Nether Green Junior School Newsletter 12 July 2024 ISSUE 38

Message from the Headteacher

I am delighted to share that our Year 6 Enterprise Fair was an outstanding success! Our young entrepreneurs showcased incredible creativity, dedication, and hospitality as they sold their products. The enthusiasm and professionalism displayed by the children was inspiring. They worked tirelessly on their business ideas, and the support from the entire school community was uplifting. Thank you to everyone who came out to support the event. I feel profoundly grateful for all the support from parents. Your involvement and dedication help make our school a wonderful place for our children.

Our Year 6 children should also be extremely proud of their efforts and achievements based on their SATS results. Their hard work and determination have truly paid off, and their accomplishments reflect their dedication and perseverance. However, we also understand that it's not all about SATS. As they come to the end of their time at Nether Green Junior School, they should be proud of all they have achieved during their time here, both academically and personally.

Additionally, I would like to take a moment to recognise and express our deep gratitude for one of our most dedicated PTA members, Hannah. For the past seven years, since her eldest started at NGJS, Hannah has been an invaluable part of our PTA. She has served in nearly every capacity imaginable, including committee member, secretary, chair, treasurer, and most recently, vice-chair. Throughout the challenges of the Covid pandemic, Hannah, with the support of her small but mighty team, kept the PTA active and vibrant. She has been the driving force behind our beloved discos, cinema evenings, winter festivals, and Christmas card events, among many others. Hannah's dedication and passion have left a lasting impact on our school community, and we will certainly miss her on the team. We are incredibly grateful for everything she has done and wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

Thank you all for your continuous support and involvement in our school activities.

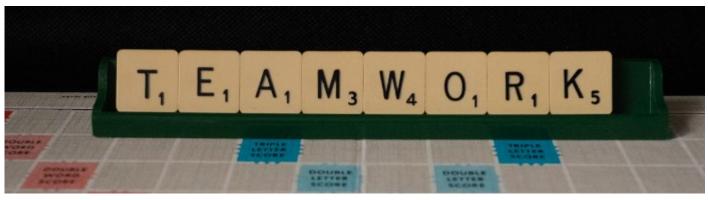
Key Dates	
15th July	Infants visiting to watch Y6 performance
16th July	Y6 Leaver's Concert 2pm & 6pm
18th July	Y6 Leaver's Party, 5pm - 7pm
19th July	Children break up at 3.35pm for the Summer Holidays
22nd & 23rd July	INSET Days
3rd Sept	Children return to school

Assemblies

On Monday, we held our weekly Celebration Assembly where children's achievements were praised and recognised.

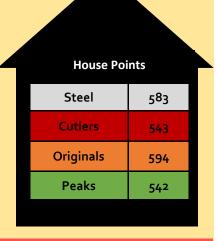
Mr Hancock and Mrs Handley led our mid week key phase assemblies. The focus was The Olympics.

Today's assembly was all about resilience and perseverance. Mrs Neal spoke to the children about the importance of teamwork. The assembly was linked to the England Football team's current success in the Euros.



This Week's Awards





Special Mentions Y3BB - Whole class Y3JC - Megan and Freya Y3PW - Tommy Y4NH - Emilia Y4JH - Javi Y5KL- Whole class Y5JE - Leo and Alfie Y6MK - Ed IR - Senna

Attendance

Please ensure that your child is on time for school. Children can be brought into the yard from 8:40 am. Learning in school starts at 8:50 am.

Our attendance this week was 95.3%



Lexia Winners

Congratulations to the following children for their achievements on Lexia:

Leo Y₃JC Teddy Y₃BB Florence Y₃PW Joshua Y₄JH Ransh Y₄NH Muhammad Y6GR

Value of the Half Term

INDEPENDENCE Our pupils will be encouraged to:

- Have high aspirations and expectations of themselves and for others
- Have ownership of their school
- * Think freely
- * Be a critical thinker
- Be passionate and curious about their learning
- Develop their organisational skills
- Use initiative
- * Take responsibility
- * Be an active learner

Attendance Winners

Congratulations to:

Y4NH and Y6GR

The above classes achieved over 97% attendance or above, which is our school target.

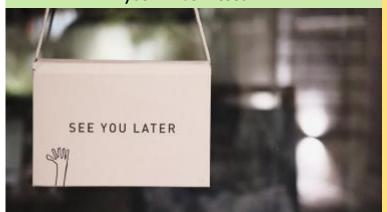
Community

School Council

Over the last few weeks the School Council have been supporting the NGJS General Election. They have helped by thinking of the lessons that the school population could vote for and campaigning for these lessons by speaking in assemblies, producing promotional materials and lesson 'manifestos'. The School Council then helped by counting up all the votes and recording the results. Thank you, School Council, for getting so involved in the NGJS General election!

In one of our most recent meetings we discussed the school year and summarised the impact School Council has had on the School Community. The council members wrote statements that they wish to pass onto the new school council pupils, who will be elected in the new academic year. The statements included words of advice and words of wisdom, as well as ideas to help the new School Council get started in September.

You have been a great School Council and you will be missed!



Music of the half term - Country

Listening to music is fundamental to musical understanding. By learning to listen critically, our children will not only expand their musical horizons but also gain a deeper understanding of how music is constructed and the impact it can have on the listener. Listening to a broad range of music also helps develop other areas of musical activity, including composing and performing.



Therefore, each half term we focus on a 'music of the half term' which is explored through assemblies and further listening opportunities.

This half term, we will be focussing on Country music, exploring a wide range of performers from Dolly Parton to Beyoncé! We will look at the way country music often tells a story and will be linking this to thoughts about transition, as the children begin to think about moving up and moving on to new adventures.

Language of the Half Term

Each term we select a different language for the pupils to learn greetings and basic phrases in. We choose languages which represent our school community. At Nether Green, we feel it is important to give bilingual children the chance to demonstrate their language skills as well as have opportunity to share details of their family's country and culture. Language of the Half-term also allows monolingual English speakers to encounter and learn to speak a variety of languages.

All teachers embrace the selected language of the half-term and actively encourage the children to say good morning, good afternoon and respond to simple yes/no questions in the given language.

The chosen language for this half-term is Turkish.

There are about 90 - 100 million people in the world who can speak Turkish. It is the official language in Turkey and parts of Cyprus. It is also widely spoken in European countries such as Germany, the Netherlands and France, where there are large Turkish communities.

The letters Q, W and X don't exist in the Turkish language.



Community

SEND & Inclusion



We were absolutely delighted to have been awarded 'Highly Commended' for the PE and School Sport Inclusion Award at the recent Sheffield Schools Get Active Awards 2024. This year we have been able to offer an extensive range of sporting opportunities for pupils on the SEND register including bowling, boccia, ice curling, ice skating, dragonball, tennis, swimming and multi-sports events.

Ms Musgrove would like to thank Mr Hancock for helping to organise the events and all the dedicated staff and parents who have attended activities throughout the year to support our pupils.



We aim to continue offering a wide range of sports events and are committed to making sport and exercise inclusive for all pupils at Nether Green.

We also have a beautiful glass plaque to add to our trophy cabinet!

Online Safety Top Tip

We are aware that some children in our school have access to social media and that currently there are memes on social media platforms that are supporting homophobia and encouraging children to play seemingly innocent games that actually use homophobic language.

The grassroots FA has released a statement saying that this behaviour is not tolerated.

We endorse this.



Please talk to your children about the things they see on social media and the games they play with others to ensure that they are morally and socially acceptable.

Safeguarding Top Tip

With the summer holidays approaching, the Royal Lifesaving Society is backing a new campaign, On The Beach Holidays, to help more families enjoy water safely this summer. On The Beach Holidays is highlighting the benefits of children wearing brightly coloured swimwear.

Research by The Holiday Campaign revealed that 2 in 3 children wear blue, white or grey swimwear, making them harder to spot underwater (see image).

By changing to bright colours, you can help ensure your child is easier to spot when submerged, making it even easier to keep children under constant supervision when playing and swimming in water.



PTA

The PTA will be running a bubble tea and ice cream stall at the end of the day on Thursday 18th July, as an end of term treat in place of the usual half termly bake sale!

Bubble tea will cost £1.50 and ice creams will be £1 or 50p for an ice lolly. Please send your child with some cash or bring some along to pick up.

Let's hope for some sunshine (or at least, no rain).

See you all there!



Office Messages

Pupil Medication

All pupil medication will be sent home on the last day of term (Friday 19th July).

Staff will need to hand all medications to an adult.

Due to safeguarding reasons, medication can not be given to children to take home. The transference of all medication should be from adult to adult.

We kindly ask that, over the summer holidays, parents and carers check the expiry dates on all medication and replace them, if necessary.

Medication should be returned to school on Tuesday 3rd September to ensure your child has what they need in school.

We kindly ask that parents and carers hand any medication directly to your child's class teacher/teaching assistant.

Alternatively, it can be taken to the school office where a member of staff will store it safely and securely.

Pupils should not bring medication to school in their bags, with the exception of inhalers, due to health and safety reasons.



If your child is taking a new medication, or there have been any changes to your child's dosage/timings etc, you will need to fill in a new 'Request for school staff to administer medicines' form, which can be obtained from the school office.

ParentPay - School Meals' Balance

As we approach the end of the academic year, we kindly ask that you check your ParentPay meal account balance to ensure there is enough money to cover your child's meals until the end of term. The office need to close the year down with no remaining debts.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Spotlight on the Curriculum - Music

It's been an exciting term in our musical learning and we are excited to share some key moments with you.

Immersive Creative Project

The children absolutely wowed us with their responses to our immersive space! Our Y₃ and Y₅ children produced fantastic group compositions linked to the migration theme, using a range of tuned and unturned instruments. Many children also went on to write individual compositions, some of which were performed to families at the summer music concert. Finally, the children were given the freedom to create a piece of artwork in a medium of their choice; the results were stunning!

To round off this project the children enjoyed a performance and workshops run by professional musicians from the 'Migration Matters' festival.



The children have been working hard over the past half term in rehearsals for their upcoming musical production of Peter Pan. They have enjoyed taking on the role of pirates, lost boys, warriors and mermaids to put together an action packed performance, full of catchy songs! We look forward to sharing their performance with families next week.



Y4 had a great time on our trip to Endcliffe park!

We searched for invertebrates in different habitats. We found lots of interesting creatures in many different microhabitats including: the long grass, on bark and under rocks.







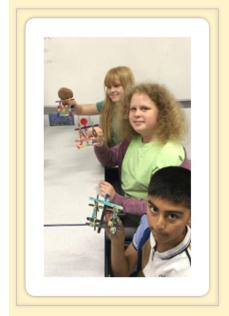






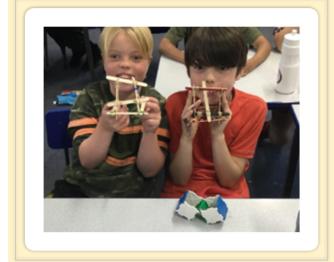
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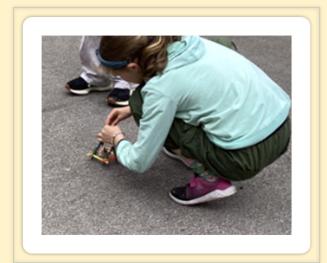
On Wednesday, the Y₅s had a D.T. (design and technology) day. We were exploring different mechanisms and researched catapults and their uses. We then designed, created and evaluated our catapults. It was very difficult to attach the different elements so it needed lots of resilience and perseverance. The children were fantastic and really helped each other out, showing brilliant teamwork.

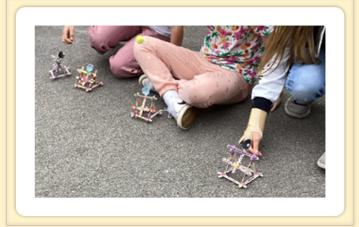


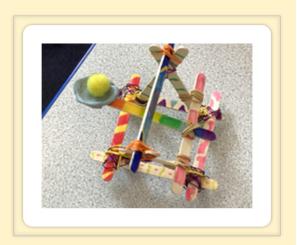












In art lessons, Y6, have been learning about the Pop Art movement and have studied the work of Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein and Yayoi Kusama before trying their hand at their own pop art.





Our Year 6 Enterprise Fair was an amazing success! The children have all worked really hard in producing and selling their goods. The money they raised will help pay for the party food and entertainment at their leavers' party, and some of it will go to a charity, which has yet to be decided. Well done Y6.













Lunch Menu



NETHER GREEN JUNIOR SPRING SUMMER 24 **WEEK TWO**







	PRIMARY MENU WEEK 2	'GREEN EARTH MONDAY'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ř	Main Course PURPLE	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges	Hot Dog Baguette with Baked Potato Wedges and Coleslaw	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Bolognese & Penne Pasta	Battered Pollock with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Vegetarian Main Course GRIBB	Vegetable Enchiladas with Sunny Vegetable Rice	Vegetarian Chilli Wedge Bake	Veggie Sausage with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese & Onion Puff Pastry Roll with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Street Food RID		Chicken & Vegetable Burrito	•	Quorn Burger in a Bun with Baked Potato Wedges	
	Judget Potato and Pilling VILLOW	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo
	Vogetables	Garden Peas, Carrots & Mixed Fresh Salad	Sweetcorn, Baked Beans, Coleslaw Salad & Mixed Fresh Salad	Cauliflower, Carrots, Peas & Mixed Fresh Salad	Broccoli, Carrots, Cauliflower & Mixed Fresh Salad	Garden Peas, Baked Beans & Mixed Fresh Salad
	Pesset	Ginger & Mandarin Traybake	Strawberry Jelly	Freshly Baked Chocolate Cookie	Flapjack Finger & Fresh Watermelon Slice	Homemade Shortbread Biscuits

Available Daily: Salad Selection, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts

Portion(s) of fruit or veg















Our desserts meet Public Health England's target for 'free sugar' intake for your child.







SUMMER READING CHALLENGE **EVENT**

Wednesday 17 July 4.00 - 5.15 pm

Meet local author Steve Draper

8-12 years



Exciting adventure! Emma & Guardians overcome

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

REFRESHMENTS

Tel: (0114) 273 4276

E-mail: activities@broomhill-library.org.uk Website: broomhill-library.org.uk Facebook:.com/bclsheffield

Last Day of Term Reminder

Please could you send your children to school on the last day of term with a sturdy carrier bag, so that they can bring home their exercise books and other school work.

Thank you.





Y3-6 Extra Curricular Clubs

Y3-6 EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS AUTUMN TERM 2024/25 - Nether Green Junior School

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	LUNCH	Girls Football Y5	ORCHESTRA (instrumentalists only)	Tennis Club AJW Coaching Y3 – 4		Badminton Club AJW Coaching Y5 – 6
SEP/OCT	3	CHOIR	Dance Club Y3 – 6	Samba Band Club Y3 - 6		Guitar Band
M – SEI		Gymnastics Club	NGJ5 Cross Country Club Y3 – Y6			
IRST HALF TERM -	SCHOOL	Sheffield Gymnastics Club Y4 – 6	Forest School Y5 – 6 Fit Kids Sheffield	Karate Club Elite Karate Y3 – 6	Basketball Sheffield Hatters	
FIRST H	AFTER S	Boys Football	Football Club Y3 – 6 SoccerEds		Y5 – 6	
		Y6	French Club Y3 – 6 Le Club Français	Forest School Fit Kids Sheffield Y3 – 4		
ò	LUNCH	Boys Football Y5 – 6 (alternate weeks)	ORCHESTRA (instrumentalists only)	Tennis Club AJW Coaching Y3 – 4		Badminton Club AJW Coaching Y5 – 6
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RM-		Gymnastics Club Sheffield Gymnastics Club	NGJS Cross Country Club Y3 – Y6			
ALFTE	SCHOOL	Y4 - 6	Forest School Y5 – 6 Fit Kids Sheffield	Karate Club Elite Karate	Basketball	
SECOND HALF TERM - OCT/NOV	Y5-6 Soccer French Clu	4	Football Club Y3 – 5 SoccerEds	Y3 – 6	Sheffield Hatters Y3 – 4	
SEC		French Club Y3 – 6 Le Club Français	Forest School Fit Kids Sheffield Y3 – 4			

The clubs highlighted in red are run by teaching staff free of charge.

These clubs are promoted during assembly and the children will either sign-up with their class teacher or take a letter home for parent/carer consent.

· All other clubs are run by external providers for which there is a charge.

For more information about your child joining one of the extra-curricular clubs run by an external provider, please find contact details overleaf.

Badminton Club	Booking for Badminton will go LIVE on ParentPay in September 2024		
(AJW Coaching)			
Basketball	Booking for Basketball (Y5/6) will be go LIVE on ParentPay in September 2024		
(Sheffied Hatters)	Booking for Basketball (Y3/4) will be go LIVE on ParentPay in October 2024		
Football	Please visit https://www.theevoway.co.uk/soccereds for further details		
(SoccerEds)			
Forest School	Booking for Forest Skills will go LIVE on WEDNESDAY 3RD JULY 2024 at 7pm		
(FitKids)	fitkidssheffield@gmail.com		
French Club	Please contact Le Club Français for further details: vessex.lcf@gmail.com		
(Le Club Français)			
Karate Club	Please contact Elite Karate for further details: steve@elite-karate.co.uk		
(Elite Karate)			
Samba Band Club	Booking for Samba Band Club will go LIVE on ParentPay in September 2024		
(Music Hub – Dan Johnston)			
Tennis	Booking for Tennis will go LIVE on ParentPay in September 2024		
(AJW Coaching)			