

Tuesday News



Covid Update.

Thank you to all the parents who have been very positive about all the safety measures that we have put into place.

Just a reminder to all parents that entry and exit to and from school has to be via the one-way system. We can also only welcome one adult per child. We have to ensure that we limit the numbers of parents and visitors on site and that there is potentially as little cross over as possible.

Please remember that if your child has symptoms of a high temperature, a cough that is new or a lack of smell and taste you should keep them off school and get a test as soon as possible.

Thank you for all your cooperation and continued support! Together we can keep us all safe.

Book Club

Don't forget to hand in your book club orders by Friday 20th.

Anti-bullying week. Unicef articles 2, 12, 19

This week is Anti Bullying week and the children will be looking at different sorts of bullying and focusing especially on online abuse. Miss Lycett and Miss O Neill have prepared some helpful notes for parents as often our children can be much more tech savvy than us and there are some useful links at the bottom of the school website to support parents.

Please remember that bullying is not the same as an incident but the ongoing abuse of one individual or group by another individual or group.

Last week.

- We had a special assembly for Remembrance on the Wednesday 11th at 11am.
- We sold poppies for the British Legion and made £470.80. For the third year running we were the highest fundraising school in the area! Well done Greenholm.
- The year 6 pupils did a FANTASTIC performance of their remembrance drama. This is on the school website until tomorrow afternoon.
- Singing lessons started up again for the year 3 children on Thursday afternoon.
- We had a lovely letter from Elim church thanking everyone for the generous food bank donations.
- Year 6 held a Spelling Bee competition. Well done to everyone who took part and to Karina who won.... Those spelling were tough!

Twitter

Follow us on @greenholmprmy to find out what is going on!

Attendance.

Our attendance overall for the school was 97.22%. 2LW was the best attending class in KS1 with 98.3% and in KS2 3T, 6C and 6ON all had 100%. Well done everyone!

Safeguarding.

Phones – please ensure that you do not use your mobile phone anywhere on school grounds. This is for your and your child's safety. Thank you

Parent Governor Election

We have four parents who have nominated themselves for the role of Parent Governor. Their statements are overleaf. Please indicate your support by **marking two candidates** with an X in the space provided. These must be returned to the School Office by Tuesday 24th November. We will then count the votes and issue the results.

Words for the week.

The KS1 word of the week is **imagined** and the KS2 word of the week is **solidarity**. Please ask your child about these and encourage them to use them.

Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of benefits and entitled to Free School Meals we have vouchers for you from Birmingham City Council for the October half term period. You will receive these via your child today with details about how to use them.

Diary dates.

Wednesday 18th November – our Open Day video goes live.

Thursday 10th December – Christmas dinner day.

Friday 11th December – Stringcredibles will be visiting the year groups performing traditional Christmas music.

WINTER JUMPER DAY – Friday 11th December -Wear your winter jumper instead of uniform and bring in a donation for Helping hands Birmingham, a charity that helps homeless people – they need men's clothes, scarfs, hats, deodorant, toothpaste and brushes, shower gels and shampoo.

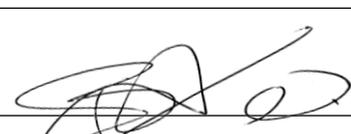
Monday 14th December - KS1 Christmas production will go live.

Tuesday 15th December – KS2 Christmas production will go live.

Thursday 17th December – Year group parties.

Friday 18th December – Term finishes at 3.30pm.

Monday 4th January – School opens for the Spring Term.



Greenholm Welcomes Everyone and Everyone is Welcome at Greenholm

Greenholm Primary School - Parent Governor Statements

Natasha Pugh;

As a Mother of a daughter who is in Reception, I felt welcomed by the school from the beginning. The feeling of community and inclusion encouraged me to be a part of the school. Like any parent, I only want the best for my child and share this common interest with families. I wish to represent the views of families and the best interests of the children to ensure a nurturing and rewarding environment.

Having been through a primary school with my oldest daughter, the experience I have had will allow me to utilise knowledge and experience gained to the best of my ability and consider the views of pupils and families.

For the last 7 years I have worked in a local A&E as a Senior Nurse. This allows me to confidently liaise with professional bodies, allowing me to use interpersonal and diplomatic skills frequently and I confidently take on a great deal of responsibility in my role. If successful, then I intend to take on the role and responsibilities to the best of my ability. I want all views to be valued from all families and feel I am the person to be able to support the changes and choices. I hope to be the voice for those who need it.

Phillip Thompson;

I am a father to two girls – the eldest is currently in year 4, with my youngest hoping to join Greenholm next year.

I have worked in architecture for 20 years. In my career I am responsible for being part of the team that oversees major projects and budgets valued at millions of pounds. Whilst I lead in terms of quality, I have experience at holding others to account in terms of planning, budgeting and project execution - qualities that I believe would be beneficial within the role of Parent Governor.

I have come to believe strongly in the need for nurture and development of individuals in the workplace, a philosophy that applies to all our children. I know that children learn in different ways and at varying speeds, and I myself am testimony to the fact that the most unlikely individuals can achieve great things given the right motivation and environment. I am also a mental health first aider in my company as I really believe in helping people and promoting a positive culture wherever I can. I would hope to add value in this area for all at Greenholm.

I genuinely feel that Greenholm is a good school and has done a superb job in making the necessary changes to meet the increasing challenging environment this year. I would love to be a part of that continued adaptability and to be able to add my experience, ensuring our children have a superb education.

Jordan Whyte;

I am a father of three boys and my eldest child is a pupil at Greenholm Primary School. My younger two will hopefully also be future pupils and I expect to be connected to Greenholm Primary School for many years to come.

As such, am interested in seeing:

1. The continued development of Greenholm Primary School as a great learning environment for our children and
2. The continuation of great results and reviews.

As a Parent Governor of Greenholm Primary School I would represent the best interests of the children and the parents at meetings and when decisions are being made. I would be committed to the role for a period of 4 years.

I believe I have the necessary skills to be a parent Governor. In my professional life I am a Solicitor specialising in commercial matters. Therefore, I am used to engaging in meetings, communicating views/opinions, and representing a party's best interests. Thank you for taking the time to read this short personal statement and please consider me for your vote.

Chris Eley;

I currently work for a major high street bank and this year have led the implementation of our operational and strategic response to Coronavirus across our network of over 800 branches which serve 16 million customers when they need us most. I lead a team based across the country to deliver change that builds financial capability and confidence for customers just like you and I. At work, I shape, influence and implement the strategy of one of the largest UK banks to champion the potential of customers, colleagues and communities so they can thrive.

Becoming a parent governor allows me the opportunity to use my professional experience (which includes managing significant budgets and cost reduction strategies), connections in other schools and passion for reaching our own potential to influence the strategy at Greenholm for the benefit of your children and mine, now and in years to come. I have fresh and innovative ideas, lots of insight and healthy challenge to offer the governors and leadership teams. I bring an inclusive and diverse perspective with experience in challenging the norm and identifying new ways of working.