













Week Ending: Friday 7th July 2023



Dear Parents,

What an exciting week it has been! Thank you to everyone who came along to support both of our Sports Days this week and thank goodness the weather behaved for us. I think all of our cheering blew the rain clouds away! The children had a whale of a time competing in their houses against each other in a whole range of races. A highlight for me was the real sense of teamwork between all of the children - they encouraged one another, cheered each other on and supported one another throughout. I'm sure you'll agree that they showed the sport values in abundance.



All of the children were awarded with well-earned house points at the end of each of their races which were totalled up and the whole school winning house was Marcus Rashford! Well done, everyone.

We also have winning house teams for each year group from Year 1 - Year 6. Please see the winning houses for each year group below:

Year 1: David Attenborough Year 2: Malala Yousafzai Year 3: Marcus Rashford Year 4: Marcus Rashford

Year 5: Jake Daniels Year 6: Rose Ayling-Ellis

Children from these houses in each of the respective year groups will now have the opportunity to represent Green Meadow and compete against all of the other schools in the MAT in the Excelsior Olympics. It's fabulous to see that all five of our houses will be taking part in at least one year group. More details about the Excelsior event will follow next week.

Our Year 6s are having a fabulous time at Blackwell Adventure on their end of year residential trip. They've loved working together and having the opportunity to take part in a range of activities such as archery, climbing, walking through trees, the zip wire as well as having an evening dip in the swimming pool! A huge thank you to all of the staff who have made this such a special trip for the children.

And finally, the annual Speak Up! Speak Out! competition at the MAC is in full swing as we speak. Thank you to Bertie and Rami for hot footing it over from Blackwell this morning to take part and represent school in the finals. I'll keep you posted about how we get on next week but can tell you that their speeches are amazing!

I hope you all have a great weekend. Take care Miss Arrowsmith

Diary Dates July2023

MONDAY 10th

Reception PE Kit Needed
Year 2 Weoley Castle
Library visit

TUESDAY 11th

Years 5, 4 & 2 PE Kit Needed

WEDNESDAY 12th

Year 1 PE Kit Needed
Transition Afternoon 1.303pm/ New reception
families in school pm

Year 6 Outdoor Learning Kit Needed

THURSDAY 13th

Years 5 & 2 PE Kit Needed Year 1 and 2 Excelsior Sport Event 9.30-11.30 Year 3 and 4 Excelsior Sports Event 1-3pm

FRIDAY 14th

Year 6 PE Kit Needed
Year 5 and 6 Excelsior Sport
Event 9.30-11.30



Please note the additional PE session for Year 5 on Tuesday.



YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TO BLACKWELL ADVENTURE 2023













Succeeding together
Ensuring equality for all
Engaging learning
Aspiring from the start

New Classes for September 2023

It's that time of year when the children start thinking ahead to a new school year and whose class they might be in! We have shared which class they will be in for next year and all of the classes will have the opportunity to meet their new teachers and get to know them in 'Meet Your Teacher' afternoon next Wednesday. How exciting! Please see below for the classes for 2023 – 2024.

Current Year Group	Current Class	Current teacher	New Year Group	New Class	New Teacher
Reception	Zebras	Mrs Grimer	Year 1	Lions	Mrs Jones and Mrs Desogus (Job Share)
Reception	Leopards	Miss Spencer	Year 1	Tigers	Mr Bestwick
Year 1	Tigers	Mr Bestwick	Year 2	Gazelles	Mrs Bestwick and Miss Spencer (Job Share)
Year 1	Lions	Mrs Jones and Mrs Desogus (Job Share)	Year 2	Giraffes	Miss Turton
Year 2	Gazelles	Mrs Bestwick	Year 3	Bournville	Miss Smith
Year 2	Giraffes	Mr Wilson	Year 3	Cadbury	Mrs Whettell
Year 3	Bournville	Miss Smith	Year 4	Shakespeare	Mr Wilson
Year 3	Cadbury	Mrs Whettell	Year 4	Tolkien	Miss Palmer
Year 4	Shakespeare	Miss Llarinas	Year 5	Saturn	Mr Mason
Year 4	Tolkien	Miss Palmer	Year 5	Mars	Miss Baillie
Year 5	Saturn	Miss McGillivray	Year 6	Jupiter	Mrs Mullard
Year 5	Mars	Miss Baillie	Year 6	Saturn	Mrs Stirrop

From September, Mrs Latham, following her return from maternity leave, will be teaching in Reception with Mrs Grimer. You will notice two new names to the list of teaching staff too! Miss Turton and Mr Mason will also be joining our teaching team at Green Meadow and are excited about meeting all of the children next week. Miss Spencer will job share with Mrs Latham and Mrs Bestwick and will also be leading Computing with classes across school. Miss McGillivray is excited to be joining the Year 6 teaching team as our third Year 6 teacher. I know you will all want to join with me to wish Miss Llarinas all the very best for the new and exciting adventures she has ahead as she relocates down south. We will miss her very much and would like to thank her for all of her contributions to school.





Well done to Gazelles & Shakespeare who are our best attending classes this week.

The most punctual class in school this week was Lions who were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.

MELL DOWE!

(COLD) CHOCOLATE FRIDAY!

WELL DONE TO THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL WHO RECEIVED HOT CHOCOLATE NOMINATIONS THIS WEEK FOR GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND! THAT'S AMAZING! WE ARE ALL SO PROUD OF YOU. WE HOPE YOU HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATES DISPLAYED SOMEWHERE AT HOME TO CELEBRATE.

WELL DONE TO THE LUCKY CHILDREN WHO WON THE HOT CHOCOLATE RAFFLE. NOW THAT THE WARM WEATHER IS HERE, WE'LL BE ENJOYING COLD CHOCOLATE ICE CREAMS. WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR CHOCOLATELY TREAT!













Warmer weather

Now that the weather is warming up, please remember to check our Uniform Policy on the school website Uniform - Green Meadow

(excelsiormat.org) Either grey or black shorts or red and white or green and white checked dresses can be worn with flat' black shoes (no trainers) or sandals with proper straps (no flip flop style) which are appropriate to school.

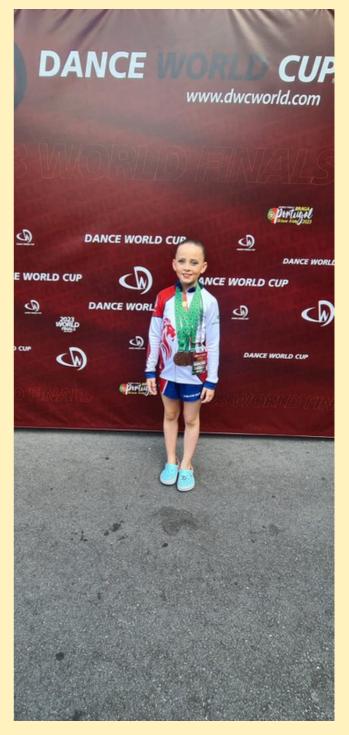
A reminder to bring a sun hat or cap and your school water bottle to school each day and apply plenty of sun cream before coming to school each day.

Just a reminder...

We will provide everything children need in school. We ask that children do not bring in anything from home into school. It can be really upsetting if items from home get lost or broken in school so enjoy playing with home things at home and we will provide everything you need in school for all we do during the school day and at clubs.



Congratulations to Dolsi in Year 4 who is representing GB in the Dance World Championships 2023! We are so proud of you! Dolsi has a clutch of well-deserved medals to come home with, including one for coming second in the world! Amazing! We can't wait to see you next week!



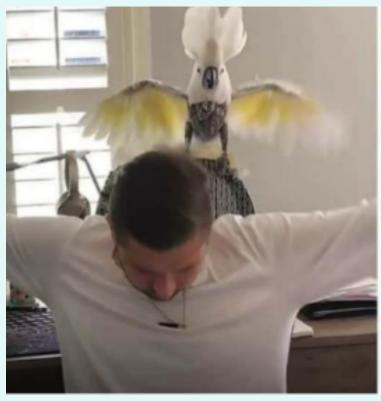








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children and their grown-ups.



WEEK COMMENCING 10TH JULY 2023



School meals are £2.35 per day, payable via Arbor, for years 3, 4, 5 & 6, unless you are entitled to free school meals.

Please note that for Reception, Year I and Year 2 <u>ALL</u> children are entitled to universal free school meals.