GREENVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS

9TH OCTOBER 2026

Year 3 Harvest Aseembly
A huge well done to Year 3 for their wonderful Harvest Assembly yesterday! They did brilliantly! We were so sorry Miss Watt couldn't be there to see it, and we all wish her a speedy recovery!

Robins & Year 6 Height & Weight Checks
Robins and Year 6 children had their height and weight measurements taken on Tuesday as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP).

Football Match
Yesterday the football team played their first match of the season against Elmwood School, as part of the Primary Cup. The end result was an impressive 6-1 victory to Greenvale! Well done to all the boys that played.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Safeguarding Reminder

Parents and carers must not enter classrooms or school buildings before, during or after the school day.

This is important for safeguarding and privacy, as children may be changing for activities.

Essential items only should be left with School Office staff ; forgotten homework, reading books or water bottles do not need to be dropped off. Please ensure children arrive each morning prepared with everything they need.

Concerned About a Child?

Please contact any of our school Designated Safeguarding Officers (DSLs) using the email addresses below:

Mr Bowden
dbowden@greenvale.croydom.sch.uk

Mrs Whiting
twhiting@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk

Mr Crow
acrow@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk

🩺 Medical Appointments During the School Day

Routine GP and dentist appointments should not be booked during the school day wherever possible.

Only hospital, specialist or emergency appointments should require children to leave school during school hours.

We have had several parents arrive to collect children for appointments this week without the School Office or their child's class teacher having been informed in advance.
If your child needs to attend a medical appointment during the school day, please email absence@greenvale.croydon.sch.uk and your child's class teacher in advance, providing medical evidence of the appointment. This can be a screenshot, photo or copy of the appointment letter/text.

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

Grounds Day 🌿

SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER, 10AM–1PM

A huge thank you to everyone who has already signed up to help!
Any more volunteers are welcome to turn up on the day!

It's a great chance to come together as a school community, and the improvements will benefit all of our children.

📚 SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

🏫 **Secondary School – September 2027**
For children currently in Year 6
📅 **Application deadline: 31 October 2026**

🐦 **Reception – September 2027**
For children due to start Reception in September 2027
📅 **Application deadline: 15 January 2027**

POSITIVE MASCULINITY

Calling All Dads, Grandads, Uncles & Male Role Models – We Need You!

We are looking for more male volunteers to take part in a fantastic Greenvale project helping our children, particularly our boys, understand that talking about feelings and showing emotions is a sign of strength, not weakness.

Please don't be put off – it's much simpler than you might think! You'll be asked to answer just one question, shared with you in advance, in a short recorded conversation lasting around a minute. No scripts, no pressure – just an honest answer!

Here are a few examples:

- **What do you do to help yourself feel calm when you're stressed?**
- **Have you ever felt nervous or scared but carried on anyway?**
- **Is it easy or hard to say "I'm sorry" or "I need help"?**
- **What advice would you give your younger self about dealing with big feelings?**

You don't need to be a confident speaker or have all the answers. Just being yourself could make a real difference to a child.

We would absolutely love more dads, grandads, uncles and other male role models to get involved in this worthwhile project.

Could you spare just a few minutes to help inspire our children? Please contact the school office to volunteer!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Year	Event
Sun 11th Oct	**ALL PARENTS & CARERS**	**Greenvale Grounds Day 10am - 1pm** Parents and carers are invited to school to help tidy and garden the school grounds. ALL welcome! **It's not too late, please join us on Sunday!**
Mon 12th Oct	**ALL**	**Individual & Sibling School Photos** **Individual photographs and photographs of siblings who attend Greenvale will be taken throughout the school day.** **Please ensure all children come to school wearing their full school uniform. If your child has PE on this day, they should bring their PE kit in a bag, with all items clearly named, so they can change after their photograph has been taken.** **Younger Pre-School Siblings** **If you would like a photograph of your child with a younger sibling who does not yet attend school, please come to the school hall from 8:20am onwards.**
Wed 14th Oct	**3**	**Natural History Museum Trip** Please give consent & make payment on Arbor ASAP
Mon 19th Oct	**1 - 6** **Whole School**	**NO ENRICHMENT CLUBS RUNNING THIS WEEK** **Parent Consultations 4pm - 7pm**
Wed 21st Oct	**Whole School**	**Parent Consultations 4pm - 7pm**

All known dates have now been added to the school diary.

Please click here to view the school calendar on our website and keep up to date with upcoming events.

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FRIENDS OF GREENVALE

Monster Mayhem Disco

Tickets are still available to purchase on Arbor.

To buy tickets, go to the Arbor app or website and click on 'school shop' and click the Monster Mayhem Disco for either
KS1 (Years R, 1 &2)
KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6)

Christmas Craft Fair

If you would like a table to sell your crafts please email fogreenvale@gmail.com

FOG BOOK SHOP

2026 is the National Year of Reading – and Greenvale Community Bookshop is going ALL IN! 📚

The National Year of Reading 2026 is a nationwide campaign encouraging people of all ages to discover – or rediscover – the joy of reading.

This year's theme is Go All In, with a simple message: whatever you're into, read into it!

Whether that's a gripping thriller, children's story, fascinating non-fiction, comic or something completely different, it's about finding the kind of reading that's right for you.

That feels right at home at Greenvale Community Bookshop, where we love helping pre-loved books find their next readers. ❤️📖

Throughout 2026, we'll be joining in with the celebrations and finding different ways to encourage more people in our community to get reading.

📚 Let's get our community reading!

Please note that book donations can now only be dropped off at the Bookshop on Saturdays. We kindly ask that donations are not left in the school porch. Thank you for your support!

📚 FOG BOOKSHOP OPENING HOURS

🟢 WEDNESDAYS (TERM TIME): 3:15PM – 4:30PM

🟢 SATURDAYS: 10:00AM – 4:00PM

CELEBRATE

WINNER, WINNER, NAME ON THE SPINNER

The prize: a voucher for the FOG Bookshop which entitles you to a free book, free scented bookmark and a hot chocolate/squash. These can be redeemed by visiting the bookshop on a Wednesday after school or Saturdays between 10am-4pm.

This week's lucky winners are:

Yusuf (Year 1) ***Dulcie (Year 1)*** ***Patrick (Year 2)*** ***Ibraheem (Year 2)*** ***Sophia (Year 3)***

Please make sure your child has read a minimum of 5 times and has 5 entries in their reading journals to be entered in the prize draw.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins:	
Swallows:	Cassia & Alana
Chaffinches:	Amneek & Noah
Woodpeckers:	James & Theo
Jays:	Lee & Mason
Kestrels:	Charlie & Annabel
Falcons:	Manami & Harry M

HOUSE POINT WINNERS

BEECH HOUSE

Makaton SIGN OF THE WEEK

GRANDFATHER

Click on the image to watch a short youtube demonstration of the sign.

Have fun practising with your child!

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Order DEADLINE
48 HOURS IN ADVANCE - ORDER MONDAY'S LUNCH BY SATURDAY AT 12PM!

NEXT WEEK
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Olive dining

Please update Arbor, even if your child brings a packed lunch everyday!

Please send feedback to: marketing@olivedining.co.uk