

July 2016

GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL

Dear Parents

I can not believe that it is nearly the end of the term, it has gone in a flash! It has been a wonderful year with many exciting developments.

I hope you all have a lovely summer and see you in September.

J. Hall

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



SEPTEMBER

5th	Staff Development Day—Teachers only
6th	Pupils return to school

OCTOBER

24th-28th	Half Term Break
31st	Staff Development Day—Teachers only

NOVEMBER

1st	Pupils return to school
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DECEMBER

6th	Flu immunisation—Years 1 & 2 more information to follow
8th	Year 2 trip to Greasby Methodist Church
16th	Year 2 Christmas Concert 9.30am
16th	Carol Service—St John's Church 2pm
19th	Year 1 Christmas Concert 9.30am
20th	Foundation Stage Christmas Concert 9.30am
21st	Party Day
22nd	End of term for the children
23rd	Staff Development Day—Teachers only
26th Dec-6th Jan	Christmas Break

STAFFING FOR NEXT YEAR



Foundation 1 (Pre-School)

Miss K Spearing/Mrs A Dinsdale	Mrs S Medcalf
Mrs K Burke	Mrs H Prichard

Foundation 2

Mrs S Cooper	Mrs M Jervis
Mrs E Hammond	Mrs A Green

Year 1

Mrs L Horne	Mrs J Hazeldine
Mrs L Pollitt/Mrs V Clark	Mrs J Callander

Year 2

Miss K Fulton	Mrs J Shaughnessy / Mrs K Williams
Mrs J Brandreth	Mrs C Butler

PPA Teacher — Mrs H Coombes

School Admin Team

Mrs Margi Fisher	Mrs S Preston
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Pre-School Staffing—I am very sorry to have to inform parents that Miss Cotgrave has made the difficult decision to end her contact early due to family circumstances and therefore, unfortunately she will not be returning to school in September. Miss Spearing will return from her maternity leave after the October half term break and in the meantime we have appointed Mrs Dinsdale to cover the role of Pre-School Curriculum Leader. Mrs Dinsdale is familiar with the school and together with Mrs Medcalf, Mrs Prichard and Mrs Burke is looking forward to welcoming all the new Pre-School children to Greasby Infant School.

Confucius Classroom News

Penny Pan, our Hanban teacher will be returning to China at the end of term. She has worked with us for the last two years, supported by Mrs Clark and she has helped to develop our languages curriculum ensuring that our provision is a strength of the school. Mrs Pan, together with Mrs Austin, who was our languages teacher, before Mrs Clark, has worked hard to produce our Mandarin scheme of work, which we are on the verge of having published. We presented the scheme at the recent annual China Conference hosted by the Institute of Education, University College London and it was very well received. More news about this project next term.



RECENT NEWS

Induction to the Junior School— As part of the induction process the Year 2 children have been visiting the Junior School for athletics activities, the sorting hat assembly and an Olympic Art afternoon. They have also taken part in the joint Year 2 / Year 3 concert, which was a great success. We hope that everyone who attended, enjoyed the afternoon as much as the children did. Thank you to Mr Martin and his staff for inviting us.



School Choir—The children enjoyed singing at St. John's Church Garden Party on Saturday 2nd July. Thank you to Mrs Coombes for organising the event and conducting the choir.



Sports Week took place during the week beginning 13th June and all the children enjoyed taking part in the variety of activities, especially the Skip2bfit. Thank you to everyone who came to support our rearranged sports day the following week, the children thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

Infant School Proms—Year 2 children had a wonderful time performing a variety of songs at Wallasey Town Hall for the Deputy Mayor and her Consort on 9th June, as part of our British Values curriculum.



Queen's Afternoon Tea Party—the whole school had a lovely afternoon, despite the weather, at our indoor picnic to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. The children enjoyed making their scones, which they then ate at our tea party.



Farm to Fork—Year 2 and F2 classes have really enjoyed their visits to TESCO stores to explore how our food is grown and produced. They learnt about healthy eating, sustainability and where our food comes from.

End of Year Concerts—thank you to everyone who came to support our end of year performances. The children were amazing and thoroughly enjoyed their singing and sharing their review of the year with you. We hope that you enjoyed such a lovely end to the year.

Outdoor Learning Developments

As many of you may have already seen, we have been doing a lot of work developing the quad and the field to create new wildlife habitats. Mr Davies, our school caretaker has been very busy building a potting shed and aviary in the quad and will be building raised planting beds and seating areas, so that the children can use the area to support their science learning. We are also redeveloping the Enchanted Wood, by opening up the outdoor classroom areas, putting down fresh wood chippings and new logs for seating. We are also designing a wildlife pond to create different habitats that the children can study: a reed bed, pebbly beach and pond dipping area. The children are very excited by these developments and are looking forward to the new learning experiences ahead.

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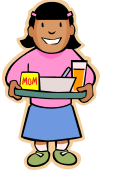
Don't forget to join Greasby Library for the Summer Reading Challenge. The theme this year is



Further information can be found at the library or at www.libraries

SCHOOL MEALS

Please be advised that if meal orders have not been received by the office a hot meal option will be ordered for September, as the food orders have to be placed before we return to school.



100 Club
Congratulations to S. Jones and Mr & Mrs Towse who were the 100 Club draw winners for June and July. Don't forget to look out for information about joining the 100 Club in September and good luck to everyone next year.

GOOD LUCK

I would like to say well done to all our Year 2 children who have worked so hard this year and have made very good progress. All the staff wish them good luck for the move to their new school and for the future. I am sure that they will enjoy the challenges ahead.



Class Attendance



2KF 96.8%
1LH 96.7%
2JB 96.5%
FEH 96.0%



FSC 95.9% 1CP 95.9%

The National Average for attendance is 96%.