



Anston Greenlands Primary School



JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Dates for your Diary

January 19 th – 21 st Monday 26 th	Bikeability (Y5) Y5/6 visit to National Space Centre
February Friday 6 th Wednesday 11 th Friday 13 th Monday 23 rd	Magician visit for infants (Golden Time treat!) *new date* Eye tests for Wrens *new date* Last day of school (non uniform) – half term holiday follows First day back at school
March Tuesday 3 rd Monday 16 th Thursday 19 th Tuesday 24 th Wednesday 25 th Friday 27 th	Secondary school places announced by government *new date* National Science Week *new date* Y3/4 visit to Magna *new date* NCLT Poetry Slam event – Wingfield High School – evening (see below) *new date* Y3/4 STEM Fair *new date* Last day of school (non uniform) – Easter holiday follows
April Monday 13 th Tuesday 21 st Wednesday 22 nd	First day back at school Parents' evening Parents' evening
May Monday 4 th Friday 22 nd	Bank holiday – school closed Last day of school (non uniform) – half term holiday follows
June Monday 1 st Tuesday 2 nd Wednesday 24 th Tuesday 30 th	INSET day – school closed to children First day back at school Sports Day (weather dependent) Moving-up morning
July Friday 17 th Monday 20 th	Last day of school – 2pm finish – summer holiday follows INSET day – school closed to children
September Tuesday 1 st Wednesday 2 nd Thursday 3 rd	INSET day – school closed to children *new date* INSET day – school closed to children *new date* First day back at school *new date*



2026 has started with a bang!

What a fantastic start our children have made to 2026! There are some very exciting projects happening all around school. Here's a little more about what they're all up to...

FS2 – our Wrens were very excited to find that a time machine had appeared in their classroom! That should come in handy as they learn about the past, the present and the future...

Puffins – the children in Puffins are learning all about light and dark. They have a beautiful black-out area to help with this. They've also been exploring outer space!

Y1 & Y2 – there have been marmalade sandwiches aplenty in Robins and Chaffinches, where the children have started their novel study around Paddington! They're learning all about London, including the Great Fire of London, as well as exploring the use of fantasy characters in texts.

Y3 & Y4 – Merlins and Ospreys are very fired up about their project! They have a visit to Magna to look forward to, but that's not all: at the end of the term they'll be sharing all their Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths knowledge with family members at their STEM Fair. Watch this space...

Y5 & Y6 – Golden Eagles and Snowy Owls are taking part in a novel study this term; they're reading Louis Sachar's incredible book *Holes*. They'll also be visiting the National Space Centre as part of their wider work about the USA.

Brass Lessons in School

At the end of last term, we surprised the children with a Christmas Concert from Rotherham Schools' Music Service, and we noticed that lots of them were fascinated by the brass instruments. To follow that up, on Monday, we had a visit from brass teacher Mr Grayson, who demonstrated some of his instruments. **We now have an exciting opportunity for children in Y3-6 to take part in brass lessons!** If your child would like to try a free taster session in school, please contact us on agp-office@nclt.ac.uk, to express interest. We will then be in touch with further details.

Strangers Reminder

Some children at local schools have reported being offered sweets by strangers recently. We are unable to verify this, but it can't help to remind children of the importance of safety around strangers. This is work we are able to do in school, but also ask parents to chat with your children about this. Thank you.

Science Week & STEM Fair

Do you have a job that includes an element of Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths? Whatever your role, we'd love to hear from you! Mrs Adams is on the lookout for people who may be able to help with our Science Week. If you think you may be able to help, please get in touch with Mrs Adams via school. Thank you!

Poetry Slam

Our trust, NCLT, has announced a new "Poetry Slam" event that will take place at Wingfield High School, Kimberworth Park, on the evening of Tuesday 24th March. In the coming weeks, children from each class will work on a performance poem, with winning groups selected to represent FS2, Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6. These groups will then be given the opportunity to represent Greenlands at the event. We'll keep you updated about this as it develops!

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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