



# Greenhead CE Primary School Newsletter

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Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 10/9/18

*(Please note: this menu may be subject to change)*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Bolognese, Bread & Sweetcorn <b>Or</b> Baguette with Cheese or Tuna	Chicken Goujons, Wedges & Beans <b>Or</b> Wrap with Ham or Cheese	Steak Pie, Potatoes & Peas <b>Or</b> Jacket Potato with Beans or Cheese	Mince & Dumplings, Mashed Potato & Carrots <b>Or</b> Baguette with Cheese or Ham	Pizza Slice, Chips & Beans <b>Or</b> Pasta with Cheese or Tuna
Fruit Meringue	Angel Delight	Iced Muffin Cake	Apple Crumble & Custard	Fruit & Ice Cream
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt



## Stars of the Week



Reception/Class 1: Theo for working hard on his reading and using his phonics to help him

Class 2: All the Year 3s for settling in brilliantly

Headteacher's Award – Joe for having a great start to school

## New Academic Year

I hope that you and your children enjoyed the holidays and feel refreshed and ready for the start of a new school term. I have enjoyed my first few days and have been busy getting to know the new children. It has been lovely to be greeted at school by so many happy, friendly faces!

This year I hope to build upon the good work that the staff, governors and children already have in place so that your children continue to receive the right support and the best possible education.

I have two wonderful children myself and so I know first-hand how important it is to establish a good relationship between home and school. I know that you would want the school to have high expectations of pupils in terms of achievement and behaviour. As you are the most precious people in your child's life, it is really important that we continue to work together and support one another. Every child has the ability to do something amazing and together we can make this potential a reality.

I look forward to working with you all in the future and you can rest assured that I will work tirelessly to ensure the school continues to flourish and maintains its welcoming, family feel.

### Learning Achievement

**Reception/Class 1:** We have had fun exploring the nature garden and making friends with trees! We have also started to look at different ways to represent numbers in Maths.

**Class 2:** we welcomed the year 3 children to our classroom and I'm pleased to say they have settled in beautifully. The children split into 2 groups with half the class becoming Romans for the week and the other half becoming Celts. The children had a debate and then they wrote a soliloquy preparing themselves for battle. In Maths we are covering place value and using place value grids, counters, part-whole models and place value cards to create numbers up to 10 million. In science the children have started to research Roman toilets, aqueducts and the sewers in preparation for their investigation later on in term. A very busy first week back!  
For further information please look on our website and Facebook page.

### Bishop's visit

From Thursday 6 to Sunday 9 September the Diocese of Newcastle is running the 'Pathways' Mission (<http://pathwaysmission.org.uk>) which will involve Bishops and their teams from all over the North of England. We were fortunate enough to have a visit from the Bishop of Durham and members of his team. The children contributed to a Question and Answer session to find out as many facts about the Bishop as possible! All the children(are invited to The Sill at 10.30am on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September where the Archbishop of York will be present Hope to see you there!

### VIP invitation

The children in Year 6 have been invited to The Sill on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. They will be involved in the opening ceremony and will get to meet a very high profile individual...more details to follow!  
The children will spend the morning at The Sill completing activities, listening to the special visitor and will have a packed lunch there. Please complete the permission slip and indicate if they will require a packed lunch provided by the school or will bring their own.

### Academic calendar

You will all receive an overview of the academic year for your information. There may be additional events that we will inform you about in the weekly newsletter but we will keep you updated.

### Dinners

Our children have enjoyed having a choice for school dinners. However, in order to avoid waste and simplify ordering, we need to know in advance what they would like. Each Monday we will send home the **following** week's menu and would ask you to send in your child's choice by the Wednesday. There is, of course, still the option to send a packed lunch.

### Home/ School communication

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the 'Meet and Greet' parent session. We hope that you found it useful. If you need to discuss anything further with your child's teacher you can do so via the child's home/school white book or by making a mutually convenient appointment via the school office. Mrs Fairless and I will be holding half termly parent sessions to discuss future events, generate ideas etc...

We encourage communication, however, due to GDPR regulations, I would encourage you not to contact any staff members via their personal Facebook accounts – please use the Greenhead School Fundraising account for any comments, queries etc.

### Uniform

Could we please remind you of our uniform requirements -  
Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan with logo  
White polo shirt  
Grey/black trousers or skirt  
Purple gingham dress (Summer uniform option)  
Grey/black knee length shorts (Summer uniform option)  
Black school shoes (not trainers)  
Black book bag with logo (Optional)

### Compulsory PE kit

White t shirt  
Black shorts  
Suitable footwear i.e. trainers  
Black plimsolls  
Bottle green Hoodie with logo for sport (Optional)

Small stud earrings may be worn as long as they are covered with a plaster for PE or sport (plasters to be brought from home or the child will be asked to take the earrings out).

No other jewellery is allowed.

We had a visit from Hallie this week. She is our reading dog and over the course of the year the children will take turns to read to Hallie and spend time with her if they wish to do so. When she is older she will be assessed to see if she can be a wellbeing therapy PAT dog- all very exciting!  
Hallie will be coming into school for regular visits to get to know the children.

**NUFC** will be running an After School Club at Henshaw on Mondays, commencing 10<sup>th</sup> September from 3.30 – 4.30pm. Parents will need to take and collect their children to and from Henshaw School. This is open to all Year groups.

**Home Time Arrangements**

If there are any changes to home-time arrangements (eg your child being collected by someone else or not going on the bus) can you please let us know in advance – either verbally or in writing.

**School Hours**

A reminder that the school day starts at 8.50am and children should arrive at school for 8.45am. Children should be collected promptly at 3.00pm unless they are staying for After School club.

Yours,



Sarah Hutchinson  
Executive Headteacher

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**The Sill**

**Year 6 only**

I give permission for ..... to visit The Sill on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> September.

He/she will bring their own packed lunch

He/she would like a packed lunch provided by the school (£2.30)

Signed .....