



Green Lea First School
'Learn, Explore, Achieve'
Weekly Newsletter
15th of November 2024



Dear Families,

Well, this is certainly an action packed newsletter this week! It really highlights all we do at Green Lea First School to provide memorable experiences that enhance our ethos of 'Learn, Explore, Achieve'.

We have had so much happening this week including a visit from some of our Green Lea Alumni who led a science session with Class 3, a whole school African Drumming experience from the Joliba West African Drumming and Dance School and to finish the week we raised awareness and raised £70 for Children In Need a charity selected by our Friendship Council. Thank you for your kind donations.

The next few weeks are jam-packed with additional events ranging from plays and trips to non-uniform and even a Green Lea Festive Market. We will provide as much advanced communication and reminders as possible, as we appreciate it is a busy time for all.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Lindsay Harris

Headteacher

This week at Green Lea:

Class 1

We have started to read and act out the story 'Owl Babies'. We have talked about what nocturnal means and what owls like to eat. We drew some lovely owl babies and their owl mummy. In Maths, Reception have been finding one less and using their five frames to show the number whilst Nursery have been looking at groups of 1,2 and 3. We're looking forward to acting out more of the owl babies story next week. Why don't you see if you know about any more nocturnal animals?

Class 2

The Outstanding Owls have worked really hard this week to use interesting vocabulary when writing their recipe for a Perfect Friend. In maths, we are continuing to practice our addition. In Geography we have learnt about the 4 countries that make up the United Kingdom and their capital cities. In PE we are starting the 'dance' unit. Wow, we have some great moves!

Class 3

In English, the children have written the first verse of their free poem based on the emotion of anger. They have used some mature vocabulary and tried hard to use similes and expanded noun phrases. Our Geographers have learnt about different types of settlements and identified some from using a map. They have also begun learning what an ordinance survey map is and identified human and physical features of Milwich.

Upcoming Key Dates

- **Friday 29th November** Non Uniform Day **Raffle Donations Please**
- **Friday 29th November** Green Lea Festive Makers Market **2.30pm - 3.45pm**
- **Thursday 5th December** Early Years Stick Man Adventure **5pm-6pm**
 - **Friday 6th December** Festive Jumper Day

Now you
see me

Now you
don't



Be Bright, Be Seen.



Admissions are open for Reception and Middle School entry. Visit [Admission to primary and middle schools - Staffordshire County Council](#)

Every Day Is An Open Day!

Get in touch to arrange your visit.



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Green Lea First School is located in a beautiful rural setting.



Every child enjoys Forest School weekly.



Part-Time/Full-Time Sessions Available

Small class sizes.



Wraparound Care Available From 3 Years Old.



Well-being is paramount.



A safe and supportive environment.



“Learn Explore Achieve”

We are like a big family at Green Lea.

My children love the school and want to be there.

I love exploring and achieving in lessons.

Get in touch by calling 01889 505309 or email

office@greenlea.staffs.sch.uk to find out if Green Lea is the right fit for your family.

It is so much fun, my child is always looking forward to the next day.

The best thing is being able to be yourself.





You're invited!

The children of Green Lea proudly
present their

Festive Makers Market!

Friday 29th November

2.30pm—3.45pm

Location: School Hall

There will be a fantastic selection of
festive items to purchase.
Please note this is a cash only event.



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We certainly put the 'rock' into our TT Rockstar Day. What a lot of maths fun we had!



Click here for a helpful guide: [What is Times Tables Rock Stars? Parents and Carers Guide](#)

NON UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

In return for wearing your own clothes, if you would like to donate items towards our Christmas hamper raffle we would be very grateful (although this is not compulsory). Chocolates, Wine, Biscuits, Smelly's or anything Christmassy please.



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The children have been busy learning about Remembrance and the significance of the poppy. We would like to give a special thanks to Mrs Bufton for providing us with the poppy kits, I am sure you will agree they look amazing. You can see some of our 'Remembrance Art' at our local church, All Saints' who kindly let us display our learning.



This week it was lovely to welcome back some of our Green Lea Alumni from Christ Church Academy for a S.T.E.M. afternoon with Class 3.

The children really enjoyed learning science with the CCA students.



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JOLIBA

West African Drum and Dance School

What a great time we had, singing, dancing and learning about West African culture and traditions!



Excitingly, if you go to the New Vic Theatre you will see our 'Friendship Art' on display. We cannot wait to take Class 2 and 3 in a few weeks to watch the show.



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Autumn Term Key Dates and Events

September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 4th 1st Day of School • Thursday 5th School Photo Day • Wednesday 11th FoGL AGM 9am (Friends of Green Lea) • Monday 16th Phonics and Reading Workshops 3.30pm and 5.30pm • Monday 30th Mathematics Workshops 3.30pm and 5.30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 2nd School Flu Programme • Friday 4th Scarecrow Competition Deadline • Friday 4th Harvest Celebration 9.10am and 2.30pm • Friday 11th Y4 Community Event • Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th Parents Evenings (3.30pm to 6pm) • Week of 28th Half Term 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 4th Inset • Friday 29st Non-Uniform Day • Friday 29th Green Lea Festive Makers Market Day 2.30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 6th Festive Jumper Day • Sunday 15th Carol Concert at All Saints Church 4pm • Wednesday 11th Christmas Shows 9.30am & 6pm and Thursday 12th Christmas Shows 9.30am & 2.15pm • Monday 16th Nursery Christmas Family Craft Session and Songs 9.00am to 10.30am • Friday 20nd Festive Surprise - Last Day of Term • Week of 23rd Christmas Holidays



Term Dates & Inset Days 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024

Inset Days: Monday 2nd September and Tuesday 3rd September

Term Starts: Wednesday 4th September

Holiday: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

Inset day: Monday 4th November

Term Ends: Friday 20th December

Holiday: Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January

Spring Term 2025

Inset day: Monday 6th January

Term Starts: Tuesday 7th January

Holiday: Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Term Ends: Friday 11th April

Holiday: Monday 14th April - Friday 25th April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts: Monday 28th April

May Day: Monday 5th May

Holiday: Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May

Inset Day: Monday 2nd June

Term Ends: Friday 18th July

Inset Day: Monday 21st July