



Anston Greenlands Primary School



NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

November	
Wednesday 19 th	Parents' evening
Thursday 20 th	Parents' evening
Thursday 27 th	Sycamore Gap sapling planting ceremony *new date – see below!*
December	
Wednesday 3 rd	Panto visit for FS2, Y1 & Y2 (Snow White) *new date*
Wednesday 10 th	Infant Nativity (afternoon)
	Y5 & Y6 visit to Gainsborough Old Hall *rearranged from 10 th November*
Thursday 11 th	Infant Nativity (afternoon)
Tuesday 16 th	Y5 and Y6 Christmas Party (afternoon)
Wednesday 17 th	Junior Coffee Morning – A Greenlands Christmas Carol (morning)
	Infant Christmas Party (afternoon)
Thursday 18 th	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party (afternoon)
Friday 19 th	Last day of school – 2pm finish – Christmas holiday follows
January 2026	
Monday 5 th	First day back at school
19 th – 21 st	Bikeability (Y5)
February	
Friday 13 th	Last day of school (non uniform) – half term holiday follows
Monday 23 rd	First day back at school
March	
Friday 27 th	Last day of school (non uniform) – Easter holiday follows
April	
Monday 13 th	First day back at school
Tuesday 21 st	Parents' evening
Wednesday 22 nd	Parents' evening
May	
Monday 4 th	Bank holiday – school closed
Friday 22 nd	Last day of school (non uniform) – half term holiday follows
June	
Monday 1 st	INSET day – school closed to children
Tuesday 2 nd	First day back at school
Wednesday 24 th	Sports Day (weather dependent)
Tuesday 30 th	Moving-up morning
July	
Friday 17 th	Last day of school – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows
Monday 20 th	INSET day – school closed to children



Sycamore Gap Sapling

We are delighted to let you know that we now have a date for the planting of our Sycamore Gap sapling! As you may remember, last year we were chosen as a home for one of the 49 saplings rescued by the National Trust, following the illegal felling of the famous Sycamore Gap tree. We're in illustrious company, including Alder Hey Children's Hospital and the Rob Burrow Centre for Motor Neurone Disease.

The National Trust have now announced the planting day for our tree – this will be **Thursday 27th November**. We would like to invite our families to join us for a planting ceremony at **11.30am** (arrival at the ramp gate from 11.15am).



We were awarded the sapling in recognition of our children's work to increase Rotherham's biodiversity, through the 'Rewilding Rotherham' award. To continue this work, we'll be marking the day by planting lots of trees on site, with the Sycamore Gap ceremony being the main event! We hope you can join us on the day, to help us celebrate.

Toys in School

We have recently seen a sudden increase in the number of children bringing toys to school. Please note that toys should not be brought in. There is no opportunity to play with them, and if they get lost or damaged, this inevitably leads to upset. They are also causing a distraction during lessons and leading to fall-outs at playtime. Please ensure, therefore, that children do not bring toys to school. This also applies to large keyring toys, such as Labubus etc. (That's a word I never expected to write in a newsletter!) Please note that if you have spoken to us previously about your child requiring a fidget object, this is something we can accommodate in school, and no items need to be sent from home. Thank you very much for your support with this.

Parking

Recently, we've had an increase in people parking in the school "hammerhead", on the bend of Edinburgh Drive and on the double yellow lines & zig-zags close to school. A number of parents have shared this concern with me and I know that the vast majority of people observe the rules around parking etc. If you need to drive to school, **please** consider parking a little further away from the gate and walking in – this would help with congestion and provide a much safer environment for our children. At the moment, many children are having to cross the road between parked cars and this presents a really worrying safety issue. Thank you very much for your support with this.

Parents' Evening

A reminder that parents' evening will take place on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th November. This is an ideal opportunity to find out how your child has settled into their new year group and to chat with their teacher. If you haven't already done so, please return the booking form so that we can allocate you an appointment. Thank you.

Spooky Disco

A huge thank you to our PTA and to all the volunteers who helped organise the Spooky Disco. The children had a wonderful time and we raised £706! Thank you everyone.

INSET dates

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

1st June
20th July

The Green Pages!

The following businesses are run by family members from our school community. Inclusion in this directory does not constitute an endorsement from school.*

Business name: **Anston Pest Control Ltd.**

Services: **Pest control service - domestic & commercial**

Phone: **07969329396**

Email: admin@anstonpestcontrol.co.uk

Website: www.anstonpestcontrol.co.uk

Business name: **Hanzen Security Solutions**

Services: **Installation and Maintenance of Intruder Alarms and CCTV Systems**

Phone: **07514267539**

Email: joe@hanzensecuritysolutions.com

Website: www.hanzensecuritysolutions.com

Business name: **Portal Lifts Ltd.**

Services: **Installation of new / refurbished stair lifts; passenger lift repair etc.**

Phone: **07706555251**

Email: info@portallifts.co.uk

Website: www.portallifts.co.uk

If you'd like to be included in the Green Pages, please get in touch! 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) 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.

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