

Weekly Newsletter: 9th February 2024



Dear parents and carers,

With a week-long break ahead of us, we already find ourselves at the end of the half term reflecting on the children's achievements over the past few weeks. They have so much that they can be proud of, and it is important that at school and home, we have conversations with our children about where they have really applied their school values in their learning as well as outside of the classroom this term.

This week marked Children's mental health week, and the theme has been 'My Voice Matters', with the overall aim of empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. The children have been supported to understand that when we feel empowered, there's a positive impact on our wellbeing.

Tuesday also marked Safer Internet Day. The aim of the day itself is to raise awareness of a safer and better internet for all, especially for children and young people, with this year's focus being on 'managing influence and navigating change online.' The themes of this are thread through our curriculum.

Our nursery children enjoyed their trip to Eltham Library on Monday, whilst Westminster and Elms class welcomed their adults into school this week for 'stay and reads.' One of our parent workshops next half term (Monday 4th March) will give all parents and carers the opportunity to come into school and see how we teach reading fluency.



It is great that as a school, we have had attendance above 95% since Christmas. You may have seen in the news that a new NHS initiative is that pharmacists can now make prescriptions for minor illnesses, therefore reducing the need to make appointments with a GP. You can read more about this on the [NHS website](#).

We were lucky to have 'Greenwich Time to Talk' come in to school this week and deliver a workshop on resilience. If you were unable to make it, you can find the presentation and more information on our [website](#).

If you have attended any workshops so far this year, we would welcome your feedback via [this form](#). Please use the same form to inform us of what workshops you would find useful in the summer term.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 19th February.

Ms Zoe Crosland and Mr Jack Green

YOUNG GREENWICH

The Young Greenwich Health school nursing service are offering some parent drop in sessions in March. This is open to all families of primary school-aged children across the Royal Borough of Greenwich. The Topic in March is Behaviour. Please find the dates and locations [here](#).

If you have recently attended a workshop in school, please take a couple of moments to complete [this parent/carers feedback form](#).



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THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



THANK YOU for keeping our school safe!

Dates for your diary

- 09/02: Last day of Spring 1 Term
- 12/02 - 16/02: **HALF TERM**
- 19/02: Children Return to School
- w/c 19/02: Parents' Evening slots will be available to book via *My Child At School*
- 20/02: Pancake Day themed dessert to accompany the usual school meal
- 22/02: Year 2 Old Royal Naval College trip
- 23/02: PTA Tuck Shop
- 29/02: 9am Anti-Bullying Steering Group workshop
- 29/02: Art Exhibition
- 01/03: Secondary School Offer Day
- 04/03: 9am World Book Week - Reading Fluency workshop
- 07/03: World Book Day
- 12/03: 3.15pm Chartwells' School Meal Food Tasting Session
- 12/03: 3.30pm - 7pm Parents' Evening (Nursery - Year 5)
- 13/03: [Year 3 Chelsea British Museum Trip](#)
- 13/03: 3.30pm - 5.30pm Nursery & Year 3 Parents' Evening
- 14/03: 9am Mental Health Awareness - How to encourage positive mental health within children workshop
- 14/03: 3.30pm - 5.30pm Parents' Evening (Reception - Year 5, except Year 3)
- 15/03: Red Nose Day
- 19/03: [Year 3 Tower British Museum Trip](#)
- 20/03: 2pm - No Outsiders workshop
- 28/03: Last day of Spring 2 Term
- 29/03 - 12/04: **EASTER HOLIDAY**
- 15/04: Children return to school
- 16/04: Primary School Offer Day

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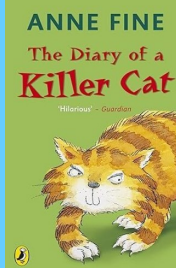
Attendance Matters

Good attendance is key to success both educationally and beyond. For this reason, we aim for 100% attendance.

This week's attendance: 93.3%
Best Year Group: Year 2 & Year 5 - 96%

Book Recommendation

In Lambeth class we have been reading *Diary of a Killer Cat* by Anne Fine. It's really funny because it's written in first person from the point of view of the cat. Tuffy's owner is horrified when he drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about.



We loved it so much that when we found it in our school library, we decided to take turns to read it at home.

ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



French phase of the week:
les crêpes - pancakes

Term Value:

Kindness

Lunch Menu: 2

w/c 19th February