



Greythorn Primary School

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Newsletter: Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of our first half term. We have been so impressed with the children this term, coming back after the summer, enthusiastic, motivated to learn, inquisitive and above all happy to be back among their friends and staff—they have made such a positive start to the year. I too have certainly had a super start to my new role here. Thank you for making me feel so welcomed to the Greythorn family.

Be Greythorn Smart! -School Uniform

Pupils are wearing their Greythorn uniforms with pride and are looking very smart. As the weather starts to get colder, please make sure that your child/ren are wearing their coats to school and that any warm accessories that they wear is labelled.

Red hoodies are not to be worn as part of the school uniform. Please ensure that your child is wearing either school jumpers or cardigans to school.

Please ensure that your children are wearing black shoes or boots to school NOT black trainers.

We are asking pupils to take care and pride in their uniform and try not to get too muddy when playing out and making sure that they are always looking 'Greythorn smart'. Please reinforce this message at home.

If your child has pierced ears, please ensure that only small studs are worn and that if any nail varnish is worn at the weekends or over the holidays, it is taken off before returning to school.

Secondary school applications

A reminder that applications for your child's secondary school admission close on Tuesday 31st October. Click the link for details on how to apply.

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/hub>

Please ensure that you fill in all 4 secondary school choices even if you live in the catchment area and/or only want one school. This is to avoid being placed at schools far away should your application be unsuccessful. Please speak to Mrs Cox or Mrs Parkin if you would like to discuss this- we are also more than happy for you to arrange to come into school to fill the application form in.

School Council

The school council have been given their first task to complete, which is to design a positivity postcard for Hillside Primary School who will be celebrating 10 years in the trust! They have designed their first draft of their postcards and have now been tasked to complete their masterpiece postcards ready to send to Hillside Primary School, after the holidays.

Attendance: - Lateness

We are still having a handful of pupils who are late to school on a regular basis.



It is imperative that your children arrive on time for school each day.

The effects of lateness on your child can cause emotional distress and dysregulation, missed morning routines and key learning and missed early morning social time with their peers.

Lateness is regularly monitored, should this continue, you will be invited into school to discuss ways in which we can help improve this.

In total this week, there has been 7 hours and 47 minutes lost in learning time due to lateness, this is a weekly improvement however this half term, there has been **50 hours and 58 minutes** of learning time lost! That is over 1 and ½ weeks' worth of lost learning. This must improve.

Greythorn Sports

Greythorn made it through Round 2 of the Rushcliffe Schools Cup with a hard fought 5-3 away win over Carnarvon on Thursday 12th October.

With just 7 players taking part on the day the team raced into a 4-0 lead at half time showing fantastic teamwork and creative attacking play.

Carnarvon made subs whilst Greythorn had to show resilience and a good a level fitness on a big pitch which was always going to be a challenge. Our two goalkeepers on the night made some outstanding saves but Carnarvon pulled back two goals. With another change in goal allowing our defence to really press the ball Greythorn were unlucky not to extend their lead on the counterattack.

With three minutes of the game to go Carnarvon made it 3-4 however Greythorn didn't let their heads drop and three of our attackers combined well to make it 5-3 to Greythorn within a minute of us conceding the third goal.

(Tom Bingley)

Well done Greythorn football team!

Holidays

Please do not take holidays in school term time. Holidays in term time cannot be authorised and if taken, could result in a fine from, Nottinghamshire County Council.

The Lime trees

Parents are reminded to walk in, to collect their children from The Lime trees. Please do not come into the school car park to drop or pick up your children. Please park on the road and walk in.

Parent view

If you could spare 5 minutes, please can you register and complete a parent questionnaire on <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. Ofsted Parent View is an online survey that allows you (as parents) to give your views about your child's school. It is also a way for school to see how we can improve our service for you and your children.

Greythorn fundraising

Well done children and thank you (to all) for your generous fundraising from the school fun run. The total amount raised was £2059.60. This is a phenomenal amount!

Our Macmillan coffee morning and cake sale has raised £252 for the charity and we will be adding £500 to that total, making the total amount for Macmillan Cancer Support- £752!

Children in Need – Friday 17th November

For Children in Need Day, we ask for pupils to bring a £1 and 'Wear something spotty'! Throughout the morning, the children will be taking part in activities focusing on the theme of 'The power of positive relationships'.
<https://bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/positive-relationships/>

Christmas Shoebox appeal

We would like to support this local charity in collecting items for their Christmas appeal. Please bring your shoeboxes-wrapped or unwrapped, Christmas paper, or gifts (see poster) to school in the week beginning 20th November. Please note that you do not have to bring a filled shoebox. You can just bring one or more items.



We appreciate that there have been a number of charity events this term, as always, participation in these activities are voluntary. Any donations that you send is gratefully received.

Congratulations (in advance!)

A huge, good luck and congratulations to Miss Whitehead who is getting married in the holidays. We look forward to welcoming her back to school as the new Mrs Wagstaff.

Greythorn open mornings

Do you have any children starting school, next year (Sep 2024) or know anyone who does? You are warmly invited to attend our school open days on:

Wednesday 15th November 9.30am – 11.30am

Saturday 25th November 10am- 12noon

Come and see our wonderful school in action and meet our fantastic teachers.

INSET day

A reminder that **Monday 6th November** is an INSET day.

We wish you a happy half term holiday and will see you all on **Tuesday 7th November**.

Upcoming events

Inset Days 2023-2024

Monday 6th November 2023

Monday 26th February 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024

Next half term's dates

Monday 6th November

Tuesday 7th November

Tuesday 14th November

Thursday 16th November

Wednesday 22nd November

Saturday 25th November

Thursday 30th November

Friday 8th December

Friday 8th December

Wednesday 13th December

Friday 15th December

Monday 18th December

Tuesday 19th December

Wednesday 20th December

Wednesday 20th December

Thursday 21st December

Friday 22nd December

INSET day

Return to school

SEND and anxiety workshop

Autumn school disco! (Details to follow after the holiday)

Y5/6 Reading café

FS Open morning for new parents

Greythorn Choir sing at the County Hall Christmas lights switch on

Y5/6 to Holocaust Centre

Greythorn Christmas Fair

KS1 Christmas Play

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EYFS Christmas performance 1pm

KS2 Christmas Concert

KS1 to The Playhouse

EYFS Christmas performance 1pm

KS2 cinema trip

Greythorn Golden Greats

Best wishes,



Mrs Tae Carpenter