



Week Ending:
Friday 26th January 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great week it has been as there has certainly been a real buzz of excitement around school which we all love. On Monday, the children from Year 2 had a fabulous time in the VR room exploring ancient caves as part of their current history topic all about the Stone Age and this enabled them to produce some excellent writing afterwards. If you have a child in either Giraffes or Gazelles, ask them about the bear! All of the other year groups will be heading to the VR room before Easter to have some amazing adventures which will enable them to deepen their learning. How exciting!

This week, we launched our new after school clubs for the term and the uptake of these has been phenomenal! From French lessons to coding, and sports to DT, there really is something for everyone! What's more, we have managed to give every child who requested a club a place. A big thank you to all of the staff for making our Green Meadow offer even stronger!

It was fabulous to see so many parents come along to Mrs Bestwick's amazing Reading Workshops for Year 1 and Year 2 this week. It was wonderful seeing you join in with Just Read and phonics lessons with your child! We're glad you found them so helpful.

And finally, it's time for a fond farewell as it is Mrs Boston's last day at school today. Mrs Boston has been an amazing Office Manager and I know you will join me as I wish her the very best of luck for the future. We will all miss her so much. On a personal note, I would like to thank Mrs Boston for all of her support in the office throughout her time at Green Meadow. She is definitely a Green Meadow superstar!

I hope you all have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Best wishes,
Miss Arrowsmith



The Dog Mentor



This week in assemblies, we have been getting 'Rafa Ready'! We have learned all about Rafa, our new dog mentor, and shared photos of him so that all of the children know all about him. He is such a clever dog that he even managed to write a letter to introduce himself which we have shared with everyone!

Hi, my name is Rafa. I am a Lagotto dog and I am your new dog mentor. I am going to start visiting Green Meadow Primary school after half term.

When I visit, I will be on my lead and with an adult who helps to look after me at school. This will be either Mrs Desogus or Mrs White.

I have been training with The Dog Mentor program to make sure I am ready to visit and that I am the right dog to come to your school. The Dog Mentor program has checked that I am Ready, Respectful and Safe!

In next week's assembly, the children will find out more about Rafa and what his role in school will be!

PE and After School Clubs



MONDAY 29th

Year 2 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

Afterschool Clubs

3.20-4.15pm

Year 1 - Coding Club

Year 1/2 - Team Building

KS2 - Home Learning

TUESDAY 30th

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

Afterschool Clubs

3.20-4.15pm

Year 4 / 5 - DT Club

Year 2 / 3 - French Club

Year 6 - Girl's Football Development Club

WEDNESDAY 31st

Year 1 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

Year 4 Outdoor Learning

Afterschool Clubs

3.20-4.15pm

Year 3 / 4 Netball

THURSDAY 1st

Year 6 PE Day - Please wear PE kit to school

Afterschool Clubs

3.20-4.15pm

Year 6 SATs Revision and Maths club

Year 5 / 6 Handball

FRIDAY 2nd

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

Afterschool Clubs

3.20-4.15pm

Reception - Dance Club

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF PE DAY FOR YEAR 5 THIS WEEK

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!**

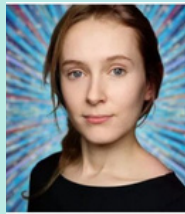
This week, an incredible 59 children from across school received nominations - that's **AMAZING!** We are all so proud of you! We hope you have your certificates displayed somewhere at home to celebrate.

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 making sure we have 'quiet, calm corridors'. Well done, everyone! Look how many points each house has gained already!



789



826



985



767



685



Here

Be an Attendance

H.E.R.O.

Everyday

Ready



On time

Well done to Lions in KS1 and Shakespeare in KS2 who are our best attending classes this week.

The most punctual classes in school this week were Gazelles and Shakespeare who were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.



CELEBRATING GREAT LEARNING!

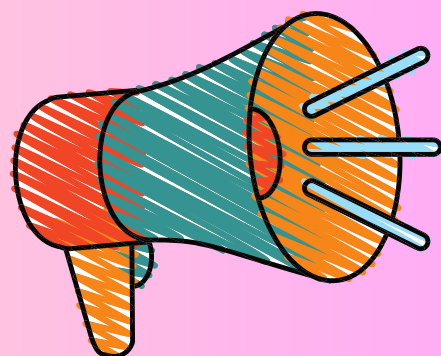
This week's **marvellous mathletes** are N in Giraffes, S in Gazelles, Y in Cadbury, T in Bournville, S in Tolkien, Emily in Shakespeare, G in Mars, P in Saturn, M in Jupiter and Tobi in Pluto.

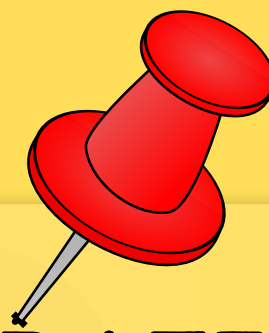
The **mathletics trophies** were awarded to **Gazelles** and **Shakespeare** this week for amassing so many points! Well done, everyone!



Well done to all of the children who have been practising their spelling on **Spelling Shed** this week. Our class leader board has **Pluto** in first place, **Mars** in 2nd and **Shakespeare** in 3rd place! Congratulations to **Joel** who has the highest individual score of the week.

A huge well done to this week's **Outstanding Orators**, J in Leopards, K in Zebras, Harry in Lions, Nicole in Tigers, M in Giraffes, B in Gazelles, D in Bournville, Margo in Cadbury, Z in Tolkien, Iona in Shakespeare, N in Mars, Charlie in Saturn, D in Jupiter and E in Pluto. You have all impressed us with how well you have demonstrated your oracy skills this week.





UPCOMING DATES FOR SPRING TERM 2024...

Week 4

Monday, 29th January 2024

Pupil Parliament visiting Turves
Green Primary School

Tuesday, 30th January 2024

Lions class assembly in the hall at
9am
Y2 Stoneage workshop

Wednesday, 31st January 2024

Vicky (Speech and Language
Therapist) in school
Year 4 outdoor learning

Thursday, 1st February 2024

Tigers class assembly in the hall at
9am

Friday, 2nd February 2024

Year 5 PE day
**FOGM cake sale after school -
please see flyer from FOGM**

Week 5

Monday, 5th February 2024

Tuesday, 6th February 2024

Y3 Symphony Hall trip

Wednesday, 7th February 2024

Vicky (Speech and Language
Therapist) in school
Year 4 outdoor learning

Thursday, 8th February 2024

Ciero Cup Challenge Day
Y5 King Edward VI history master
class day at GMPS

Friday, 9th February 2024



Measles

Currently, there is an increasing number of people in Birmingham with measles. Measles is a very infectious disease that can spread rapidly - outbreaks can happen when not enough people have been vaccinated. While most people recover completely within a couple of weeks, measles can cause serious illness. Measles can cause disruption to school attendance, as any child who has not had at least one dose of MMR and comes into contact with a person with measles will have to stay at home from nursery, school or work for 21 days.

The best way to protect against measles is to get 2 doses of the MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine. If you are not sure if you or your child has been vaccinated, you can check the personal child health record (the Red Book) or speak to your GP surgery. Anyone can catch up with missed MMR vaccinations at any age by contacting their GP surgery.

An MMR vaccine is available that does not contain any pork products.

MEASLES SYMPTOMS

If children develop symptoms of measles, parents should contact their GP surgery or 111. They should NOT go to the GP, to A&E or any other setting without calling ahead. Staff will make special arrangements to see patients so that if they have measles, they won't pass it to others.

The first signs of measles are:

- high temperature
- runny or blocked nose
- sneezing
- cough
- red, sore, watery eyes
- rash usually appears a few days after cold-like symptoms (sometimes starts around the ears before spreading to rest of the body)

Thank you!

Thank you so much to all the parents who came along to the Reading for Fluency Workshops for Year 1 and Year 2 this week.

Keep reading!



OPAL Update

What a windy week it has been! The children have been really creative with the resources outside and have used them to trap the wind as they run and play!

The next addition we are hoping to build outside is a sensory wall like the one in the picture. If you have any of the following items to donate, we would be extremely grateful! Thank you!



Have you got any working zips, door bells, door handles, locks, switches, large buttons, fidget toys, gears, chains or touch lights at home that you no longer need? If so, we can make great use of them on our new sensory wall!

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY



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 29TH JANUARY 2024

CITY KITCHEN 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 Donoughs	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.

As you are aware, Excelsior MAT have subsidised the price of our school dinners over the last couple of years. Due to further cost increases from City Serve, it will be necessary to increase the price of school meals after the Easter break. We will, of course, confirm new prices with you before this but wanted to make you aware of this price increase as soon as possible.

The
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PTA**



Excelsior
Multi Academy Trust

**FOGM CAKE SALE
FRIDAY, 2ND
FEBRUARY 2024
UNDER THE
CANOPY AREA ON
KS2 PLAYGROUND**



**FREE PRE – LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM WILL ALSO BE
AVAILABLE – NO DONATION NECESSARY.**