



# Anston Greenlands Primary School



## JULY NEWSLETTER

### Dates for your diary

<b>July</b> Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> WB 14 <sup>th</sup> Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET day – school closed to children Book Fair in school (after school in the hall) KS2 performance of Buggy Malone – outdoor stage – 6pm-8pm Swap shop week – non-uniform all week Y6 transition afternoon (Dinnington High students) SEND drop-ins Y6 evening visit to the cinema Y6 Leavers' Assembly (c.9-10am) Last day of school for children – 2pm finish INSET day – school closed to children INSET day – school closed to children
<b>September</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> WB 22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET day – school closed to children INSET day – school closed to children First day back at school for children Y5/6 Residential visit to PGL Dearne Valley
<b>October</b> Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 visit to Crucial Crew INSET day – school closed to children (half term holiday follows)
<b>November</b> Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	First day back at school Parents' evening Parents' evening
<b>December</b> Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school – 2pm finish – Christmas holiday follows
<b>January 2026</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	First day back at school Bikeability (Y5)
<b>February</b> Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last day of school – half term holiday follows First day back at school
<b>March</b> Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school – Easter holiday follows



<b>April</b> Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	First day back at school Parents' evening Parents' evening
<b>May</b> Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bank holiday – school closed Last day of school – half term holiday follows
<b>June</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET day – school closed to children First day back at school
<b>July</b> Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows INSET day – school closed to children

## Sports Day

What a fantastic Sports Day! A huge well done to all of our wonderful children for their effort and attitudes. You make us all very proud on days like that! Thank you also to our parents and carers for getting in the spirit – our family race was one for the ages...! Well done to everyone and congratulations to this year's winners, **Yellow Team**.



## Staffing for next year

On Tuesday, there was an opportunity for the children to meet their teacher for next year. Of course, at our school, 'meet' isn't exactly the right word, because most of the children already know their teacher for the next year fairly well! However, the children all seemed to enjoy the chance to work with their new teacher, and I know that all of the staff are now feeling very excited about next year! Here's a rundown of the teaching staff for 2025-26:

FS2 (Wrens)	Mrs Marriott
Y1 (Robins)	Miss Fisher (Mon-Thu) / Mrs Crossmore (Fri)
Y2 (Chaffinches)	Mrs Bratt (Mon, Tue, Fri) / Miss Walker (Wed, Thu)
Y3 (Merlins)	Mrs Adams (Tue-Fri) / Mrs Crossmore (Mon)
Y4 (Ospreys)	Miss Baldwin
Y5 (Golden Eagles)	Mrs Roberts
Y6 (Snowy Owls)	Mrs Bower

## INSET dates for next year

Here are our INSET days for 2025-26. Please note that school will be closed to children on these dates:

1st Sept  
2nd Sept  
24th Oct  
1st June  
20th July

## Uniform Swap Shop

The last week of term will be our annual non-uniform swap shop! We really encourage all of our families to make use of this. We're big fans of reused uniform at Greenlands! It's better for the planet and better for your wallet. Win-win! Here's how it works...

**Monday 14th** - Please send in any clean, good quality uniform that your children have grown out of or longer need. If possible, please send this in a bag, labelled by size. **From Monday onwards, children do not need to come in uniform.** This includes PE days, when anything sporty (or easy to run around in) is fine to wear.

**Tuesday to Friday** (or as long as stock lasts) - All donated uniform will be available for FREE at the start and end of each day, on the infant yard. If the weather is bad, we will move the tables inside the hall.

## New school meals providers

Our trust has recently completed a tendering process to find a new school meals provider for all three primaries. The new company, Aspens, will be taking over our dinner service from September. We will be meeting with Aspens shortly and will be in touch again as soon as possible with further details.

## The Glow Show

Well done to everyone in the infants for your incredible Glow Show today! The children have been building towards this all term, with some top-class learning taking place. What fantastic artwork, too!



## Breakfast and After School Club Pricing

Please be aware that club fees will increase slightly in September, to £3.00 for Breakfast Club (an increase of 10p) and to £8.40 in After School Club (an increase of 20p). This change is in line with rising costs.

## Reminder - School Shoes

Before we come back to school after the holidays, many parents will be dragging children round shoe shops to replace outgrown school shoes (not a job I relish with my own children!) With this in mind, I'd like to take the opportunity to remind everyone that our uniform is **black shoes or trainers**, and that we do ask for children not to wear brightly coloured trainers. This may seem like an arbitrary request, but in the past we've found that it can lead to unkind comments between children if some come in expensive / name brand trainers and others don't. Easier all round if we keep things simple and stick to plain black! **Please note that we will be enforcing this as a school rule again after the holidays.** Thank you for your support with this.

## Book Fair

The book fair is in school Monday to Thursday next week, straight after school in the main hall. A great chance to pick up a bargain summer read! Every book you buy helps school, as we receive a percentage back in book vouchers for school. Thank you!

## The Green Pages – a small business directory for our school community!

*So far, we've only had one response to our offer of free listing in a local business directory, so we thought we'd give the idea an extra push now and in the new year, before either running with it or giving it up as a lost cause! Here are the details...*

We are always looking for ways to support the school community, so we thought we'd try a new idea in our newsletters. Do you have your own small business? Perhaps you're a self-employed builder, electrician, accountant, web designer or plumber? If you work for yourself and offer a service that might be of use to other families at school, we'd love to support you by including your details at the end of the newsletter. This will be a simple directory (like the Yellow Pages, for those who remember it!). It will be completely free and will provide a network of local tradespeople and small businesses, which we hope will be useful for the school community. All we ask is that:

- the business is owned by a parent / carer / grandparent of a child at Greenlands;
- you or a family member aren't employed by the school.

If you'd like to be included in our directory (for free!) please email school ([AGP-office@nclt.ac.uk](mailto:AGP-office@nclt.ac.uk)) with:

- Your business / company name;
- Your child's name (this will **not** be included in the directory – it's just to make sure we only receive entries from people who have children with us!)
- A very brief description of what you do – please note that this is a directory and **not** an advert, so this will simply appear as e.g. *electrician*, or *electrician – rewires, lighting, fuse board installation etc.* and will **not** include any other promotional information.
- Your contact details (phone number or email address – please remember that this will be visible to all parents via the newsletter)
- Your website / Checkatrade link or similar, if you have one.

Please note that this will be a very simple directory and will not have space for adverts or any other information. Inclusion in the directory will not indicate any kind of recommendation from school, and parents using it should still refer to any other sources (e.g. Google / Checkatrade) if they wish to check reviews / recommendations. It might be a big success or a total flop, but it's worth a try to find out! Watch this space!



## Baton Relay

We had a brilliant day on 18<sup>th</sup> June, when four of our children carried a baton to Anston Brook as part of the Children's Capital of Culture celebration. First, we welcomed the runners from Park with a whole-school welcome party, then our children completed their leg. On top of that, every child in school took part in a baton relay on the day, within their class. We all got our exercise that day!

## Uniform for September

A reminder for children to come to school in the correct uniform. On PE days, this includes a black hoodie. We offer our logo hoodie, which is very reasonably priced (we don't make any profit on uniform). Alternatively, children may wear a plain black hoodie for PE, but please ensure that they don't wear anything with logos / writing on etc. The holidays are a good time to check that the name in your child's clothing hasn't worn off, too!

## Thank you

A huge thank you to all of our families for your support this year. We feel very lucky to be part of such a vibrant, supportive community and wish you all a wonderful summer!