

Greentrees Primary School

Part of the Pickwick Academy Trust



Newsletter – Friday 18th September 2026

Lunches



Lunches next week will be **Week 3** Spring / Summer menu.

For families who pay for school lunches, please be aware that meals are now priced at **£2.75** (from 1st September 2026).

Country Park Play Area – Children's Safety

We know that a number of our junior pupils enjoy playing in the park before and after school. We would like to stress that this area is NOT supervised by school staff at any time and therefore, children use this area at their own risk. We want to make you aware of this, following a number of recent accidents and injuries.

Reading news

Reading Raffle

If your child reads at home 5 times each week they get a team point and their name will be entered into a draw to win a book, every week. The winner will be drawn during assembly on Mondays. The more weeks they achieve this, the more chance they will have of winning. Happy reading!

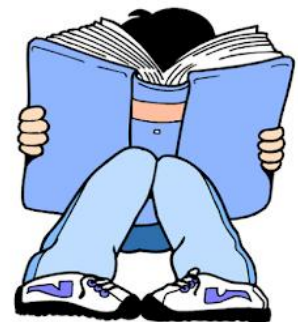
Congratulations to this week's winners who are:

Infants

Albert – Orangutans Class

Juniors

Finlay – Parrots Class



Start your day with a story sessions

We are running 'start your day with a story' sessions throughout the year when each class is invited to come to school at 8:15am to 'start their day' with some stories in the library! Please see the dates for each class below.



23rd Sept Koalas

30th Sept Pandas

7th Oct Lemurs

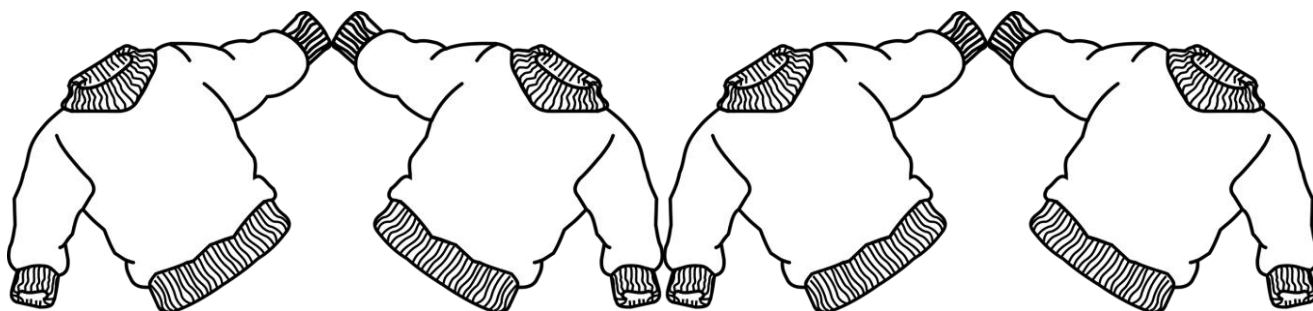
14th Oct Orangutans

Treefrogs and Geckos will be invited next term once they have settled into school.

The children can be dropped at 8:10am via the office where their teacher will sign them in so we know they are in school. Mrs Tomlinson will meet them in the library with the story starting at 8:15am. The children will head to class at 8:30am.

Free jumper swap event – Wednesday 14th October

We are pleased to let you know we're running a free jumper swap on Wednesday 14th October in order to reduce consumption, reduce waste, and protect finances. You can **donate jumpers at either site from Wednesday 7th October. Both Christmas and non-Christmas jumpers are welcome!** Please include jumpers in teen sizes as well, as last time our Y6 children didn't have many of the larger sizes available to choose from.



Please note, this does **not** involve straight swaps from one child to another. All items that are donated will be laid out in the hall for everyone to look at. Classes will then be invited to visit the hall and ANY child can choose an item.

This means that if you donate, you may not necessarily take something home - some families are more able to donate, others are more in need. Many thanks for supporting this event.

Train to Teach – School Experience Morning at Winterslow

Are you deciding if teaching might be the career for you?

Register for our upcoming school experience morning at Winterslow Primary School, near Salisbury, on Friday 16th October and gain first-hand experience in school. Visit lessons, speak to leaders and find out more about routes into teaching with STL SCITT (formerly known as OTT SCITT).

Book your place here! <https://schoolexperience.education.gov.uk/candidates/schools/148677>



AGM

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our AGM on Tuesday — your support means so much. We are excited to welcome several new committee members, and we also want to extend our heartfelt thanks to those stepping down. We are sorry to see you go and deeply appreciate all you have done for the school community.

We are looking forward to another busy year and hope to see many of you at our upcoming events. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter, notice boards and Facebook page for upcoming events.

UNIFORM SALE

We will be holding a uniform sale on **Friday 9 October from 3-4pm at the Infants site.** It's a great chance to pick up good-quality items at bargain prices, and there will also be a small tuck shop selling treats. You can pay by cash or card for your purchases.

Rags2Riches CLOTHING DONATION

There will be a Rags2Riches collection on **Monday 5 October.** This is your chance to help raise funds for the school through textile recycling as well as spreading textile recycling awareness. **Please bring your bags and drop them at reception (both sites) when you bring your children in to school that morning.**

Any unwanted clothes, shoes, handbags & accessories etc would be gratefully appreciated. **Please note, Rags2Riches will not take duvets and pillows or school uniform.** If you are wanting to donate old school uniform, please take it to reception at either the Infant or Junior site where it will be sorted and sold by FROGS at our various uniform sales throughout the year.

What they collect	What they don't collect
• Clean, good quality, dry reusable clothing • Adults, children's & babies clothing • Paired shoes and footwear • Jewellery and accessories • Belts and Handbags	• Poor quality items such as dirty, wet, ripped or soiled clothing • Uniform or sports kits • Socks • Pillows • Duvets • Curtains • Books or CD's or bric-a-brac

STOP & THINK – *Would you pass it on to a friend to wear?* If not, it's not suitable to donate. Even one item makes a difference, and don't forget to ask your friends, grandparents and neighbours to join in!

CLASS FUNDRAISING – CHRISTMAS DESIGNS

We hate to bring up the subject of Christmas when we're just about to have another warm spell, but it's that time of year again!

Get your pens and colouring pencils at the ready and have your children's artwork on lots of exciting gifts for friends and family this Christmas! Class Fundraising have many products to choose from which we know will prove a big hit with loved ones this festive season.

Your child will bring home the form that must be used to create the pictures this week. These forms cannot be photocopied, if they are lost or damaged, please see reception for a replacement. Please see the advice poster below, setting out the do's and don'ts to ensure you get the best products from your child's art work. Unfortunately, any forms that do not adhere to these rules will not be processed by Class Fundraising.

Please note that the completed forms must be returned to **Reception (Infants or Juniors)** by **9am on Monday 5th October** when they will be sent off to Class Fundraising. Unfortunately, designs will not be accepted by Class Fundraising after this date.



TEACHER'S GUIDE

It's time to get creative!

But first, here is a guide to get the best results...

- 1** Provide each child with an artwork template, ask your fundraiser if you need more. DO NOT PHOTOCOPY.
- 2** Read through our handy tips so that you can guide the children on what they can and cannot do.
- 3** Have the children draw and create their artwork on the template. Check out the inspiration poster for ideas!
- 4** Make sure that each child's design has their full name & class name in block capital letters at the top of the template. This should be completed by a teacher.
- 5** Collect all the completed templates and pop them into the envelope. Then, fill out the details on the front and have them ready for your fundraiser to collect by your agreed collection date.

✓ PLEASE USE:

- ✓ *Felt tip pens*
- ✓ *Coloured pencils* (don't use fine liners to avoid false print)
- ✓ *Paints*
- ✓ *Wax Crayons*
- ✓ *Ink*

✗ DO NOT USE:

- ✗ *Metallic paper & stickers*
- ✗ *Glitter*
- ✗ *Fluorescent colours*
- ✗ *3D objects*
- ✗ *Photos printed on glossy paper*
- ✗ *Folds or creases*
- ✗ *Sellotape & staples*
- ✗ *White paint*
- ✗ *Paper collage*

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Writing too close to the edge...



Use firm pressure with coloured pencils



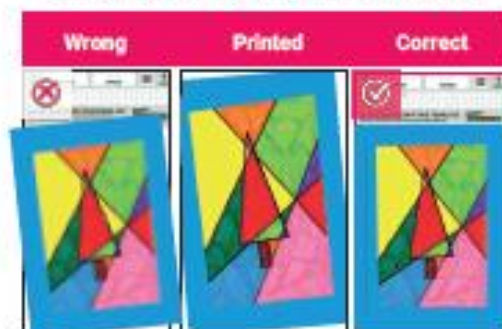
Make sure artwork is central...



Block colour designs should fill the space



Sticking artwork to the template



NEED HELP?

visit www.classfundraising.co.uk

Hire our party box!



If you're planning a party, let us help you!

We have a big box of resources to help you have the perfect party!

Avoid nasty disposables by hiring our box

that contains enough plates, bowls, cutlery and cups for over **55** people, plus some extra treats like selfie props and several different kinds of bunting.

If you'd like to hire the box, it costs just £5. You need to pay £30 to pick the box up, and then get £25 back when you return the box in good order. Please book via the infant office.



Greentrees Primary School

Diary Dates 2026-27

***NB Please note that some dates may be subject to alteration ***

Wednesday 23 rd September	Koalas 'start your day with a story' 8.15am
Wednesday 23 rd September	Welcome to Year 2 Talk (Details to follow)
Tuesday 29 th September	Welcome to Year 1 Talk (Details to follow)
Wednesday 30 th September	Pandas 'start your day with a story' 8.15am
Friday 2 nd October	SLT Coffee Morning (Infant Site) 8.45am – 9.30am
Monday 5 th October	Final day for Christmas fundraising pictures to be returned to school office (by 9am)
Monday 5 th October	Rags2Riches clothing donation collection – Infant and Junior sites
Wednesday 7 th October	Lemurs 'start your day with a story' 8.15am
Wednesday 7 th October	Individual & Sibling Photos
Friday 9 th October	Uniform sale at the Infants site 3-4pm
Wednesday 14 th October	Orangutans 'start your day with a story' 8.15am
Wednesday 14 th October	Parents' Consultations 1:30pm-7:30pm
Thursday 15 th October	House of Opportunity Christmas Box Appeal Assembly
Tuesday 20 th October	FS2 (Reception) Home Learning Talk (Details to follow)
22 nd October to 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 2 nd November	First day of Term 2
Wednesday 25 th November	Flu Immunisation
Monday 7 th December	Nativity Rehearsal
Tuesday 8 th December	Nativity Performances
Wednesday 9 th December	Nativity Performances
Friday 11 th December	KS2 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal (tbc)

Monday 14 th December	KS2 Christmas Production Performances (tbc)
Tuesday 15 th December	KS2 Christmas Production Performances (tbc)
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 18 th December	Christmas Pantomime
21 st December – 3 rd January	Christmas Holiday
Monday 4 th January	First day of Term 3
Friday 12 th February	TD Day – Children not in school
15 th – 21 st February	Half Term
Monday 22 nd February	First day of Term 4 TD Day – Children not in school
Thursday 4 th March	World Book Day
Friday 5 th March	SLT Coffee Morning (Infant Site) 8.45am – 9.30am
Wednesday 24 th March	Parents' Consultations 1:30pm - 7:30pm
26 th March – 11 th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 12 th April	First Day of Term 5
Wednesday 14 th April	Class Photos
14 th – 16 th April	Braeside - Year 5 Residential
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday - Children not in school
10 th – 13 th May	Key Stage 2 (Year 6) SATs
31 st May – 6 th June	Half Term
Monday 7 th June	First Day of Term 6 TD Day – Children not in school
7 th – 18 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)
Thursday 10 th June	Sports Day and Family Picnic Infants 9:30am followed by picnic at the Infant site Juniors 1:15pm
14 th – 18 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (PSC)
Friday 18 th June	SLT Coffee Morning (Infant Site) 8.45am – 9.30am
16 th – 18 th June	Osmington Bay - Year 6 Residential
Monday 28 th June	Year 2 Parent walk to Year 3 3:05pm
Tuesday 29 th June	Induction meeting for new parents 6:45pm
Friday 9 th July	Annual Reports sent home
Tuesday 13 th July	Report Meeting with teachers, if requested, by appointment - 3:20pm to 5:30pm
Wednesday 14 th July	Leavers' Assembly 1:30pm
Friday 16 th July	Last Celebration Assemblies
24 th July - 31 st August	Summer Holiday

Please see the following pages for leaflets and useful information.

Leaflets and Useful Information

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2027?

You must apply for a primary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 15 January 2027

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010** for more information or to request our guide to finding a primary school place in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Council

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2027?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 31 October 2026

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Salisbury Cathedral 'Be a chorister for a day'

We are now recruiting for our next generation of Cathedral Choristers. We are looking for children in years 3, 4 & 5 who enjoy music-making and who will benefit from an exceptional music education. Outside of musical ability, we look for outgoing and friendly young people who are great team players.

Coming up, we have our annual 'Be A Chorister For A Day' event. This year, it will be held on Saturday 4 October 2026. Children in years 2, 3 & 4 are welcome. This event is completely free and allows prospective choristers to gain an insight into what it is like to be a chorister at Salisbury Cathedral. The day ends with a special Evensong, led by the Cathedral's Director of Music, David Halls, and performed by all the visiting children with the choristers.

Following BACFAD we run 'voice trials' for prospective choristers at the beginning of the new year. Our 2027 dates are as follows:

Boys' Voice Trials: Saturday 23rd January 2027 (for boys in Year 3, 4 & 5)

Girls' Voice Trials: Saturday 30th January 2027 (girls in Year 3, 4 & 5)

For more information about 'Be A Chorister For A Day' or Voice Trials please visit: [Choir Recruitment - Salisbury Cathedral](#)

KIMPTON HOLIDAY CAMP



**Kimpton, Thruxton & Fyfield School, Kimpton
SP11 8NT**

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Breakfast Club: 08:00 - 09:00
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Community Learning

Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions



Online Course

Supporting My Teen with Anxiety

Friday 18 September 10:00 - 12:00



Book by
11 September
2026

- Understand the challenges teens face and how anxiety affects them
- Learn practical ways to boost your teen's emotional wellbeing at home
- Discover strategies to help your teen manage anxiety in everyday life

For bookings scan the QR code or contact: 01225 770478
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk
<https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/>



Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years, have a Wiltshire postcode, and meet residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick **one** of the following criteria: individual income less than £26,800 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee or asylum seeker status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to work, now or in the future.

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Online Course

Understanding School Anxiety

Early Signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance

Two Dates Available:

Monday 12 October 10:00-12:00

Thursday 26 November 10:00-12:00

Booking
closes 7
days before
course start
date



- What is Emotionally Based School Avoidance?
- Strategies to support with school based anxiety and worry
- Practical ways to support school attendance
- Educational Psychologist available to answer questions

For bookings and enquiries: scan the QR code,
call the FaCL team on 01225 770478 or contact
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk

Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years old on 31 August. They must have a Wiltshire postcode and meet certain residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick one of the following criteria: individual income less than £26,750 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to go into work, now or in the future.

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Family and Community Learning Courses September - November 2026

Family Skills

Course	Date	Day	Time	Sessions	Location
Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry	17/09/2026	Thursday	10:00-12:00	1	Online
Supporting My Teen with Anxiety	18/09/2026	Friday	10:00-12:00	1	Online
Understanding School Anxiety: the early signs of EBSA	12/10/2026	Monday	10:00-12:00	1	Online
Understanding School Anxiety: the early signs of EBSA	26/11/2026	Thursday	10:00-12:00	1	Online

Adult Skills and Wellbeing

Course	Date	Day	Time	Sessions	Location
Communication for Work	04/09/2026	Thursday	13:00-15:30	1	Trowbridge Museum
Grow Your Community <i>Welcome Meeting 9/09/26</i>	16/09/2026	Wednesday	13:00-15:00	10	Studley Green Community Centre
Resilience and Readiness <i>Welcome Meeting 14/09/26</i>	21/09/2026	Monday	10:00-14:30	12	Trowbridge Town Hall/Museum AND online
Achieve Programme <i>Welcome Meeting 17/09/26 or 24/09/26</i>	01/10/2026	Thursday	10:00-15:00	12	Salisbury St Pauls Church Centre Hub Room

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Course	Date	Day	Time	Sessions	Location
Boost your English <i>Welcome Meeting 3/09/26 or 8/09/26</i>	10/09/2026	Thursday	10:00-12:00	10	Online
Developing English Skills <i>Welcome Meeting 07/09/26</i>	14/09/2026	Monday	10:30-12:30	10	St Andrew's Hall Tidworth
Developing English Skills <i>Welcome Meeting 07/09/26</i>	14/09/2026	Monday	11:00-13:00	10	Bemeriton Heath Community Centre Salisbury
New to English <i>Welcome Meeting 07/09/26</i>	14/09/2026	Monday	12:30-14:30	10	Chippenham Community Hub
New to English <i>Welcome Meeting 09/09/26</i>	16/09/2026	Wednesday	12:30-14:30	10	Trowbridge Town Hall
New to English <i>Welcome Meeting 10/09/26</i>	17/09/2026	Thursday	10:00-12:00	10	Warminster Baptist Church



Information

Enrolments for online courses must be completed at least seven days before a course starts. We will contact new learners to discuss the course, confirm a place, and book an online or face to face Welcome meeting. The Welcome meeting introduces the Family and Community Learning service and the itslearning platform.

If you want to check where a face-to-face course is running, please call us to get further information.

Please check our website for more courses running soon <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/events/>

Get in touch to find out more or to sign up

If you're interested in joining a course – or know someone who might benefit – please contact the Family and Community Learning Team.

Call: 01225 770478

Email: familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk

Visit: <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/>

We're happy to answer any questions and help you get started.

To apply for a course, please contact the FACL Team or scan the QR code:



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- Be a care leaver
- Be part of a military family or be ex-armed forces personnel
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