

Greystoke Newsletter



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E-Safety Week

A letter has been sent home with your child today explaining about the e-safety week all children have been participating in this week. The focus has been on being respectful online and what to do if they find something upsetting. Please read the letter and the email attached to the newsletter for more information.

Year 1 Library Visit

Over the next few weeks, all our year groups will be visiting Narborough and Littlethorpe Community Library to enhance children's love of reading.

Year 1 were the first to visit yesterday and were given a talk on how the library works and how to tell the difference between fiction and non-fiction books and where to find them in the library. Some children who had not joined the library before were excited to join and were given a library card which allows them to take 12 books out at a time.

The librarians also explained the types of activities that are on offer through the holidays and about being able to use their internet facilities to look up information.

'Free' School Meals

As you are aware, the school receives funding from the government to provide all children in KS1 and reception with a free school meal. Whilst this is a free option to parents, it is not something that is 'free' to the school. The school has to pay for these meals based on the number of meals ordered on that day (this also includes packed lunches provided for trips) therefore, the school could lose out if meals ordered are wasted. If your child orders a meal, then no longer requires it without providing reasonable notice, you may be asked to cover the cost of that meal (currently £2.20). This also applies to KS2 children in receipt of a free school meal.

In order for our lunch numbers to be more accurate, it would be useful if children put their own packed lunch boxes on the trollies in the morning, helping them to remember if they are packed lunches or hot dinners when asked.

House Points

Dragons	315
Minotaurs	306
Phoenix	327
Unicorns	281

Well done Phoenix!

With this newsletter:

- Library Visit - Year 5
- Football and Fitness Year 1-6
- Primary Times
- Letter Join Login - Email attached
- E-Safety Letter
- E-Safety - Email

Nursery Places

Letters for our Nursery places starting in September 2018 have been sent out this week. If your child is due to start school in September 2019, they will be eligible to start in Greystoke Nursery this coming academic year. Places are going fast so if you haven't already registered please pick up a form from reception.

**Next week is half term -
School re-opens on Monday 19th February**

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Term Dates 2018

Spring Term

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:

Monday 5th - Friday 9th February -
Bikeability Year 6
Wednesday 7th February - Early
Years Production
Thursday 22nd February - Turquoise
Class Assembly
Tuesday 27th February - Cadbury
World Year 3/4

Letter-join

Some parents have asked if we could remind them of the login details for Letter-join. This is the program used in school to show children how to form letters on a computer or tablet in the same way as we teach in school. For further details please see the email attached to the newsletter today.

Thinking Day

Any children in rainbows, brownies, guides, cubs or scouts are welcome to wear their scouting uniform to school on Thursday 22nd February to celebrate Thinking Day.

Certificates

Last week certificates were awarded to:
Emily from Indigo Class for writing a brilliant discussion piece about the use of magic! And Jacob for his great use of conjunctions within a magical discussion text.
From Emerald Class Thierry for his fantastic effort in his homework and for sharing his ideas in class.
In Crimson Class Jack for being a superb role model.
From Magenta Class Sebastian for his excellent work on fair trade.
Sameron from Turquoise Class for his excellent effort and independence in maths.
From Violet Class Oliver for his fantastic presentation and positive attitude to learning.
In Purple Class Liam for using a written method to add accurately.
Matthew from Yellow Class for making a great moving vehicle in DT.
From Green Class Frank for his great story writing in English.
Lily from Orange Class for her fabulous drawing and caption of Little Red Riding Hood in computing.
From Blue Class Samuel for being a good role model and always trying hard.
Nursery were pleased last week with Edie for listening to her initial sounds really well and Emma for her creative junk modelling.
10* Certificates were awarded to Layla, William and Isabella in Turquoise Class.
A 20* Certificate was given to Joseph in Turquoise Class.
Well done to you all!

Enderby Junior Band Free Concert

There will be a short free concert at Enderby Church on Saturday 24th February 6-8pm for any children who may be interested in playing a brass instrument. For more information please see www.enderbybands.com



Swimming Pool

Please support our swimming pool by returning donations as soon as possible to the office. The £20 cost is for swimming up until the end of the summer term and is only £1 per 3/4 hour session. The pool is a valuable resource and the school is very lucky to have it.