



October 2017

# GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL

Dear Parents

We have had a very busy time in school this half term and all the children have worked hard and are now ready for their half term break. It was good to see so many of you at the recent curriculum evenings and I hope you found them useful.

Mrs J. Hall

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### OCTOBER

23rd-27th Half Term break  
30th Children return to school

### NOVEMBER

7th Parent Teacher Meetings by appointment  
8th Individual Photographs  
13th Flu immunisations  
17th Children in Need - Wear Spots for Pudsey Day  
22nd Year 2 pupils to Greasby Juniors am

### DECEMBER

7th Year 2 children to visit Greasby Methodist Church  
11th Year 2 to Greasby Juniors Panto pm  
15th Year 1 Christmas Concert 9.30am  
15th Carol Service 2pm St John's Frankby. All parents invited to walk to church with us or join us there  
18th Year 2 Christmas Concert 9.30am  
Pre-School Christmas Concert 1.30pm  
19th F2 Christmas Concert 9.30am  
20th Christmas Party Day  
21st Christmas Jumper Day—End of Term  
22nd Staff Development Day—closed to children

### JANUARY

9th Children return to school

## HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION



**Tummy Bugs** It is very important that if your child is absent from school due to a tummy bug they should not return to school for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. This is the advice given by the Health Protection Agency to ensure that viruses are not passed from one child to another throughout the whole school community.

Please can you also encourage your child to adopt good hygiene practices, remembering to wash their hands after using the toilet.

### Head Lice

Please can you check your child's hair for head lice on a regular basis.

The recommendation from the school nurse is to check hair every 3-4 days. This is best done on wet hair using a fine tooth comb. If you have any concerns, you can discuss these with the school nurse by making an appointment via the school office.

**Absence** – If your child is ill and will not be attending school you must contact the school office as soon as possible on the first day of absence. You can either phone, e-mail or call into the office. If we do not hear from you, our Attendance Clerk will contact you to discuss the reason for your child's absence.

[schooloffice@greasby-infant.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@greasby-infant.wirral.sch.uk)

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### **Bike and Scooter Safety**

For the safety of all children, please make sure that bikes and scooters are put safely in the sheds and bike rack at the start of the day and not ridden around the playground. At the beginning and end of the day some children are using the playground equipment as an obstacle course, which can be very dangerous for younger children. We want to keep everyone safe in the playground and I am asking for your support to ensure that all bikes and scooters are used safely.



**Class Attendance this Term**



**F2LS 99.5%**

1SC 97.4%      2JB 98.3%      1CP 98.2%  
2KF 96.7%      F2EH 96.4%

The National Average for attendance is 96%, so all our classes are above this. Well done, keep up the good work!

## Recent School Activities

**Mad Science Assembly**—The whole school enjoyed our special assembly on 15th September, when the Mad Scientist came to share some of her experiments with the children. Everyone was fascinated with the science demonstrations.



### Bedtime Story

The Foundation Stage children enjoyed their Bedtime Story sessions and coffee afternoon on 28th September, especially dressing up in their pyjamas and slippers! Thank you to all the parents who supported the event and also those who came to the KS1 cake sale on 29th September in aid of Macmillan.

**Walk around Greasby**—Year 1 children thoroughly enjoyed finding out more about their local area during their walks around Greasby. The children collected information about the types of shops, the buildings and the local environment.



**Author 2 Schools**—The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit from the author, Fiona Woodhead on 29th September. She read one of her books to the children and told them how she plans and writes her stories, and where her inspiration for writing came from.

**European Languages Day**—We celebrated the different languages we speak in school at a special assembly on 6th October. All the children took part in the assembly either sharing their knowledge of the countries we study or speaking and singing in either French, Spanish or Mandarin. We also celebrated Confucius Day and Year 2 sang their Two Tigers song.



### Curriculum Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to the recent literacy and numeracy curriculum evenings, I hope that you found the information useful. The feedback from parents has been very positive and if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to ask any member of staff.

**Junior Chefs**—All the children thoroughly enjoyed their Junior Chefs sessions making sundried tomato bread.



## CHARITY NEWS



**Harvest Gifts**—Forum Housing, the Charles Thompson's Mission and Response were delighted with the wonderful harvest gifts you sent into school for our Harvest Celebration. The food and toiletries were given to homeless people supported by these charities. Thank you for your continued support.



**Unicef** We raised £47.65

for Unicef through our non-uniform day, wearing colours of European flags.

### 100 Club

The first 100 club draw will take place in assembly on 30th October. If you would like to be part of the 100 Club, it is not too late, please contact the school office for an application form.

Good Luck to everyone for the first draw.

**School Uniform**—Please can I remind you to make sure all school uniform, including P.E. kits, coats etc are named. This makes it much easier to return lost property to its owner. The lost property box can be found outside the Headteachers office and is currently overflowing! Sadly all the items in there are not named. If you think that your child has lost uniform etc, please come and have a look before we take the clothes to the charity shop.

## Rotary Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has offered to fill a shoebox for this appeal. Please return boxes to school by Friday 10th November.



## Macmillan Charity Cake Sale



Thank you to everyone who supported our recent charity cake sale and bedtime story afternoon. I am delighted to be able to say that we raised an amazing £538.00 for this fantastic charity. Thank you so much for your generosity and support.