



Anston Greenlands Primary School



JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Dates for your Diary

February Friday 9 th	Last day – half term follows – return to school Monday 19 th February
March Thursday 7 th Friday 8 th Wednesday 20 th Friday 22 nd Thursday 28 th	Y5/6 visit to Lyceum Theatre World Book Day celebration – dress as a book character *note change of day Y3/4 visit to Magna Y3/4 Science Fair (afternoon) Last day – Easter holiday follows – return to school Monday 15 th April
May Thursday 2 nd Monday 6 th 13 th – 16 th Thursday 23 rd Friday 24 th	INSET day (elections) – school closed to children May Day – school closed to children Y6 SATs Class photos (and individual Y6 photos) Last day – half term follows – return to school Tuesday 4 th June (after INSET)
June Monday 3 rd WB 10 th	INSET day – school closed to children Y1 phonics screening check
July (to follow) 15 th – 23 rd Tuesday 23 rd	(dates for Sports Day and Performances to follow) Non-uniform – Uniform Swap Shop to take place from Tuesday onwards Last day – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school everybody! We hope you've all had a restful Christmas and that 2024 has started well. Things are already off to a flying start in our new term, with Wow days and new projects galore. There are some very exciting end-of-term events to look forward to!

Welcome to our New Staff

A warm welcome to Mrs Greaves, who has joined us in Breakfast and After School Club following the retirement of Mrs Hopkinson at Christmas. We wish Mrs Hopkinson well and thank her for lots of brilliant memories in school! We also welcome Mrs Burgin and Mrs Jackson, who have joined our lunchtime supervisor team. Finally, our children in Chaffinches have been pleased to welcome Mrs Spon-Smith, who joins the class for the next few weeks as a teaching student.



Breakfast and After School Club Contact

A reminder of our before and after school contact number for Club – this is **07546349064**. Please add this to your contacts in case you need to get in touch with Club staff outside school hours. Thank you!

Scooters

We are delighted to see the number of children riding to school on their scooters at the moment! Father Christmas must've brought a few two-wheeled presents to Anston this year! Here are a couple of reminders for children who are bringing bikes or scooters. Firstly, if somebody else's scooter is parked in a place in the scooter pod, please don't remove it. Scooters can be added to the bike shelter when space runs out in the pod. Secondly, when you arrive at school, please dismount at the top of the ramp. Thank you!

World Education Summit

Big news! Anston Greenlands has been chosen to present to teachers from across the planet at this year's World Education Summit! The online conference will be attended by over 10,000 delegates from all over the world. We'll be sharing our approach to environmental education. On that note, keep your eyes peeled for our Rewilding Challenge, on the way in spring...!



WES 2024
Official
Speaker

Parking

A reminder to please pay special attention when parking and driving close to school, given the obvious concerns for children's safety. We would also ask parents to be mindful of allowing space for coaches to pass down the road, when children are returning from visits etc. Thank you very much for your support in this matter.

Change of Date – World Book Day

Please note that we'll now be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 8th March (the day after the official World Book Day). This is because we have a visit taking place on the Thursday, and we want to make sure that everybody can take part together.



Learning Outside the Classroom Award – Update

We told you in September that we'd achieved the Council for Learning Outside the Classroom's Silver Award. What we didn't realise at the time was that we're the only school in Rotherham to achieve a LOtC Award! The CLOtC have since been in touch and would like Greenlands to work with some other schools across South Yorkshire. Watch this space...!

Anston Greenlands Memory Book

Did you know that the end of this year will mark **50 years of Anston Greenlands!** We have some exciting things planned for the summer term, but for now, we wondered if any of our parents, carers or grandparents might have some special memories of Anston Greenlands to share? We'd love to put together a book to record some of the school's history. If you have a favourite memory of your time at Greenlands, please email it to office@greenlandsprimary.org with the heading "Greenlands Memories". Thank you!

New Website Coming Soon

You may notice that the website is a little quiet over the next week or so. This is because we're preparing to launch an updated site later this month. We'll let you know when the new site goes live!

INSET Dates for This Year

A reminder that this year's remaining INSET days are:

Thursday 2nd May 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024

