



Green Lea First School
'Learn, Explore, Achieve'
Weekly Newsletter
24th October 2025



Dear Families,

It's been a busy and exciting half term, full of opportunities to learn, explore, and achieve! Our youngest children were thrilled to welcome Hoglets this week and had a fantastic time creating their very own clay hedgehogs. It was a wonderful, hands-on experience that really brought learning to life - a talk-rich, creative session enjoyed by all.

A big thank you to our wonderful Friends of Green Lea (FoGL), who are hosting the Spooky Disco tonight! We can't wait to hear all about the fun.

We hope you all enjoy some special family time over the break. Just a reminder — Monday 3rd is an INSET Day.

Wishing you a wonderful half term from all of Team Green Lea

This week at Green Lea:

Class 1

This week we have had a really good end to our half term with a visit from a special creature—a hedgehog! We heard all about what the hedgehog likes to eat, where it lives and what it does when it's scared. We then made our own clay hedgehogs which was such fun. We have also learnt about the festival of Diwali—the festival of light. We made diya lamps and colourful Rangoli patterns. We found it really interesting to learn about different cultures and their celebrations.

Class 2

The Outstanding Owls have had a great week learning about sliders and levers in Design and Technology. We have created a model of each, then chose one to use when making our moving card. I wonder if they can tell you what the difference is between these two? In Maths, the Year 2 are starting to use their number bond knowledge to answer calculations and Year 1 are using number lines. We have learnt about verbs in English and started to identify them in our sentences.

Class 3

This week the children have continued to add using a written method. The Year Three's have been adding 2 and 3 digit numbers together and the Year Four's have been completing calculations with multiple exchanges. In English, the children have been thinking of the creatures that the Iron Man could hear in the pit. The Year Three's have been writing sentences with commas and the Year Four's have been using fronted adverbials. In Design and Technology, the children have been learning what a linkage is. They have researched and made 3 different types, designed and then made one for an interactive page of a children's book.

Upcoming Key Dates

- 24th October—FoGL Halloween Event
- 27th—31st October—Half Term
- 3rd November—Inset Day

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This week in Early Years, the children had a spikey surprise! Harry the hedgehog from Hoglets Wildlife Rescue Centre came to visit. The children had a brilliant time learning about Hedgehogs as well as all things Autumn.



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Key Stage One and Two have been working on sliders, levers and linkages as part of their Design and Technology lessons. We are so proud of your achievements.



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**HALLOWEEN
SPOOKTACULAR
PARTY!**

£5 per child

(inc hot dog, squash and party bag)

Fradswell Village Hall

Fri 24th October 5.30-7.30pm

Prize for the best fancy dress!



50p tattoos and other
refreshments
to purchase!



A FoGL Event



THIS IS AN ADULT ONLY EVENT

FOGL fundraising event



**Wreath Making
Evening**

27th November

7.30pm at school

All materials provided and refreshments included

£25pp

Book now, spaces limited

Message Laura -
07834 388140



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Special Bonfire Night Menu!

**FOOD
FESTIVAL**
by Aspens

SPARKLE SPECTACULAR

5th November

Bonfire Banger Hot Dogs
with Sweet Potato Wedges
and Rainbow Slaw

Or

Quorn Bonfire Banger Hot Dogs
with Sweet Potato Wedges
and Rainbow Slaw

And

Toffee Apple Sponge & Custard



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Autumn Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 3rd 1st Day of School • Thursday 4th School Photo Day Siblings and Individual • Monday 15th FoGL AGM 9am (Friends of Green Lea) • Tuesday 16th Science Workshop WPMS @ Green Lea (Year 4) • Tuesday 23rd R.E.A.D With Me Workshop 2.15pm - 3.00pm - Class 1 • Wednesday 24th R.E.A.D With Me Workshop 9.00am - 9.45am - Class 2 • Thursday 25th R.E.A.D With Me Workshop 9.00am - 9.45am - Class 3 • Monday 29th Scarecrow Competition deadline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 1st School Flu Programme • Friday 3rd Harvest Celebration 9.10am and 2.30pm • Friday 10th Y4 Community Event 9.30am - 10.30am • Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th Parents Evenings • Friday 24th October FoGL Halloween Spooktacular 5.30pm—7.30pm. • Week of 27th Half Term 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 3rd Inset Day • Friday 14th Children In Need • Friday 28th Non-Uniform Day • Friday 28th Green Lea Festive Makers Market Day 2.30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 8th Early Years Festive Craft Session 2.00pm • Tuesday 9th Christmas Show 1.30pm • and Wednesday 10th Christmas Shows 9.15am & 6pm • Thursday 11th Festive Jumper Day • Friday 12th New Vic Theatre Trip Class 2 and 3 • Sunday 14th Christmas Carol Concert at All Saints Church, Milwich 4.00pm • Friday 19th Festive Surprise Last Day of Term • Week of 22nd Christmas Holidays



Trust Term Dates and Inset Days 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

- **Inset Days:** Monday 1st September & Tuesday 2nd September
- **Term Starts:** Wednesday 3rd September
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October
- **Inset Day:** Monday 3rd November
- **Term Ends:** Friday 19th December
- **Christmas Holiday:** Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January

Spring Term 2026

- **Term starts:** Monday 5th January
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February
- **Term Ends:** Friday 27th March
- **Easter Holiday:** Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

Summer Term 2026

- **Inset Day** Monday 13th April
- **Term starts:** Tuesday 14th April
- **May Day Bank Holiday:** Monday 4th May
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May
- **Inset Day -** Monday 1st June
- **Term Ends** Friday 17th July
- **Inset Day:** Monday 20th July

From, Lindsay Harris , Executive Headteacher & All of Team Green Lea