



Anston Greenlands Primary School



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Dates for your Diary

February Friday 9 th	Last day – half term follows – return to school Monday 19 th February
March Tuesday 5 th Wednesday 6 th Thursday 7 th Friday 8 th Wednesday 20 th Friday 22 nd Thursday 28 th	Parents' evening *new date* Parents' evening *new date* Y5/6 visit to Lyceum Theatre World Book Day celebration – dress as a book character Y3/4 visit to Magna Y3/4 Science Fair (afternoon) Last day – Easter holiday follows – return to school Monday 15 th April
April Tuesday 16 th	FS2 visit to Butterfly House
May Thursday 2 nd Monday 6 th 13 th – 16 th Thursday 23 rd Friday 24 th	INSET day (elections) – school closed to children May Day – school closed to children Y6 SATs Class photos (and individual Y6 photos) Last day – half term follows – return to school Tuesday 4 th June (after INSET)
June Monday 3 rd WB 10 th	INSET day – school closed to children Y1 phonics screening check
July (to follow) Friday 12 th 15 th – 23 rd Tuesday 23 rd	(dates for Sports Day and Performances to follow) Y6 Leavers' Assembly (morning) – based on provisional transition dates Non-uniform – Uniform Swap Shop to take place from Tuesday onwards Last day – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows

Rewilding Update

As we start to move in the direction of spring, our rewilding work is beginning to take off. You may have noticed that Team Green (our Y5/6 environment leaders) have planted some new Rowan, Silver Birch and Wild Cherry trees on the field, laying the foundations for our newest woodland area. Robins and Chaffinches will also be getting in on the act tomorrow when they visit Greenlands Park to plant trees. Well done everyone! Keep your eyes peeled for our upcoming family rewilding challenge, and you can join in too! On the subject of rewilding...



Wildflower Seeds Appeal

Do you have a packet of wildflower seeds going spare? These are sometimes included in giveaways by supermarkets etc., so you may have a packet at the back of a drawer somewhere! If so, we'll happily give them a home! We'd love our children to scatter more wildflower seeds around school, so we'd appreciate the donation of any spare packs you have.

Children's Mental Health Week 2024

This week is Children's Mental Health Week. We do lots of work throughout the year to help children understand their mental health, and this week focuses that work into one big celebration. We'd encourage all our families to take this opportunity to chat to their children about their mental health. We know that it can be difficult to know where to start, so we've attached a really useful flyer with some top tips. You can find more great resources, including videos, online at <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/#resources> – take a look! If you'd like to chat to anyone in school about your child's mental health, please get in touch. Our door is always open.



Y6 Transition and Leavers' Assembly

We have now received **provisional** transition dates from the high schools, and are expecting that the Y6 children will be visiting their new schools on the week beginning 15th July. This means that our Y6 leavers assembly will take place straight after drop off on Friday 12th July. We wanted to let you know as soon as possible but please note that these are only provisional dates – of course, we'll let you know if these change.

Water Bottles

A reminder for children to please bring a water bottle for their drink during the day. We've had a couple of children bringing Prime bottles recently; some of these have water in, but other children have seen this and assumed it means it's ok to bring pop to school. As much as we'd all love something sugary sometimes, I think we'll stick to water for now! Thank you for your support with this.



Sporting Success

A huge well done to our Y5/6 girls' hockey team, who came 3rd in the entire county earlier this term! The girls played amazingly well; we have some future hockey stars in the making! The boys' team also had a great run, representing Greenlands at the Rotherham final. Well done everyone.

Anston Greenlands Memory Book

A reminder that that the end of this year will mark **50 years of Anston Greenlands!** We have some exciting things planned for the summer term, but for now, we wondered if any of our parents, carers or grandparents might have some special memories of Anston Greenlands to share? We'd love to put together a book to record some of the school's history. If you have a favourite memory of your time at Greenlands, please email it to office@greenlandsprimary.org with the heading "Greenlands Memories". Thank you!

INSET Dates for This Year

A reminder that this year's remaining INSET days are:

Thursday 2nd May 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024