



Week Ending:

Friday 15th December 2023



@Green_MeadowPS

Dear Parents and Carers,

It may be nearing the end of term but there are still lots of exciting things happening at Green Meadow! Year 6 have been swimming every day this week and they are making fabulous progress. The teachers and instructors have been really impressed with how much they have improved in terms of confidence and stamina as well as in their technique. Well done, everyone!



Year 5 and Year 6 both thoroughly enjoyed their workshops with Professor McGinty on Tuesday.

Year 5 travelled back in time to learn more about the Tudors and Year 6 wowed him with their knowledge about World War II.

As you know, we are passionate about developing a love of reading at Green Meadow and Year 2 had a very exciting time visiting the library earlier in the week. They loved being able to look at the amazing selection of books on offer and share different stories.

What a fabulous day it's been at school today! Christmas has certainly arrived at Green Meadow now...it's been lovely to see so many festive jumpers and hats and we have all enjoyed the best Christmas dinner ever! We even had a special visitor all the way from the North Pole come to join us. Our amazing team of cooks managed to prepare 450 Christmas dinners in total. I don't know about you, but I struggle with four so the thought of cooking that many fills me with dread! Thank you, Jean and team! You are amazing!

Next week we are planning lots of exciting festive events. Please see the dates list on the right of this page to check your child's PE day for next week as some may have changed to accommodate these. To enable all these events to run smoothly, we ask that parents observe the limits on numbers of adults per child able to attend each event. This enables a fair access for all families while maintaining health and safety in school. We wanted to remind you that mobile phones are not permitted to be used on the school site during the day when children are here. We will ask you to turn off your phone and put it away while attending Christmas events. For performances, we will enable a time for you to take photographs of your own child at the end of the show. Let's work together next week to keep all our children safe.

Have a great weekend, everyone.

Miss Arrowsmith

PE Days and After School Clubs



Year 6 swimming all week



MONDAY 18th

Year 1 and Year 3 - PE Please wear kit to school

TUESDAY 19th

Year 4 and Year 6 PE Please wear kit to school

WEDNESDAY 20th

Year 3 Outdoor Learning - Please bring outdoor learning kit to school

THURSDAY 21st

Reception and Year 2 - PE Please wear kit to school

After School Clubs:
Year 5/6 Young Voices Choir

FRIDAY 22nd

Christmas jumoer and hat day! Everyone is invited to wear non-uniform to school.

Please note changes to PE days due to Year 6 swimming and Christmas events!

Aspiring from the start...

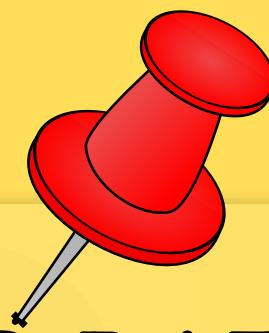
Green Meadow visits the Houses of Parliament!



Lord Hunt with Rami and Bertie

Our week got off to an amazing start on Monday as Mrs Stirrop and I were lucky enough to travel to London with Rami and Bertie who both attended Green Meadow last year. If you remember, they came first and second in the annual Speak Up Speak Out Oracy competition at the end of the summer term with their incredible speeches about equality. One of the judges, Lord Hunt, was so impressed with their speeches, their passion and their presentational skills, that he invited them to spend the day in London at the Houses of Parliament. Lord Hunt showed us around the House of Commons and the House of Lords and we even got to stay for question time in the House of Lords which was incredible. Rami and Bertie were then able to speak in detail with Lord Hunt about politics and what they had seen which was inspirational. The boys also met and spoke with Baroness Floella Benjamin who gave them some amazing advice. 'If anyone ever tells you you can't do something, show them that you can.' After such an unforgettable day, on the journey home, both boys resolved that they may not become MPs in the future but that they are determined to make a difference in this world and that they would do this with their words and actions. And the best bit is, I know that they will.

I'd like to say a huge thank you to Lord Hunt for being so generous with his time and for his wonderful hospitality, to Baroness Floella Benjamin for her wonderful words of wisdom, to the Excelsior MAT team for making the whole day possible and to the shining stars themselves, Bertie and Rami, for being such fabulous ambassadors for Green Meadow and for continuing to blaze that trail.



UPCOMING DATES...

Week commencing 18th December 2023

Year 6 swimming week

Monday, 18th December

2.15pm - Reception Christmas Workshop - parents from Zebras and Leopards class invited to come to school to join in with the fun! One parent per child invited to attend.

Tuesday, 19th December

2pm - The Year 2 Christmas performance - parents from Gazelles and Giraffes are invited to come to school to see our stars perform! Two parents per child invited to attend.

Wednesday, 20th December

Year 6 choir visit to Bryony House Care Home
Christmas Chocolate Raffle is drawn! Who will the lucky winners be?

Thursday, 21st December

2.15pm - The Year 1 Christmas Workshop - parents from Tigers and Lions are invited along to join in with the festive fun! One parent per child invited to attend.

Friday, 22nd December

Last day of term - everyone is invited to wear something Christmassy instead of uniform!

At the end of the day - KS2 Carols on the playground! Everyone welcome!
End of term - school closes at 3.20pm



CELEBRATION TIME!

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!**

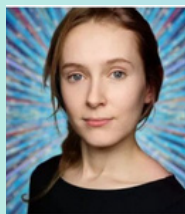
This week, an incredible 42 children from across school received nominations - that's **AMAZING!** We are all so proud of you! We hope you have your certificates displayed somewhere at home to celebrate.

House Points

A record number of house points have been awarded this week to children demonstrating our school values of **READY, RESPECTFUL and SAFE** and for showing 'GMGM' - **GREEN MEADOW GOOD MANNERS!** Well done, everyone! Look how many points each house has gained already!



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Be an Attendance

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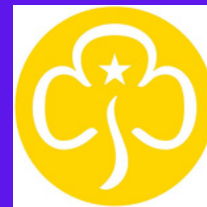
Everyday

Ready



On time

Well done to Giraffes in KS1 and Shakespeare in KS2 who are our best attending classes this week and Gazelles in KS1 and Saturn in KS2 who are our most punctual! They were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.



Congratulations to Iona in Year 4 for winning Brownie of the Year! We are all so proud of you!

OPAL UPDATE...

The digging pit continues to be very popular with the children at lunchtime and it certainly gives everyone a bit of a work out! To enhance the children's play in this area, we will be hiding items for them to find. If you have any 'treasure' that we could hide that you would be willing to donate, we would be really grateful.

We are looking for things like:

Painted stones

Hard glass stones/pebbles

Coins (old/from other currencies or plastic)

Thank you for your support!



Christmas at Green Meadow!



The countdown to Christmas is on and there's not long to go now! Would you believe that there are only 10 days 'til Christmas? We love to sprinkle a little magic in the run up to Christmas at Green Meadow so what a perfect time to share some of the events that will take up to the end of term!

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Friday, 22nd December at the end of the day - KS2 Carols on the playground!
Everyone welcome!



ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORY BEHIND THIS PICTURE WHICH WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK AND HOW IT LINKS TO BRITISH VALUES.





MENU

WEEK COMMENCING 18TH DECEMBER 2023

 YOUR MENU Week ONE				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti Bolognese Vegetable Bolognese Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Chicken Pie Vegetable Pie Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Roast Chicken With Gravy Fish Goujons Jacket Potato Assorted Sandwiches	Pork Sausage Vegan Bites Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Pasta Or Diced Potatoes	Creamed Potatoes	Roast Potatoes	Creamed Potatoes Peas Or Beans	Chips
Carrots	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables		Baked Beans
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily				
Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily				
Jam Donoughts	Chocolate Cracknell	Chocolate Crunch	Flapjack	Strawberry & Vanilla Mousse
For Any Allergen/Dietary Requirements Please Speak To The Catering Supervisor				

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.