



Green Lea First School  
'Learn, Explore, Achieve'  
Weekly Newsletter  
28th November 2025



**Dear Families,**

What a busy week it has been for Green Lea! From bedtime stories for EYFS to dodgeball competitions for Year 4, the children have certainly 'Learnt, Explored and Achieved'.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful FoGL team and Mrs Blaize for organising the beautiful wreath making workshop last night. It was a truly lovely community event, full of creativity and festive cheer. We are incredibly grateful for the time and effort FoGL put into these events for our community. The money raised makes a huge difference.

We are very much looking forward to this afternoon's Makers Market. It is always a highlight of this festive season and I am very excited to see the fantastic creations our children have been working very hard to make.

As always, thank you for your continued support,

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

**This week at Green Lea:**

**Class 1**

Class One have enjoyed reading the book Leaf Man this week. They spotted lots of different animal shapes made out of leaves and had a go at making their very own leaf man. In Maths we have been making 5 in different ways  $4 + 1$ ,  $3 + 2$ ,  $5 + 0$  and we've used lots of different equipment to find 5 - dominoes, dice and Numicon. We have also enjoyed being entrepreneurs making lots of lovely decorations for the Christmas market - we hope that we sell a lot!

**Class 2**

This week The Determined Deers have been looking at how instructions are written and when we use them, ready for writing their own. In maths, the Year 2's have been adding and subtracting 10 from any number and the Year 1's have started to learn what 4 calculations make up the fact families. The Scientist 's in Class 2 have been studying the different senses that we have and how we use them. Here is a link all about senses [What are the senses? - KS1 Science curriculum - BBC Bitesize](#).

**Class 3**

In Maths, the Year 3 children have been subtracting 3 and 2 digit numbers and the Year 4's have been subtracting 4 digits. They have also been estimating the answers and solving word problems.

In English, the children have been looking at an example of a first person recount and are now ready to write their first part based on the film the bear and the hare. Here is the link for the film: [The Bear and The Hare - Literacy Shed](#)

In science, the children have been learning about the function of a skeleton as well as the organs which are protected by it. A useful website is: [What does your skeleton do? - KS2 Science curriculum - BBC Bitesize](#)

**Upcoming Key Dates**

- 8th December—Nursery Crafts—2pm—3pm
- 9th December—Christmas Show—1.30pm
- 10th December—Christmas Show—9.15am and 6pm
- 11th December—Christmas Jumper Day
- 12th December—New Vic Trip—Class 2 / 3

# 'Learn, Explore, Achieve'

Well done to some of our Year 4 children for coming 3rd in the Dodgeball competition at Manor Hill First School. We are so proud of your determination and teamwork!



Last night EYFS enjoyed one of their Green Goals of a 'Bedtime Story'. The children had a wonderful time listening to stories, decorating biscuits and going on an outside adventure with their torches.



Is your child joining our Reception Class in 2026? Don't forget to apply for their place! Even if they attend our Nursery, you still need to apply.

[Admission to primary and middle schools - Staffordshire County Council](#)

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Huge thank you to FoGL and Mrs Blazie for running last night's wreath making workshop.



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## Terrific Tuesday's at Lollipops

Green Lea First School

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November



**Messy Play**  
Make your own  
playdough or cloud  
dough

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November



**Baking Week**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November

**Festive Slime  
Making**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

**Slime Night - Make  
Your Own**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Craft  
Night**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December



**Christmas Disco**

3.15pm till 4.30pm - £5  
Please pre-book to enable us to cater  
for all children attending.



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## Autumn Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

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



## Trust Term Dates and Inset Days 2025-2026

### Autumn Term 2025

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

### Spring Term 2026

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

### Summer Term 2026

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