



Week Ending:
Friday 12th January 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all had a fabulous holiday and were able to spend time with family and friends. 2024 has got off to a great start at Green Meadow and it was wonderful welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday. The children have all impressed us with how quickly they have settled back into school and engaged in their learning! Teachers have launched the new topics that the children will be learning about this term and there is a real buzz of excitement around school. You will all be receiving this term's topic letters from teachers early next week along with topic knowledge organisers so please keep a look out for these.

On Wednesday, children from Year 5 and Year 6 had a fantastic time raising the roof when they took part in the Young Voices concert at Resorts World. They spent the afternoon rehearsing with all of the other schools taking part before performing to a sell out audience. It was amazing experience that the children will never forget! A big thank you to all of the children who took part and to Mr Bestwick, Mrs Cross, Mrs White, Mrs Smith and Mr Brooks for making it all possible. The children's singing was phenomenal and a little bird tells me that so too were Mr Brooks' dance moves! Well done, everyone!

Throughout January, as part of our wider Green Meadow offer, all of the children in KS2 will have the opportunity to take part in Bikeability training sessions. These are not only great fun, they also equip children with vital life skills. During the sessions with qualified instructors, children learn to how to cycle safely which is such an important skill to have. This week, children in Year 5 have set the bar high as they have been exemplary in all of their lessons, demonstrating our whole school values of ready, respectful and safe! Well done, Year 5!

I hope you all have a great weekend. There's cold weather on the way next week so make sure you wrap up warm!
Best wishes,
Miss Arrowsmith

PE and Outdoor Learning Days for Spring Term 2024



MONDAY

Year 2 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

TUESDAY

Year 4 and Year 3 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

WEDNESDAY 17th

Year 1 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

Year 4 Outdoor Learning - please remember to bring in outdoor clothes to change into at school for your outdoor learning lesson.

THURSDAY 18th

Year 5 and Year 6 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

FRIDAY 19th

Reception PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

Applications for the the Reception New Intake for September close on Monday, 15th January. Please remember to complete your application before the 15th to secure a place for your child.

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AND SUBMIT YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION
BY 15TH JANUARY 2024

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Reception 2024
New Intake
Please contact the school office to arrange to have a guided tour of our amazing school including our brand new VR Room!

Attendance Update

During the season of coughs and colds, we have noticed a higher than normal level of absence due to illness. We know that some children will be absent from school because they are poorly. This is absolutely fine, school does not expect children to attend school if they are ill. However, as part of our duty of care and safeguarding procedures, it is very important that school know when children are going to have an absence. We thought it would be a helpful time to remind all parents of our procedures for reporting absences.

Reporting absence from school

Where a pupil is to be absent from school without prior permission (for example if they wake up feeling poorly and are unfit for school), **the parent/carer should inform school by telephone on the morning of the day of the first absence and let school know when they expect the pupil to return. Please phone the office between 8.15am and 8.45am to do this.** If the return date is not confirmed on the first day of absence, parents/carers must contact school on each day of absence. On the day of return to school, parents must also provide written confirmation of the reason(s) for the full period of absence.

In cases of prolonged absence due to illness or where absence due to illness is above 10%, the parents/cares may be asked to provide school with medical evidence, such as a note from the child's doctor. If this evidence is not provided, the absence may be marked as unauthorised.

Appointments

Medical, dental and other essential appointments for a pupil should take place outside of school hours where this is reasonably possible. Where an appointment must take place during school time, the pupil should attend school for as much of the day as possible and as much prior notice as possible should be given to the school office, who will inform all relevant staff members. For the time absent from school to be marked as an authorised, confirmation of the appointment by way of an appointment card or letter must be provided.



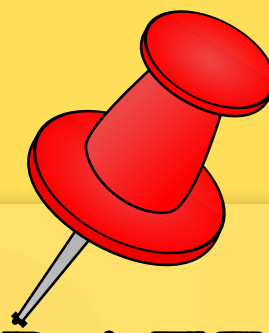
Wintry Weather!

Now that the weather has turned so much colder, I thought it a good time to remind everyone of our procedures when there is ice and snow. Whilst we endeavour to avoid any disruption to school, in the event of snow or ice on the site, there are times when it is necessary to restrict entry to the school site via the main gate if conditions on site are dangerous. In the event of this happening, a text message to all parents is sent from school. We do everything possible to ensure that school remains open when there is wintry weather but if conditions become unsafe, in the rare event of school closure, school aims to inform you of this as early as possible via text and a message on the homepage of our website. Please ensure your contact details are up to date on Arbor.



Exciting news! This term, we will be introducing you all to a new member of the team at Green Meadow...Rafa the dog! We can't wait to get 'Rafa Ready' before welcoming him into school and introducing him to the school community. More to follow in next week's newsletter!





UPCOMING DATES FOR SPRING TERM 2024...

Week 2

**Sign up to after school clubs from 5pm
on Tuesday and look out for topic
letters and knowledge organisers being
sent home.**

Monday, 15th January 2024
Year 5 Bikeability

Y5 KEVI art masterclasses at Handsworth Girls
am Mars, pm Saturn

Tuesday, 16th January 2024
Year 5 Bikeability

Wednesday, 17th January 2024
Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday, 18th January 2024
'Children's Favourites' Special Menu Day ' -
please read on to find out more!

9am How to support your child through anxiety'
parent workshop in the hall 9am

Year 6 Bikeability

Friday 19th January 2024
Year 6 Bikeability

FOGM uniform swap shop after school

Week 3

Spring Term after school clubs begin



**Monday, 22nd January - Friday 26th January
2024**

Year 3 and Year 4 Bikeability week



CHILDREN'S FAVOURITES

MENU - THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY 2024

**Chicken Goujons or Vegan Bites
Beef Cheeseburger
Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans**



**Chips
Carrots**



Jam Sponge & Custard

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Please note that for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 ALL children are entitled to universal free school meals.





MENU

WEEK COMMENCING 15TH JANUARY 2024

YOUR MENU

Week TWO

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div>Cheese & Potato Pie</div> <div>Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake</div> <div>Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans</div> <div>Assorted Sandwiches</div>	<div>Lamb Lasagne</div> <div>Vegetable Lasagne</div> <div>Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans</div> <div>Assorted Sandwiches</div>	<div>Roast Chicken With Gravy</div> <div>Fish Goujons</div> <div>Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans</div> <div>Assorted Sandwiches</div>	<div>PLEASE SEE CHILDRENS' SPECIAL MENU</div>	<div>Cheese & Tomato Pizza</div> <div>Pepperoni Pizza</div> <div>Fish Goujons</div> <div>Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans</div>
<div>Herby Diced Potatoes</div> <div>Carrots Or Beans</div>	<div>Garlic Bread</div> <div>Sweetcorn</div>	<div>Roast Potatoes</div> <div>Peas</div>		<div>Chips</div> <div>Baked Beans</div>
<div>Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily</div>				
<div>Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily</div>				
<div>Flapjack</div>	<div>Chocolate Cracknell</div>	<div>Chocolate Crunch</div>		<div>Strawberry & Vanilla mousse</div>
<div>Vegetarian Options Available Daily.</div> <div>For Any Allergen/Dietary Requirements Please Speak To The Catering Supervisor</div>				

MADE FRESH

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 keep up to date with school meal payments each week.

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