

Greatstone Primary School NEWSLETTER



Friday 25th June 2021

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 6

It's been so lovely to see the children enjoying the many enrichment learning opportunities we are now able to offer as we move gently out of lockdown.

The Tri-golf and football after school clubs have been a roaring success which is great. 'My Money Week' last week and our Sports Day activities this week have also provided another way for children to learn.

Children and staff are also very excited about the class 'Adventure Week' with further exciting learning opportunities including bouncy castles and trips out of school. It's just the most amazing feeling to begin to return to 'normal' school life.

In our assemblies over the last fortnight, we have focused on ways of keeping safe, primarily sun safety (although as soon as I introduced this, the rainy weather started!) and cycling safety. Our next theme will be road safety (particularly crossing the road) and Stranger Danger. All of these themes are also covered in our PSHE curriculum but with the summer holidays coming up, I felt it was important to revisit them.

In regards to road safety, I will be linking this to crossing the road outside school with particular reference to the top car park. You will have seen the letter that has been given out this week about parental responsibility to park safely. Double parking simply endangers our community to please, park sensibly and safely in the allocated bays and refrain from any double parking.

Sharon Lewis,

Headteacher



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Huge congratulations to the following children for their achievements:

Well done all of you, we're so proud of your achievements:



Jade: Zak for his amazing story writing. Bella for demonstrating our value of courage every day.

Diamond: Evie and Mai for their super writing

Crystal: Scarlett, Kyla, Amy, Ella and Sophie for their incredible poems

Onyx: Poppy and Jacob for their brilliant Early Birds Maths work.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Until now, we have been relaxed about school uniform as children have returned to school. We appreciate that it hasn't always been easy to get to shops (for school shoes in particular) or order clothes. I also wanted to share the following with you in good time before you begin purchasing new uniform in the summer holidays.

From September, we will return to our previous expectations that all children wear the correct uniform please. This is so that all children feel ready to learn and wearing a smart uniform helps to instil a sense of pride and togetherness in our school. May I draw your attention to purchasing shoes rather than trainers and that PE kit should be plain dark colours only (black, grey or blue) without logos. Trainers or plimsolls for PE are required also.

We regularly have lost uniform and PE kit and it's hard to return these expensive items to the owner if they are unnamed. Please can I urge all parents to label (and regularly check them after washing) to ensure we can return them in the event of them being lost. For Year R and KS1 children, a top tip: write in pen your child's name on the inside of BOTH shoes, you wouldn't believe how many other children will have exactly the same pair (and sometimes the same size) of shoes, and this can make it extra tricky to ensure they go back to the right owner.

Jewellery (other than simple/plain ear studs) and nail polish should not be worn please and hair should be tied back.



TERM 6 DIARY DATES

29th June: Parents informed of child's class for September

8th-9th July: Whole school transition

12th– 15th July: Class Adventure week

15th July: End of year reports sent home

16th July: PTA Class bubble 'Summer Fayre' (more information to follow)

20th July: 9.30am, Rhinestone leavers assembly (only 1 adult per child please)

21st July 9.30am— Ruby Class leavers assembly (only 1 adult per Y6 child please). Last day of Term 6. NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB TODAY.