

Headteachers Weekly Newsletter



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Messages:

Next Week:

Celebrating a lovely week

LKS2 family learning event:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/y3-4-family-learning-6/>

UKS2 experts in school:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/year-5s-rail-y-fantastic-day/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/y6-northern-rail/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/year-6-northern-rail-careers-talk/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/year-6-network-rail-safety-talk/>

COMING SOON:

Comic Relief at Green Top

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/comic-relief-red-nose-day-15th-march/>

Presentations of Learning

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/euys-celebration-of-learning-8/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/key-stage-1-and-years-3-and-4-art-gallery/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/y5-6-presentation-of-learning/>

Wednesday

Class photographs

Thursday - World Book Day 2024

Have you seen our exciting competition?

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

We can't wait to guess which book character you've come as!

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/world-book-day-7th-march/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/world-book-day-28/>

Friday

School closed for staff day 7

Spring two dates: <https://greentopschool.co.uk/spring-two-diary-dates/>

NEW!!!! Extended Study New!!!!

Phase Extended Study Pages

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/category/class-blogs/euys-extended-study/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/category/class-blogs/ks1-extended-study/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/category/class-blogs/lks2-extended-study/>

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/category/class-blogs/uks2-extended-study/>

Letter Join

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/accessing-letter-join-at-home-2/>

The winners for the Safe
Internet Day competition
will be announced next
week!

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Expedition

EYFS children have been baking Gingerbread men and designing and building bridges ready for the gingerbread man to cross the river! The children have enjoyed retelling the story using narrative and reading speech bubbles.

This week KS1 went on their visit to the deep which was absolutely amazing! The children loved our classroom workshop as well as seeing all of the animals. We particularly loved the penguins and the sharks. What a fantastic trip! Thank you so much to parents for supporting us with this.

Year 3/4 have had a lovely couple of weeks back at school! Last week we enjoyed an amazing trip to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park and this week we celebrated our family learning event with an orienteering event in Thorne Park! We have also continued our work in our physics case study by exploring magnets!

Another fantastic week of expedition in the upper end of school! This week has seen us further develop our artistic perspective skills by learning about the fundamental steps to trick the eye into making objects appear 3D. On top of this, our friends at North Rail visited our school as experts to further enhance our expedition. They held a careers workshop whilst also providing a lesson based on rail safety. The children engaged very positively with our visitors. Thank you to Northern Rail for their time this week.

Crew

EYFS have revisited 2 of our learning aliens this week! 'Choosing, Checking, Changing Charlie' in reception and 'Can do Colin' in Nursery. The children are working hard to be independent in their learning!

In crew this week key stage 1 have been learning about compassion and how we can show this in school. We love to show compassion and care for our friends and people in our community.

Year 3/4 have been working hard in crew to complete our research work which will support our final expedition product. We have also looked at what mental health is and explored some of the different things we can do to keep our minds healthy!

Years 5 and 6 have explored Fair Trade as part of our community crew work. We discussed the importance of money being distributed fairly as well as safe working conditions. Some crews have completed service work around the school grounds; we had noticed that the recent windy weather had made our grounds untidy with litter that had been blown around. The children enjoyed this service work and hope to complete more outdoor stewardship once the weather begins to improve. Watch this space!



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Attendance shout outs:

Our attendance winners for last week were:

**Crew Smith
With 100% attendance**

Well done - great work!!



Beautiful Work:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/gingerbread-men-in-nurseru/>



Blog of the week:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-5-the-deep/>
<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-6-at-the-deep/>
<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-7s-visit-to-the-deep/>
<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-8s-visit-to-the-deep/>



Sharing our stories as we go...

Have you seen our recent XP Trust 'Sharing Our Stories' and 'Beautiful Work' blog post?



Academic Success:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-10-magnets-%f0%9f%a7%b2/>



Shout out:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/u6-athletics-doncaster-finals/>



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Message from 'The Friend's of GT':

Easter Fayre
Wednesday 28th March - more
details to follow soon



Please contact us if you can support any of
these events!

Coffee mornings

Watch out for our next coffee morning!



Weekly lunch menus:

Please find dinner menus attached:

📎 DINNER MENUS wc 30-10-23.pdf



Communication

Phase Leader email addresses:

EYFS - Miss Carter - eyfs@greentopschool.org

KS1 - Mrs Shaw - ks1@greentopschool.org

Y3/4 - Miss Knowles - y3-4@greentopschool.org

Y5/6 - Mr Mumby - y5-6@greentopschool.org

*In the first instance please speak to crew leader
or class teacher.*

Sunset

Should you wish to access our **sunset club** you
can book by contacting Mrs Fitzpatrick:
office@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.

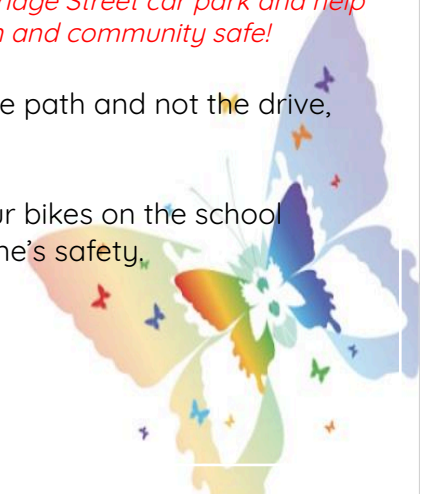
School Drive

Driving into the school grounds

*Please **DON'T** drive into the school grounds to drop
off in a morning and pick up at the end of the day.
This is becoming extremely dangerous for our
children. Please use Bridge Street car park and help
us to keep our children and community safe!*

Please walk down the path and not the drive,
keep yourself safe!

Please dismount your bikes on the school
premises for everyone's safety.



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Reminders

Start of the day

Thank you to everyone for making our new 8:30 start so successful. After giving everyone a full term to get used to this, from January we will now be starting learning at 8:35 rather than 8:45 so it is important that you arrive at school on time. The gates will also be locked at 8:45 rather than 9am. This has had a very positive impact in school and so we thank you for your support with this.

We can't thank you enough for your efforts in being at school on time (8:30) this week. The change to the start of the day, which we started in September, has had a massive impact on school. The children are settled, focused and ready for learning. Thanks again for improving punctuality at Green Top!

Uniform

Please ensure you add your child's name to ALL of their belongings. We are improving the amount of lost property in school with the things we are putting in place but names not being added to uniform seems to be the main issue we need to resolve.

Also, if you require support with uniform, please contact us and we will support where possible.

Phase Leader email addresses:

Communication

If you use the Teachers2Parents APP for receiving school texts/emails please ensure you turn the notifications alert to 'on' so you don't miss any messages. For all the latest school news and information please visit our Green Top website and blogs.

Health Advice from Doncaster Council

Please find attached a letter from Doncaster Council regarding back to school winter health advice.

Can I please remind you to contact the school office (01405 813181) to inform us when your child is ill. This should be done daily.

We are always available for additional advice should you require to check anything with us.

📎 Copy to PARENTS Letter to Head Teachers ...

Yellow T-Shirts

Please can you ensure that you return yellow T-Shirts the week after your child receives the community crew award. We are getting low and don't want to have to take this lovely gesture away from the children due to them not being returned.

PE Kits

Please ensure that PE kits are in school on PE days. It is important that the children have the correct kit and footwear to ensure safety during the lesson. We also don't want children ruining their school shoes due to wearing them for PE and if it is outdoors, covering their shoes and uniform in mud!

All bags and kits will be sent home on a Friday so corridors are clear. Please send children's clean PE kits back into school on a Monday morning ready for their PE lesson.

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External Information



Squirrels

Seeking bright eyed and bushy tailed new recruits

Squirrels. The newest branch of the Scouts family tree. Where 4-5 year olds can join in too.

This is an age when minds are fizzing, when energy and curiosity levels are sky high, when little lives are full of wow and wonder.

The Assembly Rooms, Thorne
Tuesdays 4-5pm

To join in the fun with four free taster sessions, please get contact using the details below.

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