

**Message from Miss Carr**

Spring is most definitely in the air and I love looking at all the flowers as they start to bloom as the weather gets warmer. Our gardening club have been busy sowing seeds and planting bulbs and we will await the growth of the plants and vegetables with excitement and hope. I have also been observing the children growing and blooming in their classes as they absorb the knowledge they are taught and use it to make informed decisions and progress in their learning. Two weeks ago, I invited some local Headteachers in to observe teaching and learning. They all were very impressed with the attitudes and behaviour of all our children here at Greenmount. They saw lovely interactions, curiosity and a real passion for learning in classrooms. Good news and well done to all.

Last week we welcomed a multi faith panel into school, kindly arranged by Mr Nazir and Mr Wilson for us. We had representatives from the Jewish, Muslim, Christian, Sikh and Hindu communities. Children in years 4,5 and 6 had prepared questions to ask and then compared responses. It was amazing to hear the passion from each guest for their religion and our children listened well and showed great respect and tolerance. I know we all learnt a lot from the panel and were able to reflect on our own values and beliefs whilst respecting those of others. A big thank you to Mr Nazir for all of his help with this.

I hope you get some quality family time over the Easter holidays, remember it is not actually Easter until we return from the break on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April. We will have our Easter activities and competitions that week.

*Miss C Carr*

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Headteacher



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**Term dates 2018-19**

**Easter holidays:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**School Closed (Bank Holidays)** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April and Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Spring Bank:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

School Closes for the summer holidays on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Teacher Training Days (School will be closed for pupils)**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Free Little Library**

It is lovely to see so many people using our new Free Little Library in the KS2 playground. Please help us keep it stocked up by putting in any unwanted books you have at home for others to enjoy.



**Packed Lunch Survey**

Thank you to all the parents who returned the Packed Lunch Survey. We are pleased to announce that Saif Nadeem's family were the lucky winners of the £10 Asda voucher.



**Parental Consultations**

This year we have decided to have a consultation event in April instead of July, so you can meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress. You will receive your child's report in July.

**Year 6:** Consultations taking place this week.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April:** Reception, Year 4 and Year 5

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 1, Year 2, Year 3

Appointments can be made between 1.30-5.30pm and will take place in the hall to allow a more private discussion.

If the date is not suitable please speak to your child's teacher who will do their best to arrange an alternative.



### Bug Club

Remember that all of your children have a Bug Club login for their own personal use and can access a range of reading books on devices at home through the website Active Learn. This is a safe website that helps children with their reading fluency and comprehension skills.

**Any problems let the classroom teacher know.**



### Labels

Would you please write your child's name on all their clothes, lunchboxes, water bottles and book bags. We can then return any lost items to their owners.

We do have a lost property box in the vestibule between the KS2 playground and the main office.

### Attendance Update

Our aim as a school is to maintain attendance above 96%. Let's see how we are doing after the Spring Term.

Group	% Attend	Group	% Attend	<b>Unauthorised holidays have a BIG impact on our school attendance.</b> Just in the spring term we had over 17 pupils off on unauthorised leave.  We have 12 weeks in the academic year in which you can take holidays.  If you require a school calendar they are available in the office and on our website.  Penalty fines will be issued by Leeds City Council.
RH	94.4	4M	97.9	
RB	93.6	4R	96.6	
1B	94.9	4E	97.1	
1G	95.5	5W	96.4	
2P	96.9	5L	96.6	
2M	97.3	6R	97.9	
3A	96	6E	97.7	
3D	96.9			
<b>Total for school 96.4%</b>				

**Did you know? 306 of our pupils have an OUTSTANDING**

**ATTENDANCE of over 96%**



### Parking-safety

Please **do-not park** on the zig-zag lines on Greenmount Street and do not double park. You are endangering lives when you do this, the local police are monitoring the situation.

Leave yourself enough time on a morning to get to school safely and do consider walking, especially if you live near our school.

### School Uniform 2018-19

Navy Blue Round Neck Jumper  
Navy Blue Cardigan  
White Polo Shirt  
Grey Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore/shorts  
Grey Salwar Kameez  
Navy Blue Headscarf  
Blue gingham checked summer dress  
Black shoes/ankle boots

#### P.E Kit

White t-shirt (Short or long sleeved)  
Black jogging bottoms/leggings or shorts  
Trainers or pumps

*Jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts will be available with the new Greenmount logo on or you can buy the plain ones and wear them. They are widely available from lots of supermarkets and retailers.*

**We will no longer be selling school uniform in school but if you want to buy uniform with a logo on they will be available from <http://www.designschooluniform.co.uk/> they have a whole range of basic uniform to buy as well – including grey trousers, dresses, skirts and black pumps. You can buy online or in store on Great George Street/Kirkgate market.**

#### Health and safety

**If your child wants to wear earrings they must be small studs only, please.**

#### ***Please remember.....***

- To send your child with a PE kit, we are a healthy school.*
- To speak to your class teacher if you are concerned with anything at school.*
- To send your child with a coat, water bottle and book bag each day.*

#### **Safety** We take safety very seriously at our school

- If you have any concerns or observations regarding health and safety please contact: Miss Carr, Mrs Dixon, Miss Dyson or Mr Potts.
- If you have any concerns or questions regarding Child Protection issues or safeguarding please contact: Miss Carr, Mrs Dixon, Mrs Priestley or Mrs Khattun.