



Greythorn Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Be Greythorn Smart! -School Uniform

As you may be starting to think about buying school uniform for September, please can I remind you that **Greythorn school uniform is: -**

- A red school sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan (no hoodies)
- A red polo shirt (white is acceptable until September 2025 but RED is preferable),
- Dark GREY (**Not black**) trousers (**no leggings or jogging bottoms**)
- Dark GREY (**Not black**) knee- length skirt or dark grey (**Not black**) shorts
- Plain black shoes (**Not trainers or boots. No logos of different colours or fabric shoes.**)
- Grey or white socks, grey or red tights

No underlayers or base layers to be visible, pupils can wear school jumpers and cardigans instead with their school polo shirts.

Greythorn PE kit

- A plain white t-shirt (round- necked t-shirt)
- Plain black shorts
- Black plimsolls or trainers
- School jumper can be worn for warmth
- To be kept in a labelled drawstring PE bag

-The only jewellery that can be worn are small stud earrings, (no drop earrings or large oversized earrings). Your child must be able to remove them for PE lessons.

-Pupils with long hair (Shoulder length or longer) need to have a hair bobble to tie it back for PE days. It is advised that pupils with long hair have their hair tied back at all times but particularly for art, Science and PE.

- Nail varnish is not to be worn.

Sun safe

We hope that summer has now arrived! Just a reminder that children should all be bringing a water bottle to school. In warm weather, they should bring a sunhat and put on all-day sunscreen before they come to school. We cannot apply sunscreen at school. Children should continue to also bring a waterproof coat in case of showers.

Communication with staff

When communicating (Class Dojo/ email) with staff, be aware that if you contact staff outside of school hours, they may not reply to you until the next school day. Any messages sent during the day will be checked at a time convenient to the staff member as they will ultimately be teaching or supporting your children in class. They will do their best to reply to you on that day. If your message is urgent and requires immediate attention, please send it to the school office rather than Class Dojo. For communication with the headteacher, please use email rather than Class Dojo.

Attendance

It is vital that your child attends school every day – lost learning is hard to catch up on and can affect your child’s outcomes. Please make your child’s medical appointments outside of school times as far as is possible although we do recognise that important hospital appointments may unavoidably be in school time.



Holidays

Please do not take holidays in school term time. Holidays in term time will never be authorised and, if taken, could result in a County fine.

Pupil Premium

If your financial circumstances have changed and you are now in receipt of government benefits, please be aware that you may also be eligible for Pupil Premium funding. This funding gives many benefits in school. This includes free school meals in KS2, subsidised music lessons or after school clubs, trips or residentials and other benefits to help families and support children’s learning. I would encourage you to apply if you think you may be eligible:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/financial-support/financial-support>

If you would like an informal, confidential chat about it please email pam.parkin@greythorn.notts.sch.uk

FOGSA

This year's **summer picnic** will be held on Friday 21st June, or Friday 28th June if the weather is bad on the 21st. Please book your diaries for Friday 21st June from 5pm to 7.30pm. Bring your own picnic, or there will be hot dogs, cakes and slushies available to purchase, along with the usual cake stall, licensed bar, chocolate tombola, raffle, lots of games, inflatables and more!

We will also have a professional family photo shoot available at the picnic. A time slot needs to be booked in advance at a cost of £10 per slot. This is non-refundable, but a £10 discount will be applied to any purchases made. The photographer will ensure £10 per booking plus a percentage of what you spend goes to FOGSA. To book your slot, please go to <https://form.jotform.com/241292253276355> Full details are on the flyer at the end of this newsletter. Hurry! Only a limited number of slots are available!

We will be asking for donations of chocolate and/or cakes nearer the time. We will also need volunteers to run the stalls. Please email FOGSA at fogsaemail@gmail.com to offer a 30-minute slot when you would be available to volunteer. If you or your company have any raffle prizes, small or big, that you'd like to offer for our raffle, please hand them into reception and/or email FOGSA to let them know.

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.

Speaking of uniform, it really helps the school and your children if all items are named. FOGSA have therefore partnered with **Stikins name labels**. These name labels simply stick in your clothes, shoes, water bottles, etc and are hard wearing. Easy! Order yours at <https://www.stikins.co.uk/> using the Fundraising number **8595** so that FOGSA can get 30% of what you spend. If you would like 5 free samples per child (no obligation to buy), please email FOGSA at fogsaemail@gmail.com with your children's full names as you want them printed on the labels by Friday 24th May.

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 prize! The current prize bundle on offer is a summer getaway or £1,000! 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>

Father's Day gifts

Father's Day gifts are now on sale on Parent Pay. Please see the letter sent on Dojo on Monday for details for some great gifts for the amazing dads, granddads and father-figures in our children's lives!

FOGSA is short on volunteers. We are unable to run as many events to the scale as we have done in the past due to a lack of volunteers to help with the organisation and preparation of the events. If you would like to get involved in FOGSA to help in any way, however small or big your contribution, please email FOGSAemail@gmail.com If we don't have enough volunteers, FOGSA may cease to function following the end of this academic year, which would be a tremendous loss to the school and the school community. Please do consider getting involved!

Y6 SATs week

Well done to our Year 6s for completing their SATs papers, last week. You all worked so well and showcased the very best of our Greythorn values with your attitude and positivity towards the tests. We are very proud of you all.

Spring concert

Yesterday, we held our Spring Concert. It was a celebration of songs and music showcasing the talents of the children in school. The choir sang a selection of songs and we had brilliant performances from our instrumentalists. What fantastic, talented, musical children we have at Greythorn. Thank you to all who took part.

Save The Date: Friday 14th June

Greythorn Father's Day celebrations


Celebrating our wonderful dads and male relatives. We invite dads or a significant male member of your family to come and join us to celebrate from 8:15-8:50am.



Have a restful and enjoyable half term holiday. Please be reminded that school has an INSET day on **Monday 3rd June** so school will be closed, that day and will reopen, the next day (Tuesday 3rd June).

Community events

All Stars (ages 5-8)



We all play at:
West Bridgford Legion Cricket Club
West Park, Loughborough Road,
West Bridgford, NG2 7JE

Session dates:
Sunday 12th May to Sunday 7th July 2024

Session timings:
10am - 10.45am

Contact:
Mark Hepburn-Woods
westbrdgfordlegion@gmail.com
or search "West Bridgford Legion CC"

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- East Bridgford Tennis Club
- Bingham Tennis Club
- Ravenshead Tennis Club

TO BOOK :

Admin@acesportscoaching.co.uk
07581198 835

Upcoming events

- School INSET day- Monday 3rd June (school closed)
- Dads' day event- Friday 14th June
- Summer picnic- Friday 21st June (5pm-7.30) Back up date- 28th June)
- Foundation and KS1 sports day- Monday 24th June (1.45pm- 3.15pm)
- KS2 sports day- Thursday 27th June (1.45pm- 3.15pm)
- Summer School disco- Wednesday 24th July (FS and KS1 (5pm- 5.45pm) KS2 (6pm- 7pm))

Best wishes



Mrs Tae Carpenter

FAMILY FESTIVAL DAY

1pm - 5.30pm, Sunday 9th June 2024
Middle Street Resource Centre, Beeston NG9 2AR

Family
sing

Music in
the
garden

Drumming
workshop

Lullaby
Bank

Cake and
punch stall

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From world drumming workshops to singing sessions for the whole family and music to enjoy in the garden, there is something for everyone. There will also be a cake stall, drinks and games & activities in and around the venue.

Have a go at world drumming with Jude from BeatFeet on djembe drums and rainforest-themed props. Join Rachel in the Family Sing workshop, where all ages are welcome, from 5 - 105!



The Lullaby Bank is a group designed especially for new mothers and babies aged 0-9 months to address the specific post-partum experience. This includes well-being, bonding, emotional and physical concerns.

Open Voices are MfE's health initiative designed to suit adults with learning disabilities, come and try a session to see how it works!



More information about the Lullaby Bank and Open Voices regular sessions can be found on the MfE website: www.music-for-everyone.org/health-well-being/

If a workshop isn't for you, come along and enjoy an afternoon of relaxed music from the MfE youth bands and other ensembles in the garden with a piece of cake and a cup of summer punch. £2 entry for festival visitors.

Workshops Timetable: Sunday 9 June

Middle Street Resource Centre,
Beeston NG9 2AR

Drumming workshop #1: 1pm - 1.30pm

Drumming workshop #2: 1.40pm - 2.10pm

Lullaby Bank session: 2.15pm - 3pm

Open Voices session: 2.15pm - 3pm

Family Sing workshop: 3pm - 4pm

Informal performance by singers: 4.30pm - 5pm

How to book



Scan the QR code to go straight to the booking page.

Visit the online booking page at:



www.music-for-everyone.org/event/family-festival



Book over the phone Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm



Ask us for a paper form to complete and post with a cheque payable to 'Music for Everyone'.

Contact



admin@music-for-everyone.org



Music for Everyone, 10 Goose Gate,
Hockley, Nottingham NG1 1FF



0115 958 9312

Fees

Workshops: £7 per adult,
£5 per child

Includes entry to the festival

Lullaby Bank/Open Voices
sessions included in festival
entry fee (£2 on the day)

Pre-booking recommended for
workshops to avoid
disappointment

