

Greasby Junior School

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Care, Courtesy and Consideration

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A warm welcome back to all our children and families. We hope you all had a wonderful break this Christmas. The children have returned brilliantly, and have engaged well with life and learning at GJS! We are looking forward to the year ahead, and working with you again to do the very best for our children.

<u>Merit of the week</u>		<u>Attendance</u>	
Merit Award	Year 3: Ellie R & Oliver R Year 4: Oliver S & Isaac F Year 5: Charlie C & Lucy W Year 6: Rosie F & Charlotte W	Year 3: 97.5 Year 4: 95.9 Year 5: 98.0 Year 6: 94.3 Whole Schoo	9% <
<u>Kindness Awards</u>		<u>Golden Table Awards</u>	
Year 3: Dudley S Year 4: Oliver S Year 5: Hattie W & Sienna T Year 6: Emily T			
What's on at school next week? (Week beginning 15th January)			
Monday:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Thursday:	Yr3 Resilience Workshop Homework Club (12:00pm) Yr3/4 Judo Club (12:20pm) Yr4-6 Time Out Thursday (12:30pm)
Tuesday:	Homework Club (12:00pm) Drama with Desna (12:30pm) Choir (12:30pm)		Chess Club (3:35pm) Fun Ball Sports (3:35pm)
Wednesday:	Homework Club (12:00pm)	Friday:	Golden Table (12:00pm) Yr4-6 Film Friday (12:30pm) School Council (12:30pm)
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REMINDER: School Times of Opening



Playground open:8:30amDoors open:8:50amMorning Session:9.00 am - 12.00 pmAfternoon Session:1.15 pm - 3.35 pm

Children should arrive before the opening of the school and make their way straight on to either the Lower or Upper School playgrounds, a member of staff is on each playground from 8:30am to supervise the children. At 8.50am, the school doors are opened and the children go to their classrooms, where a 'starter' activity will be prepared for them. Registration takes place at 9.00am. So as to avoid any missed learning opportunity, all children should be in school for 8:50am.

It is important for parents to understand that, although staff are in school from 7.00am, there is no direct supervision until 8.30am and therefore, until this point, children are still the responsibility of their parents.

Can you help?

Before Christmas, one of the children brought in their Nintendo Switch for Golden Time. Unfortunately, it cannot be found. Please can all families take a look at home to see if your child has brought it home accidently. Thank you with for your help with this matter.





Are you Updated?

Arbor It is critical that we hold the accurate information for our children and their families. This includes <u>addresses</u> and <u>contact numbers</u> as well as <u>any relevant</u> <u>permission</u> and <u>medical information</u>. This can be easily done by logging into your Arbor account and updating.

School Uniform Expectations

Just a reminder of our day-to-day school uniform expectations. I would also be grateful if you could ensure your child:

- Wears black school shoes, rather than trainers (unless otherwise agreed by me due to specific circumstances)
- Does not wear jewellery. Only simple stud earrings are accepted; however, these must be either removed or covered for PE lessons.
- Wears long hair tied back
- Wears no nail varnish.

Attendance



We all know that school attendance is important, in fact the government have launched a new attendance campaign this January because of their national growing concerns around this. Overall, our school attendance is positive, however, we all must continue to work together o keep it that way. When children do not attend school regularly, they can fall behind with their friends and classmates as well as missing valuable education and learning. Please know that as a school, we would never expect a child to attend school if they are so unwell that they are not fit to learn; this is the right thing for them as well as the other pupils. Medical advice is clear that children with a mild illness will often be well enough to

attend, for example, if they have a cough or a cold without a temperature. Previously I have shared the NHS guidance













regarding this. Please click on the <u>link</u> for more information. In line with the government's initiative, 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts', and as is our responsibility, families will receive their child's attendance update next week. This is simply sent to inform parents and carers of their child's current attendance percentage and then offer further support if needed.



Online Safety

From using them for communication, work, shopping and entertainment, devices such as smartphones, laptops and the rest are now deeply ingrained into modern society. Small wonder, then, that young people – who've grown up surrounded by such gadgets – can sometimes struggle to put them down, switch them off or keep themselves occupied without them.

While limiting our screen time may require a great deal of restraint, the effort can be rewarded with significant benefits to our physical and mental health. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide has simple tips for helping to manage the amount of screen time in your household – encouraging the whole family to spend more quality time together and live in the moment.

Menu

Please see the <u>school website</u> for allergy menus. Please note that the menu has changed for Thursday, which has been copied below.



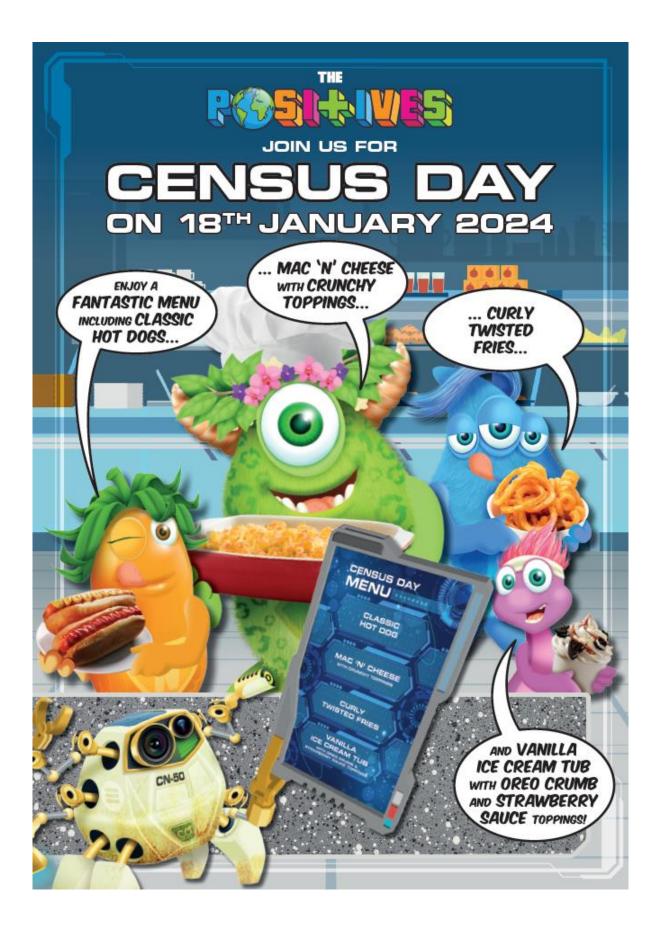






















Community Events



Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emma Ball, Headteacher

INSET Days 2023-2024 Monday 4th September Tuesday 5th September Friday 20th October Monday 8th January Friday 24th May









