



Week Ending:  
Friday 15th September 2023



@Green\_MeadowPS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday, everyone! What a great week it's been! It got off to a truly GOLDEN start on Monday when we learned from Mr Latham that we had been awarded the GOLD schools games mark as a reward for our commitment to the development of PE and competition across school and in the community. Well done, everyone! A special thank you to Mr Latham, Excelsior MAT PE Lead, for all of his support and of course to our very own amazing PE coach, Mr Brooks!



With one of our school cornerstones being ASPIRING FROM THE START, let's aim even higher this year and go for platinum!

At Green Meadow, we are committed to providing the very best experiences for all of our children in all aspects of school and we offer a wide range of after school clubs for children to develop and nurture their talents. Clubs will start in the week beginning the 25th September so please look out for more details about this term's after school clubs on offer next week. There's plenty for everyone so don't forget to sign your child up if they see something they would like to have a go at!

Best wishes

Miss Arrowsmith

## Diary Dates September 2023

### MONDAY 18th

Year 1 & 2 - PE Please wear kit to school

### TUESDAY 19th

Year 4 & 5 - PE Please wear kit to school

### WEDNESDAY 20th

Year 2 Outdoor Learning - Please bring outdoor learning kit to school  
Year 1 walk

### THURSDAY 21st

Reception - PE Please wear kit to school

### FRIDAY 22nd

#### **SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**

***All children to come to school in their uniform.***



Year 3 & 6 - PE - as the school photographer is in school, please wear uniform to school this week and bring PE kit to school to change into!

## This term's learning!

Throughout the year, we organise the children's learning into exciting termly topics which are history and geography based and each term, your child's class teacher will send home a 'Curriculum Letter' which outlines all of the fantastic learning planned for the children.

Children will bring this term's letter home today, so please check their bags tonight! A copy will also be sent home via email.



Be an Attendance

H.E.R.O.



Here

Everyday

Ready

On time

Well done to **Tigers** who are our best attending class this week. The most punctual class in school this week was **Giraffes** who were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.



WELL DONE!



## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

For children to reach their full potential at school, it is really important that they are in school on time every day. The more children are in school, the more they will learn! Inevitably, there may be some occasions during the year when your child is not able to attend school because of illness for example. If your child is not able to come into school, please let us know as soon as you are able to by contacting the school office on 0121 475 4505.

### ABSENCE...

#### What YOU must do:

Try to telephone the school between 8 and 8.30am each day of your child's absence. Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.

If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.

Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

#### What WE will do:

Check your child's attendance every day.

Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.

Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.

If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

**Thank you for your support.**



# HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY!

## ABOVE AND BEYOND!

Well done to all of the children in school who received hot chocolate nominations from their teachers for

### GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND!

This week, an incredible 52 children from across school received nominations - that's **AMAZING!** We are all so proud of you! We hope you have your certificates displayed somewhere at home to celebrate.

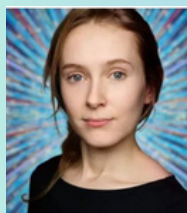
Each week, everyone who receives a nomination is entered into a draw and one person from each class is chosen at random to celebrate with a hot chocolate and a chocolatey treat. Today we had great fun enjoying our hot chocolate and cake in this year's first **HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY!**

## House Points

So many children have impressed us this week by demonstrating our school values of **READY, RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE** that a huge number of house points have been awarded! Some children have earned special purple tokens which are worth double house points for being such fabulous role models and for putting our whole school target of **GMGM - GREEN MEADOW GOOD MANNERS** - into practice! Well done, everyone! Look how many points each house has gained already!



426



335



436



321



375





Our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) lunchtimes are proving to be even more popular with all of our children this year and we are sure that this is because we now have even more equipment for them to enjoy including 3 new tyre swings. The children love them and they have certainly taken them to new heights!

This week, it has been wonderful seeing the children experiencing all we have to offer during OPAL lunch times.



For those parents and careers who are new to school, here are just some of the things children can engage with during OPAL lunch times at Green Meadow. We have a fabulous messy cafe mud kitchen, den building, crates, tyres, cable drums, pipes and barrels, bikes, trikes and wheeled play, dressing up, painting and chalking, bubbles, tinker tables and craft activities, water play, a challenging trim trail and climbing fort, sports games on the field, amazing climbing domes, a chill out area and den and even allotments where the children grow and tend to their own food! How amazing! The list is so long. All of this has been developed since January 2023 when we started on our OPAL journey, and it doesn't stop there! There are lots more fantastic additions coming soon.

At Green Meadow we value children's right to play. It is our priority to provide the children with the best experiences and opportunities to enable them to develop personally, learn to risk assess in a safe, controlled environment and get outdoors and have fun!

Sometimes the fun gets a bit muddy as we do go outside whatever the weather so please don't get cross if your child gets a bit muddy... it's a sign of a fantastic lunch time! To help us keep the mess to a minimum, please make sure your child has a pair of wellies or old shoes at school and that they bring a waterproof jacket to school each day! We do have some spare waterproof jackets and wellies to borrow at school but these are limited and we never want to let the weather stop our children having fun in the fresh air!

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Desogus (OPAL Lead)

# WEEKLY ASSEMBLY



WE'VE BEEN SHARING SOME GREAT STORIES FROM THE NEWS IN OUR ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK...ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORIES BEHIND THESE PICTURES AND HOW THEY LINK TO BRITISH VALUES AND OUR NO OUTSIDERS ETHOS IN SCHOOL.



## Maths Parent Workshops

Succeeding Together is what we do best at Green Meadow and we run parent workshops each term for you to come along and work with your child in school to find out ways to support your child's learning at home. The workshops are always popular as they are so much fun and the feedback we receive is always incredibly positive. The first of our workshops will run for Years 3, 4 and 5. If you have a child in one of those year groups, please check your child's bag for your invite today!



# Menu Kids



## WEEK COMMENCING 18TH SEPTEMBER 2023

CITY KITCHEN YOUR MENU Week THREE				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FishFingers Vegan Bites Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Chicken Curry Vegetable Curry Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Roast Chicken With Gravy Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Cottage Pie Vegetable Cottage Pie Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Tomato Pasta Sweetcorn	Rice Carrots	Creamed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables	Creamed Potatoes Peas	Chips Baked Beans
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily				
Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily				
Jam Doughnuts	Flapjack	Assorted Cookies	Chocolate Crunch	Strawberry & Vanilla Mousse
ADDITIONAL MENU OPTIONS AVAILABLE DAILY				
Vegetarian Options Available Daily. For Any Allergen/Dietary Requirements Please Speak To The Catering Supervisor				
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.

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