.23	Christmas Lunch and Party Day
20.12.23	Awards Assembly Finish 1pm
21.12.23	Inset Day
22.12.23	Inset Day
8.1.24	Term Starts

Next years term dates are available on Piota and the school website.

## What a year!

This week also delivered us the final set of data we were waiting for with the arrival of the KS2 SATs results. I am so incredibly proud of what every single child has achieved this year, and that is a testament to the support and encouragement of us together, home and school, ensuring that your children get the best we can offer.

Our results for the year are as follows:

Reception GLD (Good Level of Development):

Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
64%	57%	67%

Phonics Y1:

Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
69%	50%	80%

Phonics retakes Y2:

Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
57%	100%	-

KS1 SATs Expected Standard +

	Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
Reading	57%	67%	70%
Writing	50%	33%	61%
Maths	65%	67%	69%
Science	62%	-	80%

KS1 SATs Greater Depth

	Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
Reading	31%	33%	24%
Writing	12%	33%	11%
Maths	31%	33%	19%

KS2 SATs Expected Standard +

	Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	National
Reading	79%	67%	73%
Writing	56%	44%	71%
Maths	79%	67%	73%

KS2 SATs Greater Depth

	Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children	Local Authority
Reading	21%	11%	24%
Writing	8%	0%	11%
Maths	38%	11%	19%

What is particularly pleasing for us as a school is when we looked at the data for the children who were with us in Early Years and KS1 and then did their SATs with us in KS2 – our home grown children. When we look at their data alone we achieved the following:

KS2 SATs Expected Standard +

	Greenfields	Greenfields Pupil Premium children
Reading	81%	80%
Writing	56%	60%
Maths	94%	80%

This just goes to show how hard the children, and also the staff, are working at Greenfields to enable them to achieve the best results they are capable of. We are so proud of them all, and they go off to their secondary school with results they can be ecstatic about!

## Pre Loved Uniform

As we reach the end of the year I know many of the children will grow out of their uniform. A plea: please can we have any old uniform in reasonable conditions please donated to school if you have no use for them to help other families who might need it! Please just send it clean, washed and into the office where we will gratefully receive it!