

Newsletter



04.04.2025

Recently at Greenfields...

This week has been one of celebration and recognition; a lovely way to end the term. We've had our Spring Awards Assembly, which sees 40 children recognised for their commitment to upholding our values and embodying them around school. As always, the most popular award given is Aspiration, but equally important are our awards for Honesty, Empathy, Respect and Teamwork. I love hearing the citations given for each child, and it amazes me that 5 words can bring out so many different reasons for the children getting their badge. It is humbling to hear how our students live our values day in, day out. Well done to all winners this time. Pictures are on Piota for each badge.

We also award the Governor's Cup at the end of each term, and this term the staff chose Miguel. As usual, Mr Pople wrote an outstanding speech about Miguel, here is a snippet of what he had to say about him, and why he is such a worthy winner: "If someone is finding something difficult... he supports them. If someone is feeling low... he cheers them. If someone is hurt... he helps them. If he sees equipment out of place or litter on the floor... he picks it up. If he sees someone who needs help... he is there to lend a hand. In fact, if he sees anything that he can do to make any situation better... without a moment's thought... it is done – so often being dealt with before the person even knows they will be needing that help."

Well done Miguel!

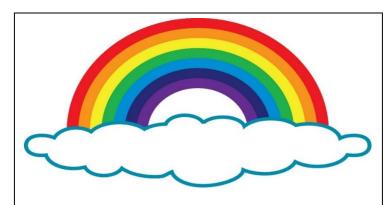
Yesterday saw our last day with Electric Umbrella, and what a day! Thank you to the many parents who came to see what

we have been up to in our sessions, not only singing their catchy songs, but learning about acceptance and tolerance too. It truly has been a joy working with this amazing charity, and Thursdays will never be as exciting, loud or enjoyable without them. The children really have learned a lot, and it was lovely to see their personal reflections in the cards they made for the team. A what timing to be with us — being on BGT and getting a golden buzzer. The whole team (those in school with us and those not) were so touched by our celebrations and the presents we gave them yesterday. They were very tight lipped about the Semi Finals, so we will all just have to watch and support them now from our sofas, knowing we have been a small part of their amazing story.

This morning we celebrated the end of the term with our annual Easter Bonnet Parade. My memories of this change year on year, but I can never shift the ones from Covid where we still managed our parade, but outside, around the school with everyone watching from windows. Luckily, those memories are well and truly in the past, and as always it was wonderful to be together as a community to share the eggcitement and end the term in cracking style. Thank you for all your efforts and creativity at home.

Have a wonderful, restful 2 ½ weeks off, and we cannot wait to see you all back on the 2rd April for the final term. Remember the 22nd is a training day, so no children in school!

Later ay.



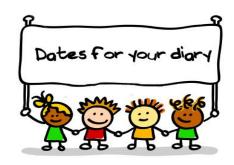
Attendance Spring Term

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Nursery	92.91
Reception	91.41
Year 1	94.43
Year 2	94.66
Year 3	94.88
Year 4	93.16
Year 5	91.29
Year 6	94-57

So many classes so close to that 95% figure set by the government, classed as good attendance, but this term we really have fallen short. I am hoping that the sun and warmer weather means that colds and illnesses reduce to mean we can be in school more, making the most of our time learning. Next term is especially important for Y6, Y4 and Y1 as we have national tests to take, and every day in school makes a difference to those results.

Notices

- Y5 Forest School is on Mondays (mostly this half term, please watch out for emails from Mr Pople about different days) – remember a change of clothes, starting straight after half term.
- Swimming for Y3&4 is on Tuesdays. Please remember to check you have everything you need in your bag. Year 3 will start swimming after Easter – make sure your costumes fit now and have a hat ready. The pool will not let them swim without one.
- Ring the office or send an email by 9.30am
 please to tell us your child is going to be absent
 for the day. And remember, sickness means 48
 hours clearance before they can come back from
 the time of the last incident. Please do not send
 children back in sooner for unexplained sickness.



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22.4.25	Training Day
23.4.25	Term Starts
1.5.25	Polling Station
2.5.25	Y ₅ trip to Kew Gardens
5.5.25	Bank Holiday
12.5.25	Y6 SATs week
16.5.25	Break the Rules Day
20.5.25	Y6 Residential
22.5.25	Y1 Class Assembly
23.5.25	Reception and Nursery trip to Mead Open Farm
26-30.5.25	Half Term
2.6.25	Training Day
6.6.25	Circus Day in school
8.6.25	Happy Circus Day
19.6.25	Reception Class Assembly
24.6.25	Y4 Electric Umbrella in St Albans event
26.6.25	Y1&2 trip to the seaside
3.7.25	Y ₃ & ₄ trip to Legoland
9.7.25	Y6 Production
10.7.25	Hertfordshire transition day
	Nursery Class Assembly
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
18.7.25	Nursery / Reception Graduation
21.7.25	Awards Assembly
	Leavers Assembly to school
22.7.25	Y6 Leavers Assembly
	Term Ends 1pm



LAST WEEK OF REDUCED TICKET PRICES

This summer, the circus is coming to town! I know it feels early to be talking about June, but this is going to be a huge thing for Greenfields, and I so want to make a success of it — it's been booked for 2 years — this is how popular Happy's Circus is! 3 months and counting...

Date: 8th June 2025

Gates open 11.30am for fun, activities and food.

Big Top opens at 1.30pm ready for the 2PM show

I am offering tickets to Greenfields early at a reduced price before they go on general sale in South Oxhey, so please reserve your seat as soon as you can. Price increase will happen as we soon as we come back to school and will be an additional £2.50 per person.

You will need to pay for your seats via Arbor and email us at <u>Circus@greenfields.herts.sch.uk</u> with your name, ticket request and payment reference for the reduced price. Come the Easter holidays I will sell whatever tickets we have left to the local community, and the price will increase too – so pay early to bag the deal.

For Greenfields early discount, the prices are:

Children: £10 a ticket Adults: £12.50 Family of 4: £40 Plus booking fee

Equally, if you are unable to use Arbor, the office can help, so pop in and see them. We have 600 tickets to sell, and I'm really hoping it's a sell out.

If you run a local business and would like to hire a pitch, please do get in touch via the email address above. We have certain limitations as to what we can sell, so we do need to ensure nothing conflicts with the circus contract.

Easter Bonnet Marvels.







