

Greystoke Newsletter



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We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Before half term, our Reception and Nursery children went hunting for a bear in their production of We're Going on a Bear Hunt. They had a great time singing, dancing and acting out the story chasing the bear through the wavy grass, across the deep, cold river, through the thick oozy mud and around the dark forest. They were pleased to catch the bear in the narrow gloomy cave!

All the Reception and Nursery staff were very proud of the children's amazing performance, well done to all. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work putting on a great production. Many thanks also to the parents/ carers for supporting the performances and providing brilliant costumes.



Turquoise Class Assembly

Turquoise Class gave us an informative assembly before the holiday on what they had learnt through the term, including their topic on Guatemala. The assembly started with an excellent video showing the history and culture of Guatemala. There was an example of Mayan weaving techniques made by the children and hung on the wall.

Some of the children then went on to speak in French in a café scene. The whole assembly ended with everyone singing a multiplication song to the tune of Mamma Mia which left the whole school in a good mood.

Well done to Miss Simmons and Turquoise Class for a brilliant assembly.

Staff Vacancies

Greystoke is currently looking for a **full time, permanent, Premises Officer** to join our staff. For further details please call in to the office.

We are also looking for a **permanent and relief (to cover staff absences) Lunchtime Supervisors** to join our dinner time team. The rate of pay is **£7.27** per hour, please contact the office for further details.

House Points

Dragons	174
Minotaurs	178
Phoenix	159
Unicorns	183

Well done Unicorns!

With this newsletter:

- Science Conference Years 3/4 and 5/6
- Scholastic Books
- Book Vouchers
- Pancake Day Menu Attached

Nut Products

Please can we remind parents that we have some children in school with serious nut allergies; even being near nuts can cause severe reactions in some cases. As the children all eat in the hall together, we would appreciate children not bringing into school any nuts for snacks or in their packed lunches at dinner time or any nut products, for example, peanut butter. Thank you for your support.

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Term Dates: 2017

Spring

School closes Friday evening 7th
April 2017 for Easter

Summer

School opens Monday 24th April 2017
May Day - Monday 1st May 2017
Half Term - Monday 29th May - Friday
2nd June 2017
School closes Thursday evening 13th
July 2017 for Summer Holiday

Autumn

School opens Tuesday 29th August
Half Term - Monday 16th - Friday
20th October 2017
School Closes Wednesday 20th
December 2017
Further dates for 2018 are now
available on the school website or
from the school office.

School Dates:

Thursday 9th March - Yellow Class
Assembly

Gymnastics Competition

Our Year 5/6 children took their part in the DSAT Gymnastics before the holiday, each performing on the vault, floor and body management. They had all learnt their routines brilliantly. Well done to all!

Parking

As the school is not responsible for the roads surrounding the area, if you see inconsiderate/dangerous parking, please inform the police. It is not acceptable that children cannot walk to/from school in safety!

Certificates

Before half term, certificates were awarded to:
Joe Burbidge from Emerald Class for showing determination in all learning and participating eagerly in all lessons.
From Crimson Class Mia Vesty for her determined effort and attitude to all her learning.
In Aquamarine Class Jacob Harrison for his ambitious vocabulary in English and Callum Sykes for his improved presentation in English.
Heike Brown from Magenta Class for writing a fantastic piece about Mount Vesuvius.
In Turquoise Class Oliver Murby for his brilliant homework model of Mount Vesuvius.
Daisy Lakin in Violet Class for her continued improvement with presentation.
From Purple Class Keira Sykes for using exchanging to help her subtract.
In Yellow Class Maiya Mehai for her super story writing.
Dhruvi Joshi from Orange Class for her fantastic contribution to the lesson about India.
From Blue Class Jenson Daniell for creating lots of different pieces of wonderful art work and all of Blue Class for their fantastic performance of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'.
In Red Class Raymond Hurst for his fabulous homework on Five Little Ducks and Pagan Spatcher for working hard to make a super lion with pasta for his mane.
Nursery were pleased with Freddie Sharma for being such a helpful nursery boy.

Change to Lunchtime Menu

There is to be a permanent change to the lunchtime menu **every Monday on Week 3**. Instead of the advertised Chicken Fricassee it will now be Spaghetti Bolognese.
Can we also remind parents of the change of menu for **Pancake Day on Tuesday 28th February**. This menu is now margherita pizza or jacket potatoes with beans and coleslaw followed by pancakes or fruit compote. Please see the attachment with this newsletter.

Leicester Cathedral Choir

The Cathedral Choir who will sing for The Queen when she visits in April are holding auditions for children aged 7-10 on Saturday 4th March. To find out more about the choir or to book an audition slot, please contact Chris Ouvry-Johns on chris.ouvry-johns@leccofe.org or phone 0116 2615374 or 07982 444087. There is no charge for choir membership.