

Green Lanes Primary School Newsletter

Friday 29th Sept 2017

Issue 2



Diary Dates

Tuesday 3rd October

Parent Consultations Online
Booking System - active 9:30am

Year 5 Sanchez – Trip to Pizza
Express (am)

Phonics Workshop
(Foundation & KS1) – 3:30pm



Thursday 5th October

Year 3 Monet - Trip to Henry
Moore Foundation

School Photographer – Individual
& Siblings Photos

Friday 6th October

Year 3 Moore – Trip to Henry
Moore Foundation

Monday 9th October

Foundation Stage – ‘What’s
Under Your Feet?’ Week

Tuesday 10th October

Year 6 Parents – PGL Information
Evening 6pm

Wednesday 11th October

GLSA Cake Sale – 3:15pm
KS1 Playground

Friday 13th October

Year 2 Rousseau – Class Assembly
(9am)

Monday 16th October

World Food Day

Tuesday 17th October

Parent Consultations 4:30-
7:30pm

Wednesday 18th October

Parent Consultations 3:30-
5:30pm

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Welcome

Thank you for your kind donations for today's Harvest festival. This year's donations are going to the Hatfield Food Bank which helps support families in hardship and needing food.

Parents of Foundation and Key Stage 1, please ensure sure that you book your place on next week's phonics workshop (Tuesday 3rd October). This gives you an insight into how we teach phonics and how you can support your child at home with their reading.

Individual photographs will be taking place next Thursday, please make sure that your child is in full school uniform and please note long hair should be tied back and oversized bows are not permitted.

The online parent consultations booking system will also go live next Tuesday 3rd

October at 9:30am. This online service allows you to choose and book your own appointment time. If you have more than one child in the school, please allow time to get from one class to another. Appointments are also available for the Special Education Needs Team and Pastoral/Behaviour Team.

The children have completed their 'Hands of Trust'. These hands indicate staff at the school who they can talk to if they have any worries. If you have any concerns about your child, please let us know and we will be happy to help. This includes any concerns that you might have about bullying.

To stop the spread of sickness it is important that your child does not return to school for **48 hours** after vomiting or diarrhoea. Thank you for your co-operation.

Foundation News

Reception children have enjoyed sharing their lunch with mums, dads and staff over the last two weeks. It is lovely to see how confident and polite they have all become in the dinner hall.

This week we have been learning all about 'Where We Live'. We enjoyed going for our walk around the local area (despite the rain!). We found our school on google maps and we built houses using all the different construction resources in the classroom.

Next week we will read the book 'Flat Stanley' and the children will all take home their very own 'Flat Stanley' to post to a friend or relative. We are looking forward to these coming back into school and we have a map ready to see how far they travelled!

'Tapestry' is now fully up and running and your child's learning is available for you to look at online whenever you like. If you have any problems accessing this at home, please come in and see either Ms Platt or Mrs Badger and we will be happy to help.

Key Stage 1 News

Year 1 have been learning about the book 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. We used the environmental area to act out the story. We have been thinking about new settings and characters for our own version of the story.

We are looking forward to our Geography Walk around the local area on 10th and 11th October. Please let class teachers know if you can help. Both classes are also looking forward to a visit from Mr Long to talk about our 'Belonging' topic in Religious Education.

In Year 2 we have been focusing on the story of 'Goldilocks'. We have acted out the story, used adjectives to describe the characters and setting. We have also considered how character feelings change throughout the story. Next week we will be twisting the story ready for writing our own versions of this traditional tale.

During the final week of this half term, we will be starting a D&T project where we will be designing and making our own 'Puppets'. We will be sewing our puppets so if there are any willing helpers, please let us know in advance. Any help will be greatly appreciated!

Office News

If you have any concerns about your child, the **SEN Team** has a drop-in session every Wednesday afternoon. Please call the office to arrange an appointment.

ABSENCE REPORTING



IMPORTANT REMINDER: If your child is unwell or will be absent from school due to a booked appointment, please ensure to report the absence **before 9am on the day**, using the school telephone number 01707 262556, choosing option 1. It is essential that parents/carers report their child's absence so that we know that they are safe.

CLUBS

Please can you ensure that your child/children have the correct clothing, footwear or equipment needed for any clubs or music lessons that they attend at the start of the school day.

Dinner Money Payments



The cost of a school lunch is £2.30 per day (£11.50 per week), unless in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals in which case there is no charge. **Please ensure that all dinner payments are made in advance by Wisepay, cheque or cash.**

SCHOOL READING BOOKS

Please ensure that your child has their **Home Learning Journal** and **school reading books** in their book bag every day for class guided reading.

Thank you

Key Stage 2 News

This week Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed their Science lessons on the topic of 'Forces and Magnets'. They have worked collaboratively together to conduct experiments on the effects of friction, using toy cars, on different surfaces. They loved watching the cars speed down the ramp!

Year 3 are looking forward to their trip next week to the Henry Moore Foundation on Thursday 5th October (Monet class) and Friday 6th October (Moore class). Please let the class teacher know as soon as possible if you would like to help us on our trip and thank you to the parents who have already kindly volunteered.

Year 4 had great fun this week, joining with the Year 3's to take part in an Intra-house Rugby and Netball Competition. All children were really enthusiastic and determined to score points for their house teams!

The children in Year 4 have also been enjoying their Mathematics lessons as they have been learning about number systems from different periods of time in history. They have worked really hard on solving their times tables in 'Roman Numerals' as well as deciphering the 'Mayan Number System'.

Year 5 have enjoyed some exciting events over the last two weeks. Hockney class had their visit to Pizza Express where they were taught the art of Pizza making and even got to take home their very own margherita pizza. Sanchez class will be the lucky ones to go next week.

This week, both classes were visited by a Local Councillor, Mr. Shah. The children were given the opportunity to ask lots of valuable questions and find out about the local area.

In RE we are currently studying 'Judaism' and we thoroughly enjoyed a lesson with Ms. Gordon this morning, whereby the children were able to carry out interactive learning, finding out even more about this religion.

Year 6 are really enjoying reading 'War Horse'. They are using this narrative text as a stimulus for their own historical text. They have been investigating a range of real letters from WW1 to help them understand what life would have been like. They are really excited about writing their own letters next week.

A reminder to all Year 6 that the meeting for Marchant's Hill is on **Tuesday 10th October at 6pm**. This will provide you with all the information needed regarding the trip.

GLSA NEWS

Whole School **CAKE SALE** will be taking place on **Wednesday 11th October, at 3:15pm** in the **Key Stage 1 Playground**. Homemade or shop bought are welcome. Please drop off cakes in the morning to the canteen or classroom.

HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS DISCO Will be taking place on **Friday 20th October, Foundation & Key Stage 1 times are 5-6pm, and KS2 times are 6:15-7:15pm. Entrance £2**. If you would like to help with preparations, during or after the disco, please speak to Stuart Thornhill or Heather Bottomley. Please remember, if you do not have a current DBS Certificate, you can still help at this event but you will be unable to work directly with children unsupervised.

REMINDER: GLSA SUGGESTION BOX has been placed in the School Office Reception area, if you have any sensible fundraising ideas/events, or questions, please ensure to communicate via this box. The box will be emptied on a weekly basis by the GLSA Team.

COMMUNITY NEWS



NHS Flu Vaccination The flu vaccination is now being offered to all children in Foundation Stage up to Year 4. The School Immunisation Nurses are due to come to Green Lanes School on Monday 20th November to administer the flu vaccine.

If you would like your child to have the vaccine, please complete the consent form online via <https://forms.hct.nhs.uk/form1> by **Friday 29th September 2017**. Please use School Identity Code **EE117105**. If consent forms are not completed by this date, your child will be unable to have their vaccine at school. Instead you will be offered an appointment at a local clinic. If you do not have access to internet, you may telephone 01727 734026. **If you wish to withdraw your consent, you will need to telephone 01727 734026 as soon as possible and also inform the school.**

If you have any queries, please telephone the Immunisation Helpline on the above number.