



Greythorn Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope that you and your families have enjoyed a lovely holiday. We are back and raring to go with the children engaging in lots of exciting and fun learning and enjoying the spells of sunshine!

Be Greythorn Smart! -School Uniform

Greythorn school uniform is a red school sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan (no hoodies), a red polo shirt (white is acceptable until September 2025), dark grey trousers (no leggings), dark grey skirt, dark grey shorts (**not black**), plain black shoes, grey or white socks, grey or red tights. Black school shoes or boots to be worn not trainers.

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 need to have a hair bobble to tie it back for PE days. No bracelets or necklaces to be worn in school. No smart watches to be worn. Please ensure that your child/ren are not wearing nail varnish to school.

School Dinners/Packed Lunches/Snacks/Water Bottles

The new school dinner menus are available on the school website.

<https://www.greythornschoo.co.uk/lunch-menu/>

If children choose to bring a packed lunch, please make sure that it contains a healthy, balanced school lunch - no sweets or chocolate bars are allowed. We are a **nut free school** as we have children with severe nut allergies at Greythorn- please ensure all lunchbox items do not contain nuts. FS and KS1 children receive a fruit snack and milk in the mornings. KS2 children may bring a fruit snack for morning break time. Again, healthy snacks only, no sweets or chocolate bars. All children should bring a labelled water bottle to school- **this must only be filled with water.**

Attendance

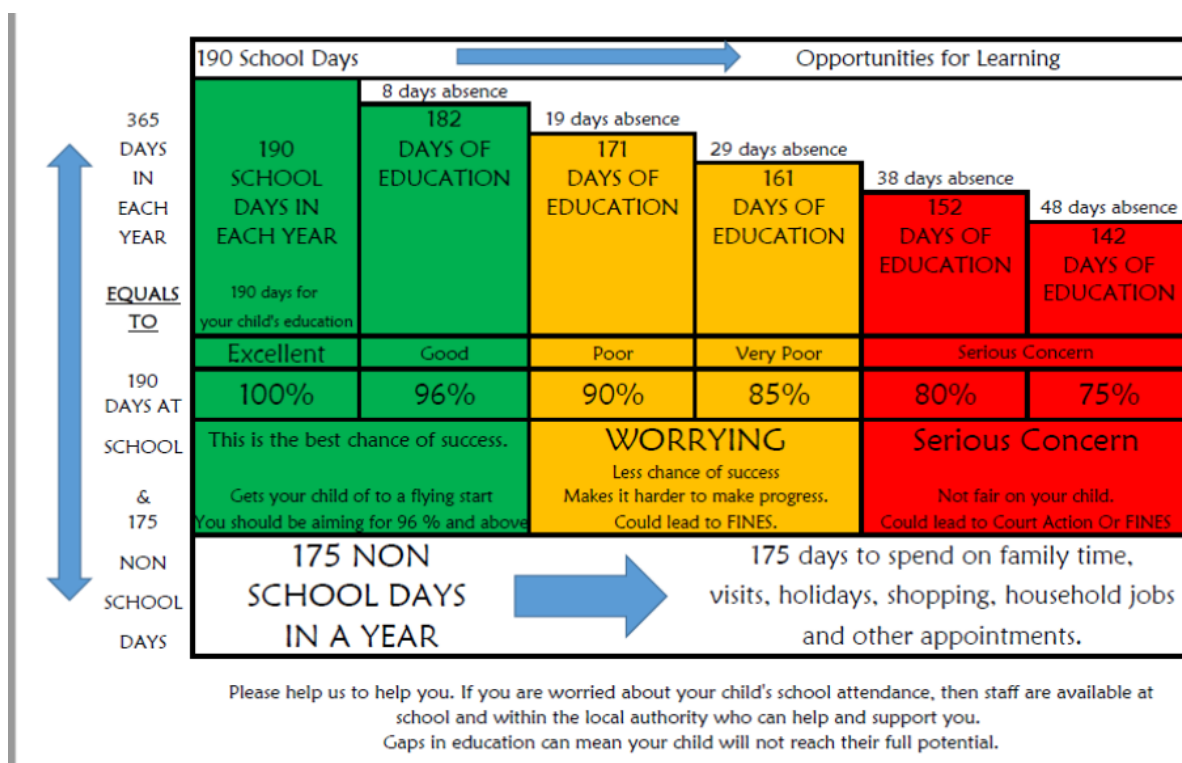
It is vital that your child attends school every day – lost learning is hard to catch up on and can affect your child's outcomes. Please make your child's medical appointments outside of school times as far as is possible although we do recognise that important hospital appointments may unavoidably be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

What is an authorised absence?

- If your child is ill and you have contacted the school-please leave a message on the office answerphone by 8.30am on first day of absence
- If your child is attending a medical appointment and school have seen evidence
- Religious observance

What is an **unauthorised** absence?

- Your child being taken out of school for a holiday during term time
- Your child not attending school due to birthday celebrations or other family events
- Your child visiting family or friends, shopping or hair appointments
- Your child taking a full day off school for medical/dental appointments
- Your child arriving to school after 9.15am
- Your child being absent with an ailment that school would expect them to attend with.
- Your child missing school due to a medical/dental appointment for a parent/sibling



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.

Spring Concert



We are looking forward to our postponed Spring music concert on Thursday 23rd May at 2:30pm and 6:30pm. The choir, instrumentalists, guitars and recorders will be performing at this concert. Please note that the drums will not be performing at this concert as the teacher is unavailable. The drummers will instead be performing on Tuesday 21st May at 9:10am in a separate assembly.

For the spring concert on Thursday 23rd May, tickets will carry over from the last concert. For the drummers' assembly on Tuesday 21st May, tickets will not be necessary.

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. 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. Further details on the plans for the picnic will be shared in the next newsletter.

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.

Father's Day gifts will go on sale before half-term. Look out for the letter on Dojo around the third week of May for some great gifts for the amazing dads, granddads and father-figures in our children's lives!

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 an i-phone 15 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>

FOGSA is short on volunteers. We are unable to run as many events to the scale 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!

Y3/4 Ilam Hall

Year 3/4 had an amazing adventure at Ilam Hall. It was the perfect hook into their new enquiry 'Do we shape the course of a river, or does it shape us?'

Whilst they were there, they explored the Derbyshire countryside, developed their map work skills, created artwork using materials they gathered and even got to discover the variety of life that lives in the river during river dipping. A particular highlight was seeing the abundance of wildlife that Spring has to offer – especially the lambs.

The children made us incredibly proud by showing all their Greythorn values and being respectful, kind and enthusiastic throughout. We have received compliments from the Youth Hostel staff, activities leaders and members of the public about the children- their enthusiasm, manners and enjoyment shone through.

We already can't wait to go back.

A huge thank you to all the staff that made it possible and to Mrs Cox for organising.

Community events

All Stars (ages 5-8)



It all starts with... **ALL STARS CRICKET**

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
westbridgfordlegion@gmail.com
or search "West Bridgford Legion CC"

Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk

Dynamos Cricket (ages 8-11)



This is our game.

**Join us at: WEST BRIDGFORD LEGION CRICKET CLUB,
WEST PARK, WEST BRIDGFORD NG2 7JE**

**Sessions will run: SUNDAY 12TH MAY TO 7TH JULY,
11AM-12PM**

dynamoscricet.co.uk



Ace Sports Coaching

Established 2016

FREE Tennis Trial

- 👤 Open to ages 4+
- 👉 All abilities welcome!
- 🎾 All equipment provided
- ✓ Places must be booked

VENUES:

- Musters Tennis club - West Bridgford
- Epperstone Tennis Club
- East Bridgford Tennis Club
- Bingham Tennis Club
- Raveshead Tennis Club

TO BOOK:
Admin@acesportscoaching.co.uk
07581 198 835

Inset Days 2023-2024

Monday 3rd June 2024

Upcoming events

Mayday- Monday 6th May (School is closed)

Y6 SATs week- 13th – 16th May

Spring concert- Thursday 23rd May 2.30pm and 6.30pm

Best wishes



Mrs Tae Carpenter