Message from the Headteacher

As we wrap up this school year, I want to take a moment to recognise the incredible progress we have made as a school and I thank the children, parents and staff for making this happen. It has been particularly nice to have a year without the disruptions of building work, allowing us to focus fully on enhancing the environment for our children. A highlight of these improvements is our beautiful new library, which has already become a favourite spot for our children, fostering a love for reading and learning.

This week, we also celebrated our Year 6 children as they prepare to move on to secondary school. Tuesday's performance was a true testament to their hard work and talent. The entire audience, including myself, parents, and staff were absolutely blown away by their acting and singing. The individual performances were nothing short of stunning, showcasing the incredible potential of our young stars.

In addition to their spectacular performance, the Year 6 leavers' party was a great success. It was a lovely way to end the year, filled with memories and a sense of accomplishment.

We also want to extend our thanks and best wishes to our play leader, Mrs Pryor, who is leaving us this year. Mrs Pryor has been instrumental in maintaining and enhancing the quality of our lunchtime activities, ensuring that the children have a fun and engaging experience every day.

We enjoyed a fantastic morning of year group races, which was lots of fun for everyone involved. This was followed by our final celebration assembly in the afternoon, where we recognised the achievements of all our children. We were thrilled to award the house cup to the Originals, who emerged as the winning house team this year.

Thanks again for all your continued support. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer break.

Key Dates						
19th July	Children break up at 3.35pm for the Summer Holidays					
22nd & 23rd July	INSET Days					
2nd September	INSET Day					
3rd September	Children return to school					
13th September	Move More Inclusive Sports Day					
16th September	SEND parents/carers coffee morning 9— 10am					
3rd October	Y ₃ Creswell Crags visit					
4th October	Y5 Jorvik visit					
Wb 14th October	Y ₃ SEND Reviews					
14th-18th October	Y6 Bikeability					
Wb 21st October	Y6 SEND Reviews					
21st-25th October	Y6 Bikeability					

Assemblies

On Monday, we held our final Celebration Assembly of the year.

Our Headteacher Award winners were presented in today's assembly and the end of year house winners were also announced. Well done to 'Originals' who are this year's winners. The children were extremely excited to see our wonderful new trophy!

We also had our Y6 Achievement Presentation, which included awards being given for: Performing Arts, Maths, English, Sport and Perseverance.

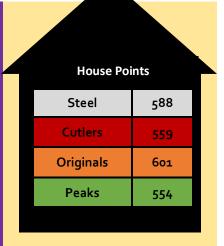
Our Y6 Pupils of the Year were also announced and celebrated. Two children from each class were chosen to receive this prestigious award.

Well done everyone!



This Week's Awards





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

Special Mentions Y3BB & Y3JC - Whole Class Y3PW - Lexie, Nazlee, Mckenzie, Loic, Roha & Freya B Y4TH - Lola Y4NH - Foy Y4JH - Freddie & Astrid Y5LN - Whole Class Y5KL - Maya C Y5JE - Joe J & Bryce Y6MK - Jemima H

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%





Attendance Winners

Congratulations to:

Y4JH and Y6GR

Every week, we will highlight the class in each key phase with the highest attendance.

Community

Eco Ambassadors

Reducing food waste

In school, the children have started choosing their own lunches in the mornings, rather than in the lunch hall. This will significantly reduce food waste in our school kitchen. The Eco team talked about this and considered ways you could also reduce food waste and reduce packaging at home, such as:

- Using a compost bin to recycle food into plant food
- Making extra sauce to use for a new meal e.g. use Bolognese sauce to make lasagne
- Buying fruit and vegetables which are not in plastic packaging
- Consider buying meat from a butcher shop to reduce plastic waste
- Planning all of your meals out and only buying what you need
- Making smaller food portions
- Buying locally sourced food to reduce 'food miles'.
- Growing your own fruit and vegetables
- Freezing left over food
- Donating tinned food to food banks if you won't use it

Bug Hotel Competition

The Eco Team recently ran a competition to design a bug hotel. We had some fantastic entries – see the photos of some entries below from Noah, Elsa, Loic and Hasan. Congratulations go to our winner: Oscar in 4JH for his fantastic and very detailed design. Oscar will help the Eco team to build the bug hotel. We made a start this week but this will need adding to in the new academic year.







Music of the half term

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 have focussed on Country music and have explored a wide range of performers from Dolly Parton to Beyoncé! We looked at the way country music often tells a story and linked this to thoughts about transition, as the children think about moving up and moving on to new adventures.

Language of the Half Term - Turkish

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

SEND Support over Summer

If you require any advice or support over summer, the **Sheffield Local Offer** website has lots of useful resources. It can be accessed here: https://

www.sheffielddirectory.org.uk/localoffer/

SENDIAS also offers advice and support to parents of children with SEND. The SENDIAS website can be accessed here: https://sheffieldsendias.org.uk/

Finally, **Sheffield Parent Carer Forum** offers a wealth of knowledge and advice.
The website can be accessed here: https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/

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

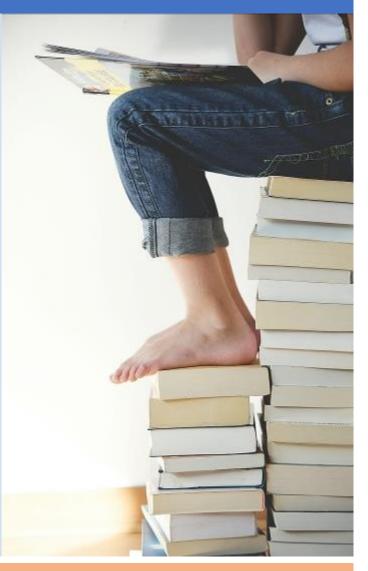
The PTA want to say a huge thank you to the whole school community for their support of all our events this year. It has been a massive team effort and none of it would be possible without the support of staff in school, parent volunteers and all the children and their families who join in.

It was fabulous to be able to use some of the funds we have raised over the last few years to contribute towards the development of the library area which the children are already enjoying and benefitting from.

We are very pleased to share that the total we have raised this academic year is just over £10,000 which is a fantastic amount and means we can help the school do more for our children.

We are already looking forward to more of the same next year but in the meantime we would like to wish you all a very happy summer break.

Many thanks, Harriet & the PTA team



Office Messages

Parentpay reminder - Please log in to your ParentPay account to complete any permission requests for the upcoming academic year. We require photographic consent and local visits permission.

Return to School - Please note that pupils return to school on Tuesday 3rd September. (Monday 2nd September is an INSET Day for staff - school is closed to pupils on this date.)

Extra-Curricular Clubs - All extra curricular clubs start in the second week back (w/b 9th September). Further information will be sent during the first week of term.

Thank you - Finally, the NGJS office staff would like to say a huge thank you for all the wonderful end of term messages and gifts we have very kindly been given. We have been truly touched by the kindness and generosity of our families. We look forward to seeing you all again in September.



Spotlight on the Curriculum - Art

The children have been working on lots of creative art projects this half term. Here are some photos from a few of those projects.

This term, all year groups visited our immersive space on the theme of migration. They then produced their own creative artwork in response to the space.

In Y4, the children have studied expressionism. They have looked at artwork from famous expressionist artists, explored different

expressionist techniques and produced their own expressionist style landscapes of Edale.







In Y6, the children have studied pop art looking at art by Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein and Yayoi Kusama. Having carefully studied pop art techniques the children were able to choose their preferred medium for their final piece at Nether Green Junior School.



The children have also used their artistic skills to help to create the props for the Y6 production of Peter Pan the musical.





Learning in Action

Year 3

Last week, in DT, we talked about gears, pulleys and wheels and how a water wheel works. We designed and then made a pulley system and then made a water wheel. We had lots of fun testing them to see if they worked.







The Y5s have enjoyed their last week in year 5 this week. Here are the children enjoying some party games!













Integrated Resource











Lunch Menu for 3rd September



NETHER GREEN JUNIOR
SPRING SUMMER 24
WEEK THREE







	PRIMARY MENU WEEK 3	'GREEN EARTH MONDAY'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Mein Course PURPLE		Farm Assured Pork Sausage Roll with Baked Potato Wedges	Savoury Beef Mince with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Sticky BBQ Chicken & Vegetables with Noodles	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
ŀ	Togotarian Maka Cource PASSE	INSET	Cheese & Onion Roll with Baked Potato Wedges	Savoury Vegetable Mince with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Sticky BBQ Quorn & Vegetables with Noodles	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Whirl with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Ī	Street Food SSD	Day	Cheesy Bean Pitta Pocket		Cheese & Tomato Melt	
	Judget Poteto and Pilling YELLOW		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
	Vegetables	1	Country Mixed Vegetables, Baked Beans & Mixed Fresh Salad	Carrots, Garden Peas & Mixed Fresh Salad	Broccoli, Cauliflower, Carrots & Mixed Fresh Salad	Garden Peas, Baked Beans & Mixed Fresh Salad
	Perset		Tootie Fruity Jelly and Mandarins	Freshly Baked Vanilla Cookie	Zesty Lemon & Blueberry Yoghurt Cake	Homemade Flapjack

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.

Recommended fruit and segetable portion sizes are calculated sing School Food Standards. On average our desserts do not exceed a third of a chief's recommended "the sugar" intake.



