

# Greystoke Newsletter



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## House Points

Dragons	63
Minotaurs	93
Phoenix	107
Unicorns	71

Well done Phoenix!

## Schools Funding Letter

Following the letter from the Trust's CEO, Paul Stone, I would like to remind you of the ways that you can help our school.

One of our biggest expense is the swimming pool, please can all parents whose children swim during school time remember to pay the contributions to the lessons. We do not charge what it costs us but ask for a contribution. For the spring/summer term this was only £24.

Trips and visitors in school are another area where we need every parent to pay so that the costs of the trip or visitor is covered.

Unfortunately, if this is not the case we will have to cancel the trip.

I hope that you can support us in these activities as they are an important part of school life.

## Advisory Board Election

The school would like to welcome one of our parents, Samantha Brown to join the School Advisory Board after she won our recent parent election. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the other parents who stood for election and thank all the parents that took the time to vote.

## Parking

There continues to be many concerns by both parents and neighbours about parking both in Thornton Drive and Carlton Avenue and I would ask that everyone is considerate to each other. We have applied to the County scheme which supports schools in keeping the roads safe for our children.

## Brocks Hill Trip

Our year one children had a fun, but very wet day last week at Brocks Hill to coincide very aptly with their topic on water. They all enjoyed pond dipping and found interesting bugs and insects such as scorpion beetles, damselfly larvae and tadpoles.

After lunch the children built dens in the wooded area.

A good day was had, despite the weather.

## Twycross Zoo Visit

Year 2 went off to the zoo last week to look at what makes us like other animals. They were particularly interested in animals that are not usually found in our environment - some of which are endangered and some are not. This week they have been creating collages on what they saw.

Again, despite the weather, they had a great day.

### With this newsletter:

- Conkers Visit - Reception
- Multi-Skills Festival - Year 2
- Victorian Workshop - Year 1
- Warning Zone - Year 6
- Keyboard Club - Years 2,3,4 and 5
- Library Competition - All Years

## Landscape Gardener

We are looking for recommendations for a local landscape gardener to give the school a quote to develop an area of land. If you own your own landscaping business and are interested, please call the school.

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### Term Dates:

#### Summer Term 2019

May Half Term Monday 27th May -  
Friday 31st May  
School Closes Friday evening 12th  
July 2019

### School Dates:

Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th May  
Kingswood Residential Year 4  
Tuesday 21st May - Mini Beast  
Workshop Year 3/4  
Thursday 23rd May - Magenta Class  
Assembly  
Thursday 13th June - Red Class  
Assembly  
Friday 21st June - Multi Skills Festival  
Year 2

### KS1 Lunches and School Census

We would like to encourage as many children in KS1 as possible to have a hot dinner this Thursday 16th May as the school census is taken on this day.

### Mini Enterprise Sale

At break time next week on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, our year 6 children will be selling snacks and slime they have made as part of their topic on Mini Enterprise. Prices will range from 50p to £1. Children are welcome to bring in some money to make a purchase.

### Certificates

Last week certificates were awarded to:  
Isabelle, Sophie and Mia from Aquamarine Class for all working well as a team for their Mini-Enterprise project.  
From Crimson Class Finley for his fantastic mathematical knowledge!  
In Emerald Class India for her outstanding attitude to learning in all areas.  
Drew from Turquoise Class for his detailed knowledge of facts about bugs in science.  
From Violet Class Freya-Louise for showing resilience in Art.  
From Magenta Class Jack for his excellent contributions in Guided Reading, Phoebe for her fantastic angles work in maths and Keira for her beautiful use of colour mixing in art.  
In Yellow Class Zack for his fantastic attitude to his school work and improvement in his spellings.  
Evie-Rose from Green Class for making a fantastic fish tank and showing resilience when making the harder parts.  
From Orange Class Harriet for planning and designing an amazing fish tank.  
In Red Class Lucille for embracing all her learning with enthusiasm and making a fabulous effort especially in writing and Phelan for persevering with making a 'golden harp' and super effort in writing.  
From Blue Class Louis for persevering with making his harp independently and Jacob for independently measuring using a ruler and trying his best.  
Nursery were pleased last week with Ben for his great skills in PE and good exercise moves.  
**10 Star Certificates** were given to Phoebe from Violet Class and Sebastian from Turquoise Class.  
Well done to you all!

### Medical Appointments

If your child is attending a medical appointment please write in advance where possible. You should also bring into the office the appointment letter/card so that we may take a photocopy and file it for our records. We would expect children into school before or after their appointment time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

### Library 'Space' Competition

Amongst the letters coming home with your child today will be a competition being run by our local library. Entries can either be returned to school or to the library.