



GREYTHORN PRIMARY

"Engaging hearts, equipping minds, opening doors"

Autumn Term

Weekly Newsletter

8th November 2024

DATES FOR THE DIARY

THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Children in Need - deadline for competition entries

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER

Children in Need Day - wear something spotty £1

9.15am - 10.15am Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER

KS1 School Disco 5 - 5.45pm

KS2 School Disco 6 - 7pm

MONDAY 9th DECEMBER

2pm KS1 Nativity

THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER

9.30am KS1 Nativity

TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER

Sudbury Hall Trip - Year 1/2

School Carol Concert 2.30pm & 6.30pm

TERM DATES

Autumn Term

5 November - 20 December 2024

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



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

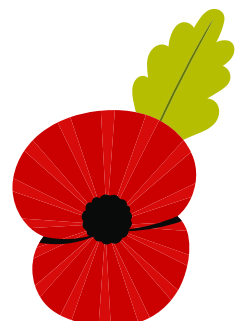
Welcome back!

This week has been filled with exciting learning opportunities, including a Virtual Reality Experience Day, a guest speaker who led our Monday assembly on Diwali celebrations, and creative preparations for Remembrance Day.

A reminder: the portal for new starter applications opened on November 4th.

Kind regards

Mrs Carpenter

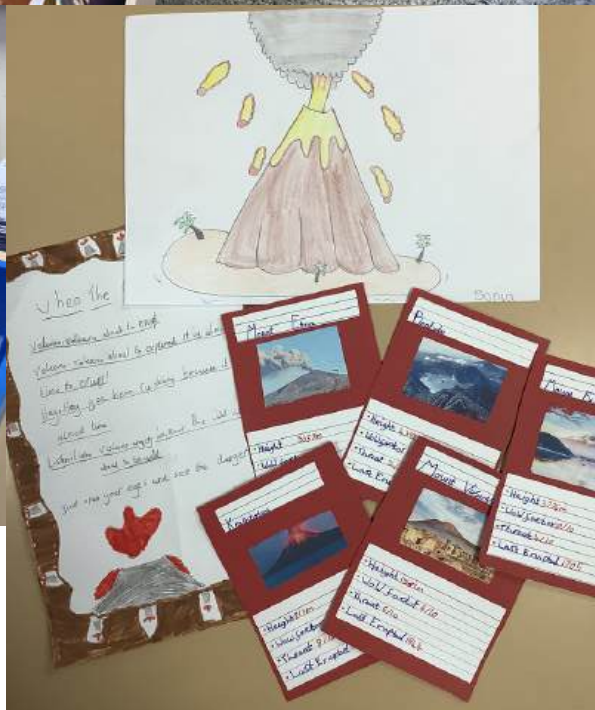


THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

In **Foundation** we launched our new enquiry question this week "How can we light up the world?" as part of that learning we talked about Bonfire night and how people celebrate by lighting up the sky with fireworks. We learnt about firework safety, shared our own experiences of watching fireworks and also had lots of fun painting our own fireworks with lots of bright colours too.



In **Year 1/2** we love sharing books and spending time in our Julia Donaldson inspired reading corners! We focus on a different author each half term; over the next few weeks we will be focusing on Oliver Jeffers and reading lots of his wonderful stories.



Year 3/4 have been amazing us with their fantastic enquiry homework all about volcanoes and earthquakes. We have had volcano eruptions, poems, artwork and even Top Trump cards. The children are so engaged with our enquiry 'Are natural disasters inevitable?'

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Virtual Reality Experience Day

As part of our enquiry 'Are Natural Disasters Inevitable?', Year 3 & 4 participated in a virtual reality experience with Prime VR. Year 5/6 also participated to enhance their understanding of continents and countries and 'The Wonders of the World'.

For Year 3/4, it was an immersive learning experience where they experienced travelling to different volcanoes and learning about their features. The children travelled around the world to visit a number of different volcanoes, learning how shield, composite and calderas are formed. They even got within a stone's throw of an eruption and caught a glimpse of the planet's most powerful volcano in Yellowstone National Park.

For Year 5/6, they brought their geography understanding and skills to life by learning about a variety of countries, continents and map skills. They competed in teams based on their geographical knowledge about a range of locations from around the world.



ART

Year 1/2 Portraiture

This term, year 1/2 have continued to develop their grip, coordination, pen pressure and line drawing skills. They have consciously used a range of drawing techniques to create a sense of dimension, capturing their own likenesses in these portraits. The idea of capturing a person's likeness at a specific time is relevant to their topic about memories.

The work on display is inspired by two cubism artists: Pablo Picasso (Italian) and Romero Britto (South American).

ART



Year 3/4 Portraiture

This term, year 3/4 have continued to develop their pencil skills by learning about gradients, contouring and shading and blending techniques. They have consciously used a range of drawing techniques to create a sense of dimension, capturing their own likeness in these portraits.

This is relevant to their topic about memories.

The work on display is inspired by two British illustrators and caricature artists: Quentin Blake and Maggi Hambling.

Their explosive, almost messy and experimental style, leads itself with the children's topics about disasters and adapting to their consequences.



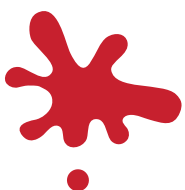
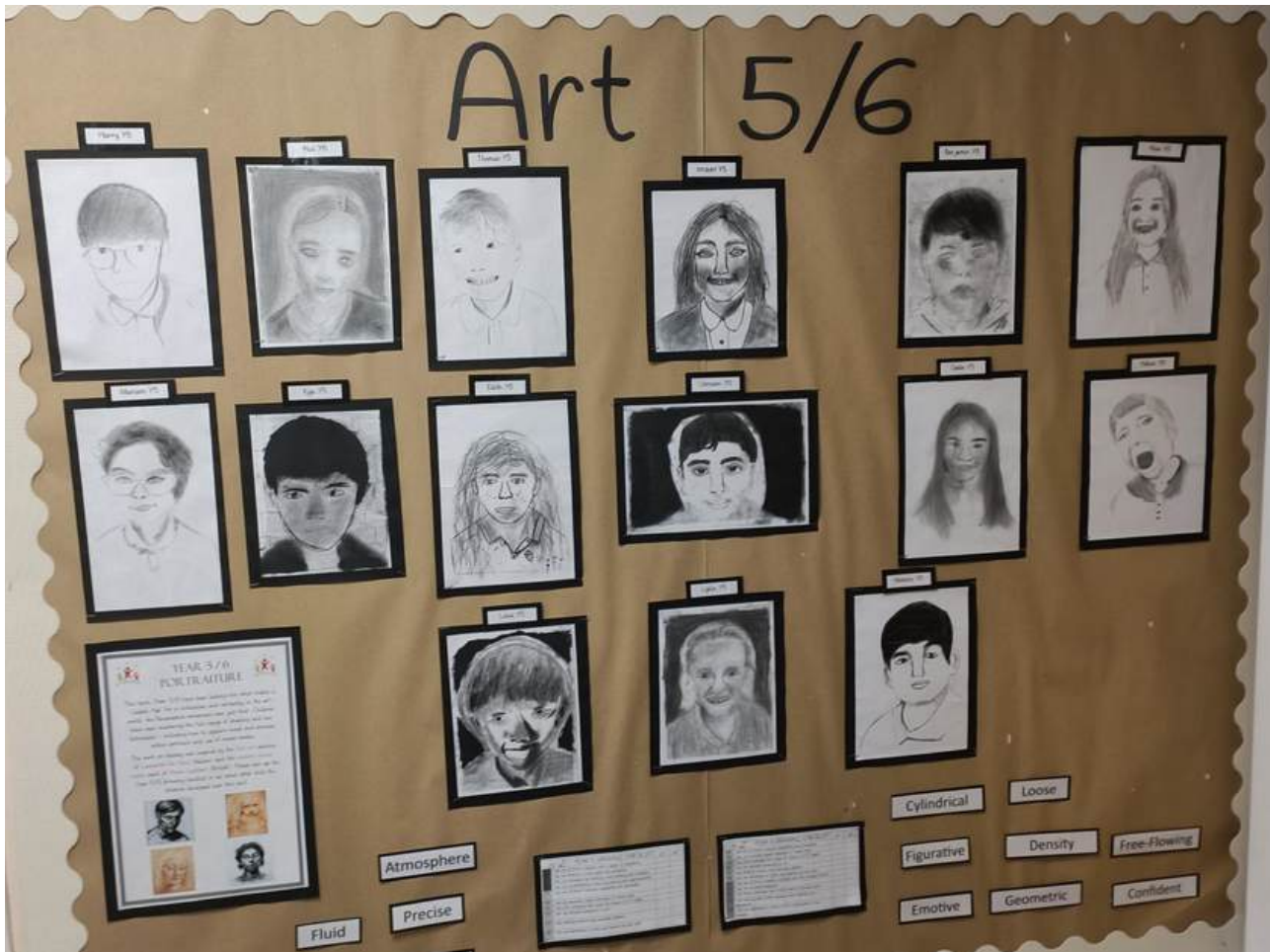
ART

Year 5/6 Portraiture

This term, year 5/6 have been looking into what makes a "Golden Age" for a civilization and certainly, in the art world, the Renaissance movement was just that.

Children have been mastering the full range of shading and line techniques - including how to capture mood and emotion within portraits and use of mixed media.

The work on display was inspired by the fine art sketches of Leonardo Da Vinci (Italian) and the modern mixed media work of Alison Lambert (British)



DIWALI



Diwali

We were happy to welcome Prashant into school (a past parent) for the Diwali assembly. Prashant informed the children about the story behind Diwali and the customs during this celebration time. We are really grateful that he gave his time to give us a really informative and interesting assembly.



MENU AUTUMN TERM 2024

Menu

w/c

11 November 2024

Please find attached our current lunch time menu.

If your child would like a school lunch they will be able to order on the day, the cost is £2.95 and needs to be paid in advance.

WEEK 2

WEEK COMMENCING
11 Nov, 2 Dec, 23 Dec, 13 Jan,
3 Feb, 24 Feb, 17 March

All of our meals are prepared using freshly sourced products from the East Midlands. If you need to know more about the ingredients used, please ask.

AVAILABLE DAILY: Best of both bread Gluten, Soya fresh fruit. Vegetarian meals available upon request



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Margherita pizza <small>Gluten Soya Milk</small>	Pork meatballs <small>Egg</small> <small>Gluten</small> OR Veggie meatballs <small>Soya</small>	Veggie Mac 'n' Cheese <small>Mustard Soya Milk Gluten</small>	Roast chicken OR Plant based sausage <small>Soya Sulphur dioxide</small> Yorkshire pudding <small>Milk Egg Gluten</small>	MSC cod dog, <small>Fish Gluten Sesame</small> Oven chips, baked beans or garden peas & tomato ketchup
SIDES	Pomme noisette, sweetcorn & diced carrots	Mashed potatoes, broccoli, sliced carrots & gravy	Garlic bread, <small>Milk Gluten Soya</small> & crunchy vegetables	Stuffing, <small>Gluten</small> mashed potatoes, broccoli sliced carrots & gravy	Jacket potato, cheese <small>Milk</small> , baked beans or tuna mayonnaise <small>Fish</small> Egg & mixed salad
PUDDING	Chocolate crispie <small>Gluten</small>	Fruit yoghurt <small>Milk</small>	Cornflake tart <small>Gluten Sulphur dioxide</small> & custard <small>Milk</small>	Lemon drizzle muffin <small>Egg Gluten Sulphur Dioxide</small>	Cheese <small>Milk</small> & Crackers <small>Gluten</small>



 Nottinghamshire
County Council

SPORTS



Sports Report

Week Commencing 14 October 2024



Greythorn's week of sports started with a group of our year 5/6s taking part in Rushcliffe's Touch Rugby Festival. Coached by England Youth and Junior players the team took part in three different exercises before taking on two local schools in Touch Rugby matches. Greythorn showed great determination to win both of their games.



The Girls Football Team took on last year's cup champions Radcliffe on Trent. Despite playing the better football our team started this game slowly and found themselves 3-0 down at half time. In the second half the girls stepped up but were once again undone by an unlucky bounce followed by a great Radcliffe attack. Greythorn did score a consolation goal which was a well worked move between our team. On another evening we'd have seen the ball hit the back of the Radcliffe net on three more occasions.



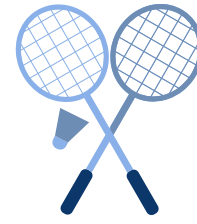
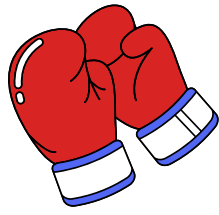
The Boys football team were unlucky not to take the lead after just a minute in their game against Jesse Grey. They showed great resilience in not letting their heads drop and worked well together in a game where everything seemed to go against Greythorn. It is worth mentioning some of the players representing the school for the first time in the Year 5/6 team. Final score was 1-6 and we moved on to the league.



Mr Bickerstaff has reported that the five children who represented us in Wednesday's basketball game against St Patrick's worked well together to score lots of points. Scores for the evening were as follows. Game 1: Greythorn won 6-3. Game 2: Greythorn won 9-2 and Game 3: 6-7 won by St Patrick's. Mr Bickerstaff described the final game, our loss as a brilliant game to be involved in so well done to all of those players.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



We are delighted to have launched our selection of afterschool sports and enrichment clubs for the next half term. They will run for 6 weeks and finish on Friday 13th December.

There are currently spaces still available in

- Tuesday Y1/2/3/4 Lego
- Wednesday Y3/4/5/6 Boxercise
- Friday Y3/4/5/6 Craft Club
- Friday Y3/4/5/6 Glow in the Dark Sports

Please book via ParentPay.

COOK WITH DELLA

AT GREYTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL

www.cookwithdella.co.uk

Bringing kids' creativity into the kitchen

Della Donnelly

Food Education Consultant

email:
cookwithdella@gmail.com

phone: 07939224397

website:
www.cookwithdella.co.uk



'Cook with Della' cookery classes

Taking bookings for November. (Christmas treats)

Classes on; Thursdays

3.30pm-5.30pm

The Cookery Club for all children aged 7 to 11 (years 3 to 6)

Each week your child will learn about new foods and learn new skills. All ingredients, drink and snack are provided. New recipe each week.

Fees are £9.50 per week, payable half termly.

Held in the school hall.

Places are limited so call 07939224397 to book a place.

AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS - AUTUMN 2

Day	Year	Lesson
Monday	1,2 3,4,5,6	Lego Table Tennis
Tuesday	1,2,3,4 1,2	Lego Table Tennis
Wednesday	3,4,5,6	Boxercise
Thursday	1,2	Craft Club
Friday	3,4,5,6 3,4,5,6	Craft Club Glow in the Dark Sports (Dodgeball, Badminton, Basketball)



If your child is interested in attending Clay Creators on Monday evenings there are still some places available.

It starts on 11th November on Mondays after school 3.30pm to 4.30pm for 6 weeks. The theme is Sea and Ice.

Only for: Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6

Booking is available now:

<https://booking.claycreators.com/bookings/course-info/1556>

FOGSA

WINTER FAIR
FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
4-5.30 PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA
SURPRISE BAGS
RAFFLE
FACEPAINTING
CAKE STALL
FESTIVE GAMES
WHEELBARROW OF WINE

FEATURING A PERFORMANCE FROM THE SCHOOL CHOIR AND VISIT FROM A SPECIAL GUEST!

GREYTHORN SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA

BRING CHOCOLATE DONATIONS TO SCHOOL AS PAYMENT FOR NON-UNIFORM DAY ON 29TH NOVEMBER.

SURPRISE BAGS

FILL A SURPRISE BAG AT HOME WITH SMALL GOODIES (TREATS, TOYS, BOOKS, ETC.). THESE BAGS WILL BE GIVEN TO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL. PLEASE RETURN THEM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BETWEEN 4TH - 5TH DECEMBER.

RAFFLE

DO YOU HAVE A PRIZE TO DONATE, OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES? LET US KNOW AT FOGSAEMAIL@GMAIL.COM.

CAKE STALL

LOVE TO BAKE (OR BUY) CAKES? ALL NUT-FREE DONATIONS ARE WELCOME! PLEASE DELIVER THEM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 5TH - 6TH DECEMBER.

WHEELBARROW OF WINE

PARENTS, PLEASE BRING WINE DONATIONS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE FROM 2ND - 5TH DECEMBER.

PRE-LOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPERS & FANCY DRESS

DONATE PRE-LOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPERS OR FANCY DRESS ITEMS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE FROM 25TH - 29TH NOVEMBER. ITEMS WILL BE ON SALE THE WEEK COMMENCING 2ND DECEMBER IN THE SCHOOL RECEPTION.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CAN YOU SPARE TIME TO MANAGE A STALL? LET US KNOW BY EMAILING FOGSAEMAIL@GMAIL.COM.

Easy Fundraising is a website you can go through to shop with your favourite online retailers. When you go through Easy Fundraising, a percentage of what you spend goes to FOGSA, at no cost to you! Once you sign up, you can enable reminders on your browser so if you're shopping online and the website will donate, a little pop up will tell you to click on it so you can help FOGSA while you shop! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-greythorn/>

Your School Lottery is another way to support the school whilst being in with a chance to win money or prizes. A percentage of the amount you spend on the lottery tickets goes to FOGSA. Every week we receive a notification that tells us one of our supporters at Greythorn has won a cash prize, so the next lucky winner could be you! Every month there is also a huge prize bundle giveaway too! If you'd like to sign up, here's the link: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/account/login?returnUrl=%2Fschool-admin%2Fdc0c3061-c9d0-46fd-b79c-4ae7961c996a>

School uniform that has been outgrown but is in good condition can be donated to the school. Please drop it off (clean!) to the school reception. We have a second-hand uniform rail in reception at a cost of £1 per item. All money raised goes to FOGSA.

Asda have launched a new fundraising scheme for schools, Cashpot for Schools is a donation initiative operated by Asda, whereby Asda will donate 0.5% of Qualifying Purchases during the Qualifying Period to eligible schools. We have already registered with Asda so you will be able to search and select our school. If you are an Asda rewards card holder, they will donate to school every time you scan your card. You can go onto your app and nominate Greythorn Primary School under Cashpot for Schools section. Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL EVENTS

We have an open morning, on **Saturday 16th November** for parents whose child is due to start school in **reception**, in **September 2025**. Please tell your friends and family.



A VERY WARM WELCOME
AWAITS YOU
AND YOUR CHILDREN



OPEN MORNING DATES FROM SEPTEMBER 2024

SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER
(10AM-12 NOON)

WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER
(9.30AM- 11.30AM)

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER
(10AM- 12 NOON)

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER
(10AM- 12 NOON)

WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

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IN DEVELOPING HAPPY
CHILDREN WHO
BELIEVE IN
THEMSELVES.

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WHAT Wear something
spotty and bring
£1 to donate

WHEN Friday 15th
November 2024



Mrs Parkin and Mrs Ackroyd would like to
invite you to come along for coffee and biscuits.

Our Educational Psychologist will be joining us
to talk about children's emotions and anxiety
along with strategies to help

Who? Open to all parents and carers of children with any additional needs (such
as Autism, ADHD, physical or learning disabilities). Your child does not need to have a
diagnosis.

What? An opportunity for parents and carers to connect, relax, share wisdom and
speak about worries. Come along and discuss issues or any concerns that may be
keeping you awake at night.

When and where?

Friday 15th November 9.15am – 10.15am at Greythorn Primary School

Booked your place by contacting the school office 0115 9149779 or
office@greythorn.notts.sch.uk

SCHOOL DISCO

Let's Party!

Wednesday 20th November

£3.50 ENTRY & SNACK

BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE

KS1 | 5-5.45PM

KS2 | 6-7PM

Tickets available on ParentPay soon

Full details will be shared WC 4th November



✉ office@greythorn.notts.sch.uk

☎ 0115 914 9779

🌐 www.greythornschoo.co.uk

📍 Greythorn Drive | West Bridgford | Nottingham | NG2 7GH

COMMUNITY EVENTS



St Paul's Boundary Road

FREE!

Messy Church

Arts and crafts

Bible stories

Singing together

Meal included!

Lots of fun for children of all ages and their parents and carers. Come along and get creative!

Saturday 16th November
3:45pm - 5:30pm



Scan to book your **FREE** place >>>

or visit stpaulsboundaryroad.churchsuite.com/events/jg8kjr4y

St Paul's Church, Boundary Road, NG2 7DB



**NOTTINGHAM TRANSPORT
HERITAGE CENTRE**

Weekends to 23rd Dec. 2024

MERE WAY RUDDINGTON NG11 6JS



The Jingle Bell Express

- Take part in a magical railway journey
- Original story performed live on-board
- Every child receives a gift
- Online booking essential
- November 30th to December 23rd



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Nottinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

Speech & Language Advice Line

(For parents and carers of children aged 0-19
and for young people aged 16-19,
who would also like to call us for advice.)

**Do you have any questions or
concerns about your child's
talking or communication?**

**We are happy to help,
please call the advice line on:**

CALL NOW



**0300 123 3387
OPTION 1**

**NOTTINGHAM CITY AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ONLY,
EXCLUDES BASSETLAW**

Monday 9am to 4.30pm (closed 12.30pm to 1pm)
Tuesday 9am to 4.30pm (closed 12.30pm to 1pm)
Wednesday 9am to 12.30pm
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