





Week Ending: Friday 26th September 2025



other Pupil Parliaments in the Trust. The children explored many of the capital's most famous landmarks, including the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace. A real highlight was their stop at 10 Downing Street, where they were delighted to meet the famous Larry the cat! The children had a fantastic day full of learning and memorable experiences.

On Monday, the children took part in an election to vote for the new Green Meadow Prime Minister. We are delighted to announce that Freddie has been elected as Prime Minister, with Ollie taking on the role of Deputy Prime Minister. We know they will do a fantastic job leading our cabinet of MPs and we look forward to seeing their ideas and leadership in action.

It has been fantastic to see so many parents joining us for workshops this week. From Monday to Thursday, our Year 3 and Year 4 parents attended Times Tables Workshops. The teachers shared strategies for teaching times tables and demonstrated how to make learning fun with games using playing cards, dominoes and bingo.

On Tuesday, Miss East hosted a SEND Coffee Morning. This was a valuable opportunity for parents to meet with outside agencies and find out more about the support available for children with SEND.

Today, our Reception parents took part in a No Outsiders Workshop with Mr Moffat. Using the picture book A Busy Day for Birds by Lucy Cousins, the children explored the idea that while all birds are different, they all fly together. This is a wonderful example of how the No Outsiders approach is embedded in life at Green Meadow. We would like to thank all the parents who attended—it was great to share these experiences with you.

To finish off a wonderful week, today is European Day of Languages. The children have been learning how to say hello in many different European languages so make sure you get them to show off their new knowledge when uou collect them this afternoon!

With all good wishes, Mrs Cross and Mrs Stirrop

#### Harvest Foodbank Collection 4 gR/eS

Pupil Parliament will be holding our annual harvest foodbank collection next week. Please bring tinned and dried food and toiletries to add to the collection in the foyer. We will pass this to local charities to distribute. Thank you for your support!

#### **OPAL Play Leader Elections**

Next week, we will be holding elections for class OPAL play leaders. The role of the play leader is to share information following OPALPlay Leader meetings and to share ideas from the class with the OPAL committee. If your child would like to be considered for this leadership position, please help them practise their speech this weekend!



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PE and Outdoor Learning days



Monday Year 2

Tuesday Year 3 and Year 4

Wednesday Year 1 and Year 3 (WCCC)

**Thursday** Year 5 and Year 6

**Friday** Year 6 (Coach Ella) Reception

Please wear PE kit to school on PE days.







# **Spotlight on Attendance**

At Excelsior, attendance is everyone's responsibility. Every child is expected to attend school every day.

Children with the highest school attendance, learn more, know more and remember more.

High attenders achieve the highest levels of attainment.

For the most vulnerable pupils, school attendance is a protective factor and the best opportunity for needs to be identified and support provided.

- When pupils' attendance falls below 96%, they become a concern for senior leaders. Attendance is monitored daily, weekly, termly and yearly.
- Daily contact is made with the parents of pupils whose attendance is a concern.
- Pupils who are persistently absent are monitored daily and parents are contacted to celebrate improvements or remind of targets. Records are kept of this contact.
- All parents are informed of attendance expectations at transition into school including pupils
  who join mid-year. There is a reminder of expectations for behaviour from Birmingham City
  Council at the start of every school year.
- Reasonable adjustments are made for pupils with medically diagnosed serious illness.
- A re-integration process is in place for any child who has been absent for a sustained period of time, enabling them to catch up on lost learning.
- Medical appointments must be held outside of the school day except in exceptional
  circumstances where school is made aware of the exceptional circumstances. Proof of medical
  appointments is required. Records are kept of this proof.
- Unauthorised leave can lead to penalty notices.
- Term time leave will not be authorised except in exceptional circumstances.

## **GMPS ATTENDANCE BY NUMBER**

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK- (NATIONAL EXPECTATION 96.4%)- 94.6%

NUMBER OF LEAVE IN TERM TIME FINES ISSUED TO PARENTS SINCE THE START OF TERM- 6

NUMBER OF PARENTS TAKEN STRAIGHT TO COURT THIS ACADEMIC YEAR-1

RUNNING COST OF FINES ISSUED TO GREEN MEADOW PARENTS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR- £6000

NUMBER OF CHILDREN BROUGHT TO SCHOOL LATE THIS WEEK- 39

**NUMBER OF MINUTES OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LATENESS-882** 

NUMBER OF DAYS OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LEAVE IN TERM TIME- 12



# WEEKLY ASSEMBLY





ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORY BEHIND THE PICTURES WE LOOKED AT IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK AND HOW THEY RELATE TO BRITISH VALUES



KS2

KS1





# CELEBRATING GREAT LEARNING!



Well done to all of the children who have been practising their spelling on **Spelling Shed** this week. Our class leader board this week has **Saturn** in 1st place, **Mars** in 2nd and **Jupiter** in 3rd place! Well done to our whole-school top speller, **Diana** in **Saturn**, who helped her class secure top place!





A huge well done to this week's Mathletes, **Avyukth** in Cadbury, **Luna** in Bournville, **Timothy** in Shakespeare, **Ariarna** in Tolkien, **Maxim** in Mars, **Wing** in Saturn, **Finlay** in Jupiter and **Ahmed** in Pluto.

Our top scoring classes were **Cadbury** and **Jupiter**. Keep practising on the tasks set by your teacher to become a top Mathlete!

A huge well done to this week's **Outstanding Orators**, **A** in Leopards, **R** in Zebras, **R** in Tigers, **J** in Lions, **Lyla** in Giraffes, **Nathan** in Gazelles, **Lotan** in Bournville, **Tommy** in Cadbury, **Ireoluwa** in Shakespeare, **Isla** in Tolkien, **Jenna** in Mars, **Saja** in Saturn, **Stefan** in Jupiter and **Eddie** in Pluto. You have all impressed us with how well you have demonstrated your oracy skills this week.





Congratulations to our **Readers of the Week**- who get to choose their own book to take home from the world-famous Green Meadow Book Vending Machine! **A** in Lions, **A** in Tigers, **Kairo** in Gazelles, **Maranatha** in Giraffes, **Yuna** in Cadbury, **Luna** in Bournville, **Daisy** in Tolkien, **Nazik** in Shakespeare, **Dufie** in Saturn, **Vinnie** in Mars, **Ethan** in Pluto and **Elsie** in Jupiter.





# **ABOVE AND BEYOND!**

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

#### GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND!

This week, an incredible 91 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 they show how helpful, friendly and supportive everyone at Green Meadow is. Well done, everyone!











136

161

164

**158** 

94

Be an Attendance



Everyday

Ready

On time

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

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





# WE ARE ON WEEK 2 OF THE MENU!



School meals cost £3 per day, payable via Arbor, for Years 3, 4, 5 \( \frac{4}{6} \), 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 I and Year 2 <u>ALL</u> children are entitled to universal free school meals.

# LET'S CELEBRATE FAMOUS CHILDREN'S FILMS RELEASED OVER THE YEARS IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER COOMBS



THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2025



# UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Autumn 1 Week 5 wb 29.09.25

Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

<u>Final return date for FOGM</u>

<u>Cauliflower cards artwork</u>

Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025

OPAL October starts- more

details to follow

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025
Special lunchtime menu (see
the flyer earlier in today's
newsletter)

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025
Birmingham City Mission
Assemblies

Autumn 1 Week 6 wb 06.10.25

Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Year 5 financial skills day

Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Year 6 trip to RAF Cosford
Museum- please ensure
you have signed up and
given consent in the trips
section of Arbor by 3<sup>rd</sup>
October