

Greenvale Primary School

January 2021

"Succeeding together by loving what we do"



Welcome back!

I would like to begin by wishing you all a Happy New Year. It goes without saying that this is not the way that we had hoped the year would start and are very sorry that we are unable to have everybody in school at the current time.

I wanted to begin by saying how pleased we have been to see the level and standard of home learning that is being completed. We had the most amazing Work of the Week session last week and can't wait for this Friday's assembly. Unfortunately, we are only able to have 100 people in the Meet and therefore you will need to get in quick. If you have a brother or sister, please share a device to give others a chance of attending.

As you will be aware, rates of the virus are incredibly high in the local area and I would advise that people take extra care. In light of the new variant, we have made changes to our risk assessment which is available by clicking on the following link. <https://www.greenvale.croydon.sch.uk/parent-info/covid-19-measures/>

Just a couple of pleas for those attending the Critical worker provision. Please ensure that your child is on time and at school for 9am. Secondly, we ask all parents to wear a face covering when on the school premises. Whilst we appreciate that you are outside, people are using the same walkways and gates in and out of school and will no doubt be passing one another. Thank you very much for your cooperation with this.



Thank you Tina and Mr Malley

During these challenging times, I wanted to put in writing how grateful I am to the Greenvale team who continue to work hard to ensure that our children get a good quality of education, albeit online and in difficult circumstances.

I wanted to say a special thank you to Tina, our school cleaner. Tina has worked at the school for a number of years now and has been a key part of our team during these challenging times.

She has come to work every day throughout the lockdown period to ensure that the school is clean and safe for those in attendance. Not only that, but she can always be relied upon to put a smile on everybody's faces with her cheeky sense of humour. Thank you Tina for your hard work and support in keeping the Greenvale community safe.



Mr Malley has been in virtually every day (including some weekends!) in order to move furniture around and ensure that the school as accessible and safe for those in attendance.

He is often in school very early in the morning and if anything is broken or needs repairing, he will get straight to it and have things up and running in no time. We are very lucky to have Mr Malley as our caretaker and again want to thank him for going over and above to keep the school open and safe for teachers and pupils.



Our Values for this Term...



Cooperation



Responsibility

This term, our school values are Cooperation and Responsibility. During these times we would normally have themed assemblies and circle times to discuss the importance of these both in and out of school.

Cooperating as part of a team is extremely important. It has been particularly nice to see the children celebrating one another's achievements during Work of the Week and when children have been trying for their Sandpiper awards.

Responsibility is also very relevant at the current time. Whether this is your child taking on a job at home or perhaps completing a task without any support, it is all about developing independence. We look forward to sharing these values over the coming term with your children.

Enterprise

A huge thank you and well done to all of the classes with their Christmas craft making. We do hope that you enjoyed their creations and we were very impressed at the standard and quality of what had been made. All money raised will go towards purchasing some resources for each of the classes.

An extra special well done to Year 6 who went over and above by selling some of their produce at The ARC's Christmas fair.

The class totals were as follows:

Reception	£238.50
Year 1	£126.00
Year 2	£119.50
Year 3	£126.00
Year 4	£145.00
Year 5	£72.50
Year 6	£269.00

Welcome Mrs Eyles to the Afters team

As you will be aware, last term we said goodbye to Mrs Smith from the Afters team.

We are now in a position to announce that on our return to school, Mrs Eyles will be joining the Afters team. We are very pleased to have Mrs Eyles as a member of the staff team and know that she will have the full support of members of the Greenvale community.





At Greenvale, we are incredibly lucky to have the ARC Centre on our site. In normal times, The ARC Centre run a number of classes, breakfast and after-school clubs throughout the week. A number of Greenvale children attend these and speak incredibly positively about these.

As you may be aware, The ARC have had to close a significant number of their sessions meaning that things are likely to be very difficult for them over the coming months. We wanted to flag this up to Greenvale Parents who may be able to support in some way.

Make a donation

The ARC centre currently have a Crowdfunding page. To make a donation, please click on the following link:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/the-arc-centre>

Donate a fruit and Veg box

The ARC have partnered with Wood Fruits, a local business, who are making up fruit/veg boxes for the animals. Boxes start at £5. Contact: woodfruitsofvauxhall@gmail.com

Get active...

During the week of 25th January, we are planning a keep fit walking / running initiative. The aim is for children to complete 3km as many times as possible over the week. For example, for every 3km they complete, they receive sponsorship. For an idea of how far 3km is, it is around 10 laps of the lower field.

[Please click on this link for a copy of a sponsorship form.](#)



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