



Dear Families,

Red Nose Day

Today is Comic Relief Red Nose Day! This year it's never felt more important to have some fun and raise money to support people living incredibly tough lives. We need the power of funny to turn laughs into lasting change. Thank you to everyone who has donated, it seems the new system using [ParentPay](#) was a hit! There is still time to donate via your child's account.

So far we have raised **£211.00!**

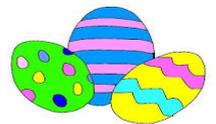


Lateral Flow Tests for Parents - These tests are ONLY for people who are NOT experiencing symptoms

As we mentioned in our communication last week, the government have said that parents of primary school children are entitled to two free lateral flow tests per week if they wish to take them. Croydon Council have said that they do not have a system in place as of yet for parents to do this. However, we have been informed that free lateral flow tests are being given out at Hayes Station, West Wickham, should you wish to collect some for your household. Alternatively, you can now order lateral flow tests online which can be delivered to your home. Please click on the following link: [Schools, nurseries and colleges testing: order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow home test kits - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Easter Holidays

A reminder that we break up from school on **31st March at 2pm** for the Easter holidays. Please note that there will be **NO** Afters facility on this day. We will return to school on Monday 19th April.



Time Keeping

As we move back to a period whereby hopefully there is more routine to our day to day lives, we ask for your cooperation in ensuring that children are in school on time, ready to start the school day.

8:50am - KS2 (Year 3-6) need to be in their classrooms, ready for registration.

9:00am - KS1 (Reception - Year 2) need to be in school.

Given the amount of schooling that children have missed, now more than ever, children need to be punctual and ready to start the day to ensure that we are able to maximise learning time.



COVID Restrictions

Just a reminder that due to current restrictions parents are unable to enter the school buildings. If your child has lost an item please speak to your child's class teacher rather than attempting to find the item yourself.

Tissues

It's that time of year again where we start to go through lots of tissues.

If you can donate any boxes of tissues the class teachers would be extremely grateful.



Stars of the Week

Robins:	Zifad & Tanya
Swallows:	Archie H & Aaron
Chaffinches:	Brynly & Adam
Woodpeckers:	Eoin & Jalon
Jays:	Daisie & Lilly Mae
Kestrels:	Stanley & Daniel
Falcons:	Lucy C & Velizar



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Clothing Bank

Thank you to everyone who has donated unwanted items to the new school clothing bank. Each time the bank is emptied the charity gives us **£54.00**. The bank has now been emptied three times already taking the total received to **£162.00!** Please can we ask that all items are put into the bank in bags and that no items are left on the floor if the bank is full.



Please DO NOT put books in the bank as these can be donated to the FOG Book Shop when it is open again, hopefully the weekend of 17th April.

Road Safety

Please can we remind all parents to drive and park safely around our school site.

Please be mindful of children and other pedestrians as well as other road users and cyclists.

Parking on the double yellow lines and zig zags is strictly prohibited as this compromises

Wicktor's view when assisting children across the main road. Vehicles should **NOT** be turning

around in front of the school gates. Please also note that **ONLY** parents who have been given special permission can enter the school car park. If you have a blue badge please display this when parked in the accessible parking bays and please **DO NOT** park near the kitchen as this space is reserved for emergency vehicles.



Teachers2Parents

A reminder that you can download the [Teachers2Parents](#) app on your mobile phone. Please note however that ALL text messages from school will then go to the app and no longer to your text message folder. We would ask that parents check the app regularly for notifications that maybe important, especially bumped head texts.

Long Hair

Can we please ask that all children who have long hair have it tied back when in school. Having hair tied back, particularly in a bun or plait is one of the most effective ways of keeping nits and lice at bay. It also means that hair is not in children's eyes when trying to work or play as this will disrupt their learning.

Amazon Wish Lists

Thank you to all of the parents who have purchased items from the class wish lists so far. Lots of new and exciting non fiction books have now been added to help with class IPC topics.

If you would like to purchase an item please click on your child's class. [Robins](#), [Year 1](#), [Year 2](#), [Year 3](#), [Year 4](#), [Year 5](#) and [Year 6](#).



Pupil Premium Grant (PPG)

We are aware that lots of people's situations may have changed over the past few months due to Covid-19. If you believe that you may be eligible for 'The Pupil Premium Grant' please complete the online form [here](#). Pupil Premium funding is used by the school to support students and help them reach their full potential academically, through extra curricular and pastoral provision.

Contacting The Office

If you need to contact the office please email parents@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk . To report an absence please email absence@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk and explain the reason why. Unless you have specified how long your child will be absent from school in your email, you **MUST** inform the office each morning if your child is absent. Please note, if your child suffers from sickness or diarrhea then they will be unable to come into school until they are free from any symptoms for 48 hours. **Please remember to email absence@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk if your child or anybody in your household is showing COVID-19 symptoms. You should book a test straight away (not lateral flow), self isolate whilst waiting for test results and please DO NOT send your child into school.**

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