



November 2018

GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL

Dear Parents

We have had a very busy time in school so far this term. It was good to see so many of you at the curriculum evenings and I hope you found them useful. We have lots of exciting activities planned for the rest of this term and are looking forward to sharing them with you over the forthcoming weeks.

Mrs J. Hall

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



DECEMBER

6th	Year 2 children to visit Greasby Methodist Church
10th	Year 2 to Greasby Juniors Panto pm
13th	Pre-school and F2 Christmas Concert 9.30
13th	Year 1 Christmas Concert 1.30am
14th	Pre-school and F2 Christmas Concert 9.30
14th	Carol Service 2pm St John's Frankby. All parents invited to walk to church with us or join us there
17th	Pop Project pm
18th	Year 2 Christmas Concert 1.30am
19th	Christmas Party Day
20th	Christmas Jumper Day—End of Term
20th	Whole school trip to the Light Cinema am
21st	Staff Development Day—closed to children

JANUARY

7th	Staff Development Day—closed to children
8th	Children return to school
10th	Year 1 children to visit Greasby Methodist Church

FEBRUARY

18th-22nd	Half Term Break
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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.

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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 so far this Term



2JB 98.6%

F2EH 96.9% 2KF 97.9% F2LS 97.1%
1CP 96.7% 1SC 96.1%

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

Recent School Activities



Bedtime Story

The Foundation Stage children enjoyed their Bedtime Story sessions and coffee afternoon on 27th 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 Year 1 coffee morning and cake sale 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.



Curriculum Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to the curriculum evenings in October. 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.



Read, Write Inc Demonstration Sessions—Thank you to everyone who came to the Phonic lessons delivered by Mrs Stocker on 1st November. If you were unable to attend on this date and would like more information or the opportunity to attend a future session, please contact the school office and if we have enough interest, we will run additional sessions in the New Year.



Scholastic Book Fair— Thank you to everyone who supported our recent book fair. We took £317.63 which means that we will now be able to order some new books for the class libraries. The younger children have asked for non-fiction and picture books, whilst the Year 2 children would like more chapter books. I'm sure they will love reading the books as soon as they arrive.



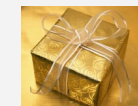
CHARITY NEWS



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 on 17th October. The food and toiletries were given to homeless people supported by these charities. Thank you for your continued support.

Rotary Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to everyone who offered to fill a shoebox for this appeal. We sent 50 shoeboxes this year.



Macmillan Charity Cake Sale



Thank you to everyone who supported our recent charity coffee morning and bedtime story afternoon. I am delighted to be able to say that we raised an amazing £523.40 for this fantastic charity. Thank you so much for your generosity and support.



Thank you to everyone who supported our "Wear Yellow" day to raise awareness for mental health. We raised £198.10 for the Young Minds charity.



Children in Need—The children had lots of fun and enjoyed dressing up to raise money for Pudsey this year. Thanks to your generosity we raised over £200 for this very worthwhile charity.



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 Headteacher's 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.