



Autumn 2022

# Greengate Lane Academy Newsletter

## Welcome Back

Dear Greengate Lane Families,

I do hope you have all had an enjoyable summer. We are extremely happy to welcome back all of our Greengate Lane learners and their families.

### Return to School

The school gates open at 8:30am and children will be collected by their teachers from the yard at 8:40am. We start teaching as soon as the children are in the classroom so it is really important that your child is on time so they are not losing learning time. If you have any questions, queries or worries, there will always be members of Leadership Staff available on the playground/gate at the beginning/end of the day. Children arriving after 8:50am will be classed as late.

## School Values

Our school values area:

- Tenacity
- Scholarship
- Curiosity
- Aspiration
- Kindness

We will focus and celebrate one value each week. Children showing high expectations within their learning, behaviour and attitude may be selected as one of our 'Stars of the Week' for celebration assembly on a Friday.

(Parents/Carers will be invited into school).

## Staffing Update

Joining the EYFS team as EYFS Teacher will be Mrs Rachel Fingerneissl, and Mrs Lucy Collier as part time Teaching Assistant. Mrs Paula Ashton will also join us from September as a one-to-one Teaching Assistant. Mrs Gemma Stacey will also be joining our MSA team later this month. I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to the school.

## Greengate Lane Uniform

I wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of our uniform policy. The school dress code remains the same as in previous years:

- ✓ White polo type shirt (No slogans, except for school logo)
- ✓ Bottle green school sweatshirt/cardigan/fleece or plain bottle green sweatshirt/cardigan (No slogans)
- ✓ Dark trousers or skirts/dress
- ✓ Green and white check summer dresses
- ✓ Appropriate black footwear, such as trainers, flat enclosed shoes
- ✓ Only stud or small sleeper earrings are to be worn. Watches are the only other jewellery items that should be worn.
- ✓ Book bag

Please ensure your child is in school uniform every day and help us keep our standards high. Full details of our uniform policy can be found on the school website. Please can we also remind you to ensure your child has a PE kit in school so that they are able to fully participate in the curriculum. Our agreed PE kit is:

- ✓ Plain white T-shirt or with school logo
- ✓ Black shorts
- ✓ Black pumps or trainers
- ✓ Tracksuit or jogging bottoms and a jumper can be brought into school for outdoor sessions
- ✓ Earrings should ideally be removed for PE

## Snack

EYFS snack is available throughout the day, a contribution of 50p each week should be given to EYFS staff. Key Stage 1 will continue to receive a fruit or vegetable snack each day.

Key Stage 2 children will also be offered a free piece of fruit or vegetable (where available).

Key Stage 2 children can bring a healthy snack (fruit, vegetables, cereal bar, raisins) from home.

On Fridays, we will have our 'Tuck Shop Treat Day' where children can purchase a treat from the trolley for 50p.

## Breakfast Club/After-school clubs

Breakfast Club will be open for all children from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, the cost remains the same, £1 per session, per child and free of charge for those families who receive Pupil Premium funding. **This must be paid weekly in**

**advance via parent pay to ensure your child secures their place.**

This week you will receive information regarding our lunch time and after school clubs that will start next week (except Fencing).

## Attendance

This year we are focussing on improving attendance across school. Our target for the year is 97%. Children's attendance will be celebrated weekly and half termly. You will receive an attendance newsletter this week.

## Communication

This week you will receive a Class Newsletter and Seesaw code from your child's class teacher.

Please take time to access your child's seesaw page as this is one of our main channels of communication and your child's learning will be shared on here.

Please also ensure any changes to contact details/outstanding pupil information forms are shared with the office.

A schedule of dates is attached to this letter for the full year to inform you of events in school. New dates will be added throughout the course of the year.

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## Autumn 1

### September

8<sup>th</sup> - School swimming (Y4)

20<sup>th</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y4)

### October

3<sup>rd</sup> - INSET day, school closed to all children

17<sup>th</sup> - Parents evening, 3pm - 7pm

18<sup>th</sup> - Parents evening, 3pm - 5pm

21<sup>st</sup> - Last day of school

## Autumn 2

### October

31<sup>st</sup> - INSET day, school closed to all children

### November

1<sup>st</sup> - Children return to school

1<sup>st</sup> - Halloween Disco (after school)

2<sup>nd</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y3)

3<sup>rd</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y2)

4<sup>th</sup> - School photos

10<sup>th</sup> - Crucible visit (Y1/Y2)

11<sup>th</sup> - Y4 class assembly

### December

7<sup>th</sup> - EYFS Nativity

8<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Movie Night

12<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Fayre

13<sup>th</sup> - M&M Productions (Whole school)

14<sup>th</sup> - KS1 Nativity

15<sup>th</sup> - Last day of school

## Spring 1

### January

3<sup>rd</sup> - Children return to school

10<sup>th</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y1)

26<sup>th</sup> - Last swimming session (Y4)

27<sup>th</sup> - Y3 class assembly

### February

6<sup>th</sup> - School swimming (Y3)

6<sup>th</sup> - Parents evening, 3pm - 7pm

7<sup>th</sup> - Parents evening, 3pm - 5pm

10<sup>th</sup> - Last day of school

## Spring 2

### February

3<sup>rd</sup> - Y2 class assembly

20<sup>th</sup> - INSET day, school closed to all children

21<sup>st</sup> - Children return to school

23<sup>rd</sup> - Y3 Thornbridge Residential (to be confirmed via a letter home)

### March

22<sup>nd</sup> - Y1 class assembly

30<sup>th</sup> - Easter movie night

## Summer 1

### April

17<sup>th</sup> - Children return to school

18<sup>th</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y5)

### May

1<sup>st</sup> - Bank Holiday, school closed

8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> - Y6 SATs

17<sup>th</sup> - Spring Disco

22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> - Kingswood  
Residential(Y6)

25<sup>th</sup> - Last day of school

## Summer 2

### June

5<sup>th</sup> - INSET day, school closed to all  
children

6<sup>th</sup> - Children return to school

7<sup>th</sup> - Weston Park Museum (Y6)

30<sup>th</sup> - Y5 Class assembly

### July

5<sup>th</sup> - Sports day

7<sup>th</sup> - Reports sent home

10<sup>th</sup> - Meet the Teacher event

11<sup>th</sup> - Meet the Teacher event

12<sup>th</sup> - Summer Fayre

13<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Production

17<sup>th</sup> - Last swimming session (Y3)

18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> - Transition days

19<sup>th</sup> - M&M Productions (Whole  
school)

21<sup>st</sup> - Y6 Leavers assembly

21<sup>st</sup> - Last day of school