



# Greystoke Newsletter

## Harvest Festival

Before half term the whole school walked to All Saints Church to celebrate Harvest Festival.

The school had chosen to support Leicester South Foodbank who support families in need in our area.

A big thank you to all of you who donated dried and tinned goods to this worthy cause, they were certainly very grateful to receive the large amount of goods we donated!



Father Alan spoke about celebrations and how at harvest we thank God for the gift of food. The children sang the harvest songs beautifully and were all very well behaved. Father Alan has also asked us to pass on his thanks for the generous donation of £87.55 towards the new church toilet appeal.

## Facebook

This social media platform is a great opportunity to develop new horizons and to talk with people all over the world. There are some concerns for a school when parents or members of their community discuss things that happen at school on line; the school does not have the chance to explain. When staff or children are discussed in this forum it can stay there for a long time and create issues far beyond the school. I would ask that if you have a problem in school that you come and talk to us about it, so that we can solve any problems and explain any misunderstandings.  
Mary Thornton



## Flu Nasal Spray

All children from Reception to Year 6 will bring home today a flu vaccination form. **This is a nasal spray not an injection!** We hope that by having as many children vaccinated as possible we will be able to reduce the number of sick days for children and hence, working days for parents!

Please make sure **all details** are completed (as failure to do so may result in your child not being vaccinated) and the form is **signed** and returned to the office by **Wednesday 8th November**.

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## House Points

Dragons	154
Minotaurs	163
Phoenix	168
Unicorns	149

Well done Phoenix!

## With this newsletter:

- Primary Times
- Karate Leaflet
- Flu Vaccination
- Book Pack - Reception Children

## £1 Coins

As £1 coins are now no longer legal tender, we will not be accepting them as payment for uniform, trips etc. Please check before you send payment to us that only new coins are enclosed.

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## School Dates:

### Term Dates 2017/2018

#### Autumn Term 2017

School closes Tuesday evening 19th December for Christmas

#### Spring Term 2018

School Opens Monday 8th January 2018

February Half Term Monday 12th - Friday 16th February  
School Closes Friday Evening 23rd March

#### Summer Term

School Opens Monday 9th April  
May Day - Monday 7th May  
May Half Term Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June  
School Closes Friday 13th July

## School Dates:

Thursday 26th October - Reception Phonics Workshop 8.45am-9.15am and 3.15pm-3.45pm  
Thursday 2nd November - Emerald Class Assembly  
Friday 3rd November - PTA Disco  
Thursday 9th November - Botanical Gardens Trip Year 2  
Thursday 9th November - Warwick Castle Trip Year 5  
Friday 17th November - children In Need  
Thursday 30th November - Christmas Decorations Afternoon

## Halloween Disco Tickets



### Friday 3rd November

Infant Disco 6pm-7pm  
Junior Disco 7.30pm-8.30pm  
Nursery children are welcome to the infant disco but parents must stay with their child.

**Tickets are £2 -**  
available from Thursday 26th October from the office

Prizes for the best fancy dress and best dancers!  
Try our Yucky Dips and play games!

## Junk Orchestra

Before the holiday, Year 5 took part in a junk workshop session. An instructor came into school with lots of instruments made out of junk for example, dustbin lids, bicycle wheels and traffic cones. The children had a great time learning about beats and rhythms and making their own music.



## Spare Clothing

Nursery would be very pleased to receive any donations of spare boys school trousers aged 3/4 or any spare pants for children of nursery age so the children can be changed in case of accidents.



## Upcoming Events

The school will again be supporting the BBC Children In Need appeal on Friday 17th November. More details will follow shortly.