



Green Lea First School  
'Learn, Explore, Achieve'  
Weekly Newsletter  
8th of September 2023



Dear Parents,

It has been incredible how well the children of Green Lea have returned to school this week and wonderful to hear about their Summer adventures. Team Green Lea are extremely proud of everyone and we are excited to see where the 2023-2024 academic year takes us.

It has been great to officially welcome Mrs Stanton to our Green Lea Family and she cannot wait to get to know the community further.

This week the school has been a buzz with 'Learn, Explore, Achieve'. The children have proudly talked about what this means at Green Lea First School and have even created their own actions. Why not ask them to share this with you. As a team we have defined each word of our new motto and cannot wait to bring these words to life in all we do.

Learn	Explore	Achieve
Alongside wellbeing, learning is at the heart of all we do at Green Lea. We provide an engaging, purposeful and inclusive approach to teaching and learning to inspire in our pupils a lifelong love of learning.	We maximise our learning opportunities to ensure our pupils are inquisitive and equipped to question and explore the diverse world they live in.	Through our approach to learning and exploring, we are committed to securing the best possible achievements for our pupils at Green Lea First School and celebrate their successes.

At Green Lea, we will be providing termly overviews to provide you with information on what the children will be learning about in each class. Curriculum Overviews for Autumn Term will come home today with your child.

Please find below an over view of key dates for the Autumn Term which will be updated regularly. We will endeavor to provide as much notice as possible. I have also included this academic years term dates for your information. We will be offering several parent workshops throughout the year.

I look forward to working with you this year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Lindsay Harris

Headteacher

## This week at Green Lea:

Each class has been tasked with creating a class name this week.

### Class 1

Class One have settled straight into school life and we are so proud of our Early Years Children. They have painted self portraits and talked about their families this week. A huge warm welcome to our newest members of our Green Lea family. Class One have decided they are the 'Fantastic Foxes'.

### Class 2

After a democratic vote the class of the 'Super Squirrels' was born! They have made their own Class Charter and demonstrated great turn taking skills during lots of fun games.

### Class 3

What an amazing first week back! The 'Super Seekers' have settled in well and created their own Class Charter. They have had extremely thoughtful ideas about kindness, respect and resilience. They have also performed the Trust 'Champion Song' in assembly.

## R.E.A.D

We have read over 390 books since the end of March as part of our Read. Everything And Discover Challenge. Let's see if we can reach 500 by the end of September. There are great prizes to be won.

More information can be found at

[R.E.A.D. \(greenlea.staffs.sch.uk\)](http://greenlea.staffs.sch.uk)

## F.O.G.L

### Friends of Green Lea

We are extremely fortunate to have a very active FOGL group at Green Lea who make a real difference to our school community. If you would like to find out more check out:

[fogl-new-parents-letter-2020.pdf](#)  
([greenlea.staffs.sch.uk](http://greenlea.staffs.sch.uk))

## Reception and Nursery Open Morning



# Green Lea First School Open Mornings

"Learn Explore Achieve"

Visit us on Saturday the 21st of  
October  
between 9.30-11.00am  
and  
Saturday the 25th of November  
between 9.00-10.30am

Contact us  
on 01889 505309 or  
[office@greenlea.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@greenlea.staffs.sch.uk)  
to register your interest.



We kindly ask that you do share our open mornings with anyone who may be seeking a Nursery or Reception place.

Following the success of our Green Tots Play Session we are looking to add in some more dates and some Green Tots Forest School Sessions. We will keep you posted.



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**Autumn Term Key Dates and Events**

September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Friday 8<sup>th</sup> School Photos</li><li>• Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Phonics and Reading Workshops 3.30pm and 5.30pm</li><li>• Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Class 3 Roman Trip</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Class 2 Ford Green Hall Trip</li><li>• Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Mathematics Workshops 3.30pm and 5.30pm</li><li>• Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Scarecrow Competition Deadline</li><li>• Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Harvest Celebration 9.10am and 2.30pm</li><li>• Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Y4 Community Event</li><li>• Monday 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Parents Evenings (3.30pm to 6pm)</li><li>• Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Halloween Trail</li><li>• Week of 30<sup>th</sup> Half Term</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Inset</li><li>• Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Class 3 STEM Trip at Rolls Royce</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Carol Concert at All Saints Church</li><li>• Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Christmas Shows</li><li>• Week of 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Holidays</li></ul>



### Autumn Term 2023

**Inset day: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Inset Day: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Term starts:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

**Holiday:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3 November

**Inset day: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

**Term ends:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**Holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January

### Spring Term 2024

**Term Starts:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January

**Holiday:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

**Inset Day: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 - Trust Wide Inset Day**

**Term Ends:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March

**Holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

### Summer Term 2024

**Inset Day: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

**May Day:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

**Holiday:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

**Last Day of Term:** Friday 19<sup>nd</sup> July

**Inset Day: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**

**Holiday:** Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August