



Green Lea First School  
'Learn, Explore, Achieve'  
Weekly Newsletter  
14th of June 2024



Dear Families,

What a busy week we have had! It was wonderful to welcome so many into school for the 'Father's Day Breakfasts'. It is not often we get the opportunity to catch up and enjoy time with the children in school as well as with other families and it was lovely to hear the buzz of chatter and laughter in the hall. Whatever you are up to this weekend, we wish you a Happy Father's Day from Team Green Lea. In other news, we are keeping a close eye on the weather for Sports Day and have everything crossed it will go ahead. We will let you know as soon as we can if it looks like we are going to have to postpone.

We are looking to expand our Governing Board. Please see the advert further in this letter if you are interested and please do share with anyone you know who may be suitable.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Lindsay Harris

Headteacher

This week at Green Lea:

Class 1 (Fantastic Foxes)

Class 1 have been enjoying using the Rekenreks to make numbers and count. They have been comparing numbers using more and fewer. They have also been continuing their learning based on the Very Hungry caterpillar through sorting food into healthy and unhealthy options. Most importantly they have all enjoyed making a couple of surprises for Fathers Day, we hope you like them!

Class 2 (Super Squirrels)

The Super Squirrels have really enjoyed starting to read *The Mousehole Cat* by Antonia Barber and Nicola Bayley in English. We are going to write a recount of the story and they have all chosen who they are going to write as; the cat or the sailor. As we are learning about Coasts in Geography, we enjoyed using the atlases in English to find Cornwall, which is a coast where *The Mousehole Cat* story is set. The Mathematicians in Class 2 have started to learn about capacity. We took our learning outside and practically compared capacities using water and lots of different sized containers. What great discussions we had!

Class 3 (Super Seekers)

In English we have begun to look at playscripts. The children have been inspired and have even been writing their own at play time which has been amazing! In Geography, we have been looking at the features of a river, different rivers in the United Kingdom and then we have focused on the River Trent. Can they find out which is the longest river in the United Kingdom?

Dates For Your Diary

- **Monday 17th of June** Standon Bowers Presentation 5.30pm
- **Thursday 20th of June**—Sports Day 1.30pm Start—Weather Permitting
- **Thursday 27th of June**—**Reserve** Sports Day 1.30pm Start—Weather Permitting
  - **Friday 28th of June**—Summer Fair 3.30pm -6pm

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Engrossed in their learning of playscripts in Class 3!



Enjoying exploring capacity in Class 2!



Super problem solving in the Early Years!

## SPORTS DAY

We are hoping to have Sports Day on the afternoon of June the 20th (weather permitting). Gates will open at 1.15pm for families and the races will start at 1.30pm.

There will be cakes and refreshments available to purchase from our amazing Friends of Green Lea (FOGL). If you would like to donate some cakes for this event please get in touch.



## Green Tots

Free Messy Play Session  
for 2-4 year olds

On Thursday 27th of June  
at Green Lea First School  
9.30am to 10.15am

15 adult and child spaces available  
Ring 01889 505309  
to book your place and find out more.



## Join Our School Governing Board!

Are you passionate about education? Do you have skills, experience, or enthusiasm that could benefit our primary school? We're looking for dedicated individuals from diverse backgrounds to join our Governing Board as **Volunteer Governors**.

### **Why Become a Governor?**

- **Make a Difference:** Influence the strategic direction of our school and improve outcomes for all our children.
  - **Share Your Expertise:** Use your skills and knowledge to support and challenge the school's leadership team.
  - **Develop New Skills:** Gain experience in governance, leadership, and decision-making.
- Be Part of the Community:** Connect with other passionate individuals and contribute to the local community.

### **Who Can Apply?**

We value **diversity** and welcome applications from all backgrounds and experiences. You don't need to be a parent or have prior governance experience to apply. We're looking for people who are:

- **Committed and Enthusiastic:** A passion for education and community involvement.
- **Collaborative:** Able to work as part of a team and respect differing viewpoints.
- **Strategic Thinkers:** Willing to bring new ideas and creative solutions.
- **Decision-Makers:** Capable of making informed, balanced decisions.

We welcome applications from all backgrounds and experiences, including those who can offer:

- **A Passion for Learning and Development:** Insights from personal, professional, or volunteer experiences in education or child development.
- **An Understanding of Finance or Business:** Any experience with managing budgets, planning, or business operations.
- **Experience in People Management:** Familiarity with supporting or managing people, whether in a job, community group, or family setting.
- **Awareness of Legal or Compliance Matters:** Basic understanding or experience with policies, regulations, or governance.
- **Community Connections:** Skills or experience in engaging with people, whether through communication, public relations, or community involvement.

Your unique experiences and perspectives can greatly enrich our school community. We encourage you to apply even if you're unsure how your skills could support the board.

### **Time Commitment:**

Governors attend one meetings each term and spend some time on related activities, such as visiting the school and participating in training.

### **How to Apply:**

If you are interested in making a positive impact on our school community, we'd love to hear from you! For an informal discussion about the role, please contact us at [jfrancis@creativelrng.com](mailto:jfrancis@creativelrng.com) and visit [The Creative Learning Partnership Trust - Join our Governance \(creativelrng.com\)](http://creativelrng.com) for more information and to download an application form.

Join us in shaping the future of Green Lea First School! **Your expertise can make a difference.**

Team Green Lea and FOGL  
present our annual

# SUMMER FAIR

**Friday 28th June**  
**3.30pm - 6pm**

- Raffle • Games • Food •
- Face Painting • Inflatable •
- and much more •

join us in the school grounds

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# WANTED



**IN GOOD CONDITION  
CUDDLY TOYS**

We're collecting cuddly toys for a stall at our summer fair. If you have any you would like to donate, please pass onto Vicky Smith at school - thank you

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## Non Uniform Day

Thank you for all of your kind donations towards the Summer Fair!





**Green Lea First School**  
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**Summer Term Key Dates and Events**

April	May	June	July
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b> Return to School - Summer Term</li><li>• <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b> Year 4 Families Multiplication Screening Check Meeting 3.30pm and 5.30pm</li><li>• <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Year 3 and 4 Play Leader Training Day</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> -</b> Class 2 &amp; Class 3 Faith Trail Trip</li><li>• <b>Wednesday -</b> Friday 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Standon Bowers Residential Year 4</li><li>• <b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup></b> Standon Bowers Day Trip Year 3</li><li>• <b>Week Beginning</b> 27<sup>th</sup> May Half Term</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> INSET DAY</li><li>• <b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b> Class Photos</li><li>• <b>Week</b> Beginning 10<sup>th</sup> Father's Day Breakfasts Class One (10<sup>th</sup> June) 8.30- 9.15am Class Two (11<sup>th</sup> June) 8.30- 9.15am Class Three (12<sup>th</sup> June) 8.30- 9.15am</li><li>• <b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup></b> Sports Day <u>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></u> <u>Reserve Sports</u> <u>Day</u></li><li>• <b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b> Summer Fayre 3.30pm - 6pm</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b> Nursery Graduation 2.30pm</li><li>• <b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></b> Year 4 Graduation 9.15am</li><li>• <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b> Last Day of Summer Term 2024</li></ul>



## Term Dates, Insets and Holiday Dates 2023-2024

### Autumn Term 2023

**Inset day:** Monday 4th September 2023

**Inset Day:** Tuesday 5th September 2023

**Term starts:** Wednesday 6th September

**Holiday:** Monday 30th October - Friday 3 November

**Inset day:** Monday 6th November

**Term ends:** Friday 22nd December

**Holiday:** Monday 25th December - Friday 5th January

### Spring Term 2024

**Term Starts:** Monday 8th January

**Holiday:** Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

**Inset Day:** Monday 19th February 2024 - Trust Wide Inset Day

**Term Ends:** Friday 22nd March

**Holiday:** Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April

### Summer Term 2024

**Term Starts:** Monday 8th April

**May Day:** Monday 6th May

**Holiday:** Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

**Inset Day:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

**Last Day of Term:** Friday 19nd July

**Inset Day:** Monday 22nd July 2024

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