

# Headteachers Weekly Newsletter



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Messages:

Next Week:

## Easter Fayre

Thursday 28th March - 1:30pm - 3pm

You will be able to collect the children from their usual classroom doors from 1:30pm.

We will also hold a **Non Uniform day** on this date and ask for donations of Chocolate and Easter eggs for our Easter chocolate tombola! Raffle tickets will be sent home on Tuesday (see below for more info)!



## Easter Attendance Prize Draw

Mrs Fitzpatrick has arranged an Easter attendance prize draw! Make sure you attend school every day to be in with a chance of winning Easter Eggs!

## Easter BINGO Night:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/easter-themed-family-bingo-night/>

## Assessment week 1

### Monday

School closed for staff day 8

### Wednesday

EYFS Presentation of Learning:

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

### Friday

Comic Relief:

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

## Coming Soon:

Presentations of Learning

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

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

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/eyfs-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/>

**Well done to everyone who created their  
Wooden Spoon Book Characters**



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## Expedition

EYFS children have explored past and present job roles such as a baker and life before the supermarkets! The children have immersed themselves into these roles in provision; baking, working in the role play shop and even sign writing! The children are preparing for their Celebration of Learning next week.

Key stage 1 have been writing their final touchdown for this case study. We have been writing our own stories based on 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' and it has helped us to understand different ways to protect ocean animals from rubbish within their habitats.

Year 3/4 have started their final touchdown writing stories about April and Bear from The Last Bear. I've been so impressed with everyone's enthusiasm to make their stories the best that they can be! Year 3 have also enjoyed exploring friction in expedition this week and have measured how far a car travels on different materials.

In expedition lessons we have continued to explore the qualities that a mixed-media of watercolour and ink offers. The children have combined the two to make visually interesting pieces based on Thorne North train station. Alongside this, we have begun our extended writing for our product. Each class has been assigned a different part of our historical study. This work will contribute to our presentation of learning and the leaflet we are crafting.

## Crew

In Crew this week the children have revisited one of our learning aliens 'Curious Cleo' and have considered how they can find out more and ask questions in their play and learning moments. The children have added new Crew norms to their Crew trees and are working on showing these as a Crew.

In crew this week in KS1 we have been enhancing our reading areas, in light of World Book Day so that the children fully enjoy reading for pleasure. They are looking so much better...I am so impressed with everyone's efforts!

Year 3/4 enjoyed their first Community Crew assembly in a while! It was lovely to celebrate everyone's achievements and our Crew champions! We've also loved celebrating World Book Day and working hard to improve our reading areas!

This week has seen our older children spend time reflecting on their year so far. Children have had an opportunity to share their learning, critique their quality and craftsmanship and make pledges for the rest of the year.





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## Attendance shout outs:

Our attendance winners for last week were:

**Crew Cooper  
With 100% attendance**

Well done - great work!!



## Beautiful Work:

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-15-fabulous-artwork/>



<https://greentopschool.co.uk/crew-jackson-fabulous-artwork/>



## Blog of the week:

### World Book Day

Check out all of the World Book Day blog posts on our website!





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Sharing our stories as we go...

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

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/sharing-our-stories-01-03-2024/>



Academic Success:

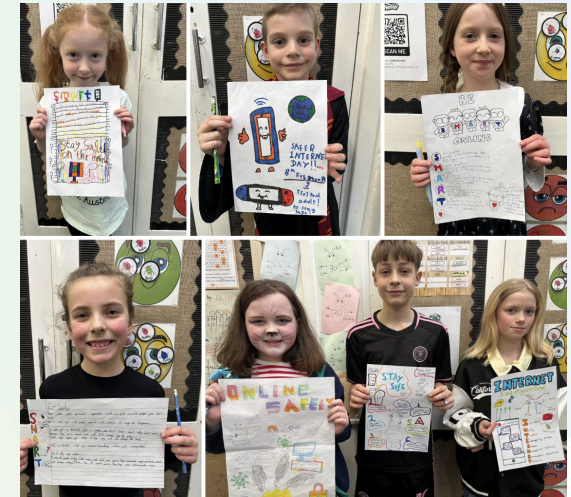
<https://greentopschool.co.uk/class-10-forces-experiment/>



Shout out:

And the winner is.....

<https://greentopschool.co.uk/safer-internet-day-winners/>



Message from 'The Friend's of GT':

Easter Fayre  
Thursday 28th March



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

Raffle tickets will be out on Tuesday! Here are the prizes:



Weekly lunch menus:

Please find dinner menus attached:

[DINNER MENUS wc 30-10-23.pdf](#)





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## Communication

Phase Leader email addresses:

EYFS - Miss Carter - [euys@greentopschool.org](mailto:euys@greentopschool.org)

KS1 - Mrs Shaw - [ks1@greentopschool.org](mailto:ks1@greentopschool.org)

Y3/4 - Miss Knowles - [y3-4@greentopschool.org](mailto:y3-4@greentopschool.org)

Y5/6 - Mr Mumby - [y5-6@greentopschool.org](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## 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!

### **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.

### **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.



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## 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.

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## 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 ...

## 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.







## 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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### Scouts

62nd Doncaster (Thorne)

