



# GREYTHORN PRIMARY

*"Engaging hearts, equipping minds, opening doors"*

Spring Term

Weekly Newsletter

10th January 2025

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY

Immunisation Team  
(Flu "Mop up" visit)

### TUESDAY 28th JANUARY

Young Voices - Year 5/6

### MONDAY 3rd - WEDNESDAY 5th FEBRUARY

Whitemoor Lakes - Year 5

### TUESDAY 11th FEBRUARY

Willow Class Parents' Evening

### WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY

Cresswell Crags - Year 3/4

### MONDAY 10th MARCH

Yorkshire Wildlife Park - Year 5/6  
(more details to follow)

### TUESDAY 25th MARCH

Parents' Evening

### THURSDAY 27th MARCH

Parents' Evening



# Happy New Year

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

The children have all settled back into school smoothly, which has been lovely to see.

Well done to Year 1/2, who just before the Christmas holiday, decorated an ornament each and raised £92.30 for the Salvation Army.

There are lots of exciting lessons and activities planned for this half term, and we are looking forward to seeing the children continue to enjoy their lessons, work hard to achieve their very best, and have fun.

Additionally, this term we have a range of extracurricular opportunities for all children to get involved in, including sports clubs, crafts, LEGO, music, choir, and school trips.

Kind regards,

Mrs Carpenter

## TERM DATES

### Spring Term

6 January - 14 February 2025  
25 February - 4 April 2025

### Summer Term

22 April - 23 May 2025  
3 June - 29 July 2025

**INSET:** 24 Feb, 2 Jun

# THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS



## Foundation

This week in foundation, we have been learning all about our planet. The children have enjoyed exploring where we live and learning all about the continents. We have also been exploring colour mixing in art. The children have really enjoyed being creative and sharing their knowledge about all the colours. We can't wait to make our colour wheels next week!



## Year 1/2

To begin our new enquiry topic, 'What does home look like?', we had our hook day on Monday. We learnt about the countries in the UK and used Google Earth to explore these.

We used LEGO to make some of the UK landmarks.

We even had a treasure hunt on the playground to find the main local landmarks in Compton Acres!



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## Year 3/4

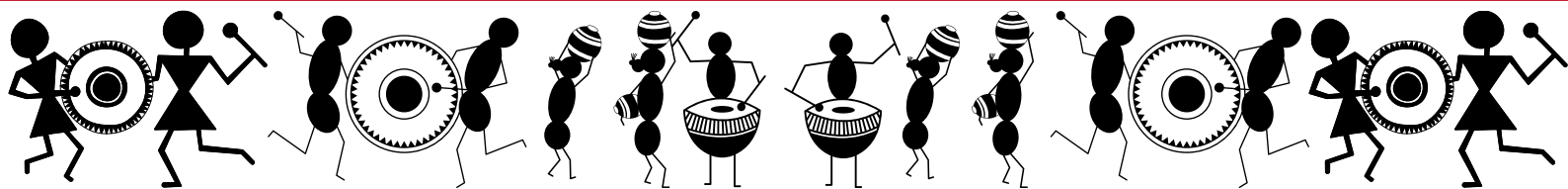
This week in Year 3/4, we have started our new enquiry, 'Is the story of our past set in stone?'

We started by having our hook day, where we began by writing out a Stone Age poem, followed by creating a timeline in the classroom that went from the modern day all the way back to the Stone Age! Then, we created our own cave paintings and learnt about Stonehenge before making our very own 'bourbonhenge'!

We have been so impressed with how the children have come back and can't wait to discover more about the Stone Age with them!



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**Year 5/6**  
Year 5/6 have started their enquiry about living in a diverse community with the Gond and Warli art.



## STAFF NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to let you know that I will be away from school from 20th January for a couple of months due to planned surgery and recovery. During this time, Mrs Cox will be Acting Head with the support of SLT and governors. I will be keeping in touch with Mrs Cox and our super Greythorn Team and will be looking forward to getting back to school as soon as I am able.

Best wishes,

Mrs Carpenter 😊

# ATTENDANCE

## Be an Attendance Hero...



## Here Every day Ready On time

Good attendance means our children will...

- Achieve well and be successful
- Know the value of hard work and efforts
  - Be kind
  - Dream Big!

**Work hard. Be kind. Dream big**

Here at Greythorn Primary School we consider good attendance to be **96%+**.

Children need to arrive at school from 8.50am and be in class by 9am.

Every day counts!

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## ELLERSLIE GIRLS CRICKET 2025



Girls aged 8-12 are warmly invited to join our team to play indoor softball cricket during the Winter months.

Contact: Helen 07779666563  
helenwoodford@hotmail.co.uk

## Bandwise 2025

WORKSHOP AND PERFORMANCE OPEN TO ALL YOUNG PLAYERS

## BIG YOUTH MUSIC EXPERIENCE



Playing workshop: Saturday 8th March  
South Nottinghamshire Academy, Radcliffe on Trent

Concert: Sunday 16th March  
Albert Hall, Nottingham



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