

Head of School Weekly Parents Newsletter




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Messages:

Next Week:

- NEU strikes - School will be open as usual on this day:
 NEU Teacher Strikes.pdf
- Please park safely around the school grounds. We have recently received emails showing concerns for our children's safety due to dangerous parking. Please consider this at drop off and collection times.
- Water bottles should contain 'water'! We are happy for the children to bring in their bottles but we will only allow them to be used if they contain water. A cup will be provided if not. Can I also take this opportunity to ask that Prime drinks are left at home.
- Can I remind everyone that toys should not be brought into school. We cannot be responsible for the children's personal belongings. This is also causing some upset and we would prefer to avoid this. The children are welcome to bring something in for Funky Friday time but footballs should not be brought into school at all; the member of staff who leads football games will provide the football.

Monday - Y6 Science event

Tuesday - Y6 offsite visit

Wednesday - Coffee afternoon - Please join us for a coffee in the hall 2pm-3pm. We are also hosting a uniform bank and 'mini' food bank with the surplus we receive from local supermarkets!
We will also have a book sale at this coffee afternoon to celebrate World Book Day!

Thursday - World Book Day

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/world-book-day-26/>

Friday - The Golden Mile - During the month of March, we will be raising money for Worth Unlimited, a charity that supports the work we do at Green Top. We will attempt to create a mile of coins! Please send in any loose change to support us in achieving this challenge for a worthy cause!

Coming soon:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/red-nose-day-friday-17th-march/>

Our spring two dates can be found here:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/dates-for-spring-2/>



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Attendance shout outs:

Last week, our attendance winners (with 100%) were:

Crew Jackson

Well done - great work!!!

Beautiful Work:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/were-in-thorne-times-for-our-charity-work/>



Blog of the week:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/shrove-tuesday-in-crew-rodgers/>

What a great photograph!!!

Expedition:

EYFS have had lots of fun this week digging deeper into our second case study 'What happens when we plant a seed?' The children have started planting in their outdoor planters and have finished their product designs ready for sharing at our celebration of learning.

In expedition year 1 and 2 had a re-hook with a visitor who sandling beautiful opera for the children and talked a lot about the music case study and we kicked off our new case study of food design and technology by having a pancake day tasting session.

Year 3/4 have been learning all about seed dispersal this week including wind, water and animal dispersal. We conducted our own research to build background knowledge before writing our final section of the chronological report we have been working on. We also had an expert visitor from 'ReFood' which has hooked us into our upcoming learning!

Crew:

In Crew this week the EYFS children have been thinking carefully about our 'get smart' HoWL 'I can challenge myself' The children have been linking this to their learning and to daily skills they would like to learn.

In crew year 1 and 2 have been talking about lent and how it relates to pancake day. We then thought about pledges and what we could do to improve the planet, not just ourselves.

Year 3/4 enjoyed learning more about Shrove Tuesday this week and the different Pancake Day traditions from around the UK. Year 4 have also been battling it out on TTRockstars this week in a boys vs girls competition! Well done to the girls who won the competition!

In year 5/6 crew this week we have been looking at our HoWLs and making pledges about what we can do to be even better this half term. We also talked about lent and what things we could give up. In academic

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During this week's expedition, year 5 and 6 have been continuing to look at case study 2 - history. In year 5, we have been drafting our final touchdowns. We have been writing newspaper reports about one of the key figures we have learnt about. Look out on the blog for our final write ups next week.

crew, year 5 looked at their TTRockstars scores and set up a battle with year 6. I wonder which year group will come out on top?

Message from 'The Friend's of GT':

Thank you to everyone who supported our termly school DISCO! Once again the children loved it!

Our next event will be a non-uniform day. We will be collecting Easter eggs, treats and chocolate in readiness for our Easter Fayre!

Please see the diary dates letter for specific dates!

Our next coffee afternoon:

During spring two, we will be hosting a coffee afternoon every Wednesday 2pm - 3pm. Where possible we will have food surplus and a uniform bank. Pop in for a coffee and to see what we have available.



Weekly lunch menus:

Our current lunch menus: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1abrglwf4SSzLLmaqDrm44l5lKuU7jOjR/view?usp=sharing>

New menus will be out after Easter!

Reminders:

- If you didn't see the letter regarding strikes, please read it for clarification: [NEU Teacher Strikes.pdf](#)
- Doors will continue to open from 8:30am and we will be closing them at 8:45am so that we can start our crew sessions on time. It is important that children arrive at school on time everyday.
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- Should you wish to access our sunset club this week, you can book by contacting Mrs Dewsnap: sunset@greentopschool.org. Please include the following details: name, teacher, any allergies/dietary requirements, days required and a Contact number. Sunset club runs from 4pm to 5:30pm daily at £5 per day which should be paid in advance via ParentPay.

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