

Greentrees Primary School

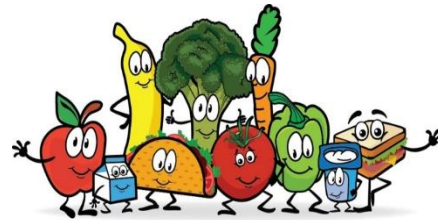
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Newsletter – Friday 2nd October 2026

Lunches

Lunches next week will be **Week 2** Spring / Summer menu.



Parent Consultations Autumn 2026

Parent consultations will take place on **Wednesday 14th October**.

Please note - consultations for **Panther's class** will take place on **Tuesday 13th October**.

For mainstream pupils, appointments will last 10 minutes and are available from 1.30pm to 7.20pm.

For resource base pupils, appointments last 15 minutes and are available from 3.30pm to 5.30pm.

Appointments are available to book through the Arbor Parent Portal until midday on Monday 12th October.

Please do remember to allow time to travel between sites, if necessary, when booking.

Mrs Helen Cole

It is with very heavy hearts that we share the news with you that Mrs Cole will be leaving Greentrees at Christmas.

Having been part of the Greentrees team for more than 20 years and our SENDCo / Inclusion Manager for 12 of those years, Mrs Cole has decided that now is the right time to embark on a new challenge. Mrs Cole will be working for the Local Authority as a Social Inclusion Advisory Teacher (SIAT), supporting schools across Wiltshire to improve inclusive provision. This is an excellent opportunity and while we are, of course, desperately sorry to see her leave, we wish Mrs Cole every success in her new role.

We intend to make the very most of the coming weeks, while we still have Mrs Cole with us, to show our sincerest appreciation for the extraordinary contribution that she has made to the school, touching the lives of so many of our pupils and their families.

Meanwhile, the process has already begun in our search to find someone with the necessary expertise to fill the very big shoes that Mrs Cole will leave behind. The Inclusion Manager role at Greentrees represents an excellent opportunity for career development and we are confident that it will attract candidates of the highest calibre.

SLT Coffee Morning

Thank you to all those who were able to join the school's Senior Leadership Team at our coffee morning today. We hope that you found the information about school attendance useful. Our next coffee morning will be held on Friday 5th March 2027.

Sporting news

On Tuesday of this week, our Year 6 Boys football team attended a School Games Competition at Pembroke Park Primary School. The team competed superbly and were commended for the way in which they organised themselves throughout the day. The boys finished as Runners-Up in the Large Schools event and were presented with their medals and certificates in today's assembly.



A huge well done to Nathanael who was awarded an additional certificate for demonstrating high levels of Honesty. Thank you to Miss Butcher who accompanied the children to the event and supported them wonderfully.



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 more weeks they achieve this, the more chance they will have of winning. The winner will be drawn during assembly on Mondays.

Happy reading!



Congratulations to this week's winners who are:

Infants

No winner this week

Juniors

Dexter – Impalas 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.

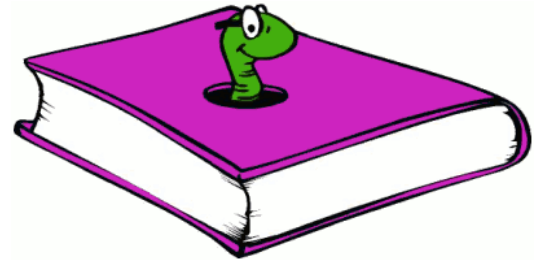
23rd Sept Koalas

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.

Cycle to School Week

Get ready to pedal! **Cycle to School Week** runs from **Monday 5 to Friday 9 October 2026**, and we would love for our families to join in the fun. Swapping the car for a bike or scooter is a fantastic way to boost your child's morning energy, save on travel costs, and keep the air around our school gates clean and safe.



You do not have to commit to every single day—even joining in for just one journey makes a huge difference. Before you set off, please do a quick safety check of your equipment and ensure everyone is wearing a well-fitted helmet.



You can learn more and log your family's official pledge by visiting the Bikeability Website: <https://www.bikeability.org.uk/cycletoschoolweek/>

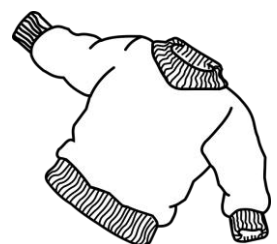
Free jumper swap event – Wednesday 14th October

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>



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 has brought home the form that must be used to create the pictures. These forms cannot be photocopied, if they are lost or damaged, please see reception for a replacement. **Please see the advice poster in**

previous newsletters 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.

Further instructions of how to order your gifts will be sent out separately when the artwork has been sent to Class Fundraising.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Our next Committee meeting will take place on **Wednesday 7 October at 6pm at the Infant site** to plan and discuss our upcoming events. We'd love to see as many parents and carers as possible—your ideas and support make all the difference. Please come along and get involved.

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.

PAULTONS PARK RAFFLE

Win £200 of Paultons Park vouchers in time for the October half term and Halloween! Tickets are £5 each and there is no limit to the number of tickets you can purchase. Ticket sales close at 6pm on **Tuesday 20 October** with the lucky winner drawn at 7pm.

Scan the QR on the poster or click on the link below to buy tickets. Please feel free to share with family and friends to raise some money for FROGS.

Good luck! <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/paultons-park-raffle-autumn-2026>



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 ***

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
Wednesday 7 th October	FrOGs committee meeting 6pm Infants site
Friday 9 th October	Uniform sale at the Infants site 3-4pm
Tuesday 13 th October	Parents' consultations for Panther's Class only
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.

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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

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 secondary school place in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Council



LEGOFEST 2026

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026

STILL ONLY £2 ENTRY!
UNDER 5s FREE

BIGGER DISPLAY AREA FOR 2026!

10:30AM – 4:00PM
WINTERBOURNE GLEBE HALL

A FANTASTIC FAMILY DAY OUT!

AMAZING LEGO® DISPLAYS • ACTIVITIES • REFRESHMENTS • FUN FOR ALL AGES!

ALL AGE HARVEST SERVICES AT ST MARK'S AND ST ANDREW'S – Sunday 4th October

In Laverstock at St Andrew's Church is the 10.30 All Age service.

At St Mark's Church on the roundabout is the 10am All Age Service.

Everyone is welcome, we will be collecting donated food items for the Foodbank. A list of items they are currently short of is here: [Donate food - Salisbury Foodbank](#)



FREE TASTER SESSION

STAGECOACH PERFORMING ARTS
SALISBURY & AMESBURY
8th, 9th, 10th OCTOBER

CLASSES HELD ON THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS
IN AMESBURY & SALISBURY

4-18 YEARS

BOOK NOW

SCAN THE QR CODE
FOR MORE INFO

Places are limited; please book in advance [Enrol Here](#)

district sports
Bloom
Play Move Discover
— SENSORY SESSIONS —

An inclusive play session designed for SEN children and their families

When?

- Sunday 11th October
10:00am – 11:30am
12:00pm – 13:30pm
- Sunday 15th November
10:00am – 11:30am
12:00pm – 13:30pm
- Sunday 13th December
10:00am – 11:30am
12:00pm – 13:30pm

Where?

Hampton Park Pavilion
Ash Crescent
Bishopdown Farm
Salisbury, SP1 3GY

Prices?

£6.50 for the first child
£4 for each sibling

Scan here to book

What's included?

- Trampolines
- Craft area
- Lots of sensory play
- Reading corner
- Swivel chairs
- Balance boards
- Sensory steps
- Giant Lego

Builds fine and gross motor skills
Supports focus and attention
Encourages self-regulation
Boosts confidence and wellbeing
Makes learning fun!

district sports
HALLOWEEN SPORTS CAMP

TUES 20TH OCT | THURS 22ND OCT
TUES 27TH OCT | THURS 29TH OCT

GREAT SPORTS
FUN GAMES
TEAM CHALLENGES
MAKE NEW FRIENDS

DATES:
TUES 20TH OCT
THURS 22ND OCT
TUES 27TH OCT
THURS 29TH OCT

TIMINGS:
9AM – 3PM

LOCATION:
Alderbury and West Grimstead
Primary School
SP5 3BD

FOR MORE INFORMATION / TO BOOK:
admin@districtsportssouth.com 07858 904422

Braeside Education Centre

October Half Term Activity Days! £45 per day

Adventure - Challenge - Fun
For ages: 8 – 12 years
(Siblings up to 14 years)

Drop Off - 8:30am – 9:00am
Pick Up - 4:30pm – 5:00pm

Thursday 22nd –
Climbing Wall,
Zip – Wire,
Archery,
Life-line

Monday 26th –
Climbing Wall,
Zip – Wire,
Abseiling,
Team Building

Tuesday 27th –
Canoeing
Themed Biscuit Decorating
High Ropes

Please book online by visiting
www.braeside-education.co.uk/holiday-club

Contact us for more details;
01380 722637
info@braeside-education.co.uk

Braeside Education Centre

Activities will run in groups, in rotation, throughout the day.

Disability Interest Group

Trustees Needed

THE RED CORD CAMPAIGN
This emergency pull cord was tied up. It has been untied so that a disabled person can reach it from the floor in an emergency.
Please keep it untied reaching the floor. It could save a life.

DIG
Disability Interest Group
DROP IN
The Bowman Centre
1st Monday of the Month
1pm-3pm

We are looking for someone with experience within a charity setting, who is focused, can be relied on, trustworthy and a passion to help disabled people to join us as we make our way through to CIO status

- Drop ins
- Educational Campaigns
- Working with others to become inclusive

info@Disabilityinterestgroup.com

October Half Term Activity



PlayLab: What will you create?

Tuesday 27 Oct | 10am - 4pm | Salisbury Arts Centre

£40 (or £50 for 9am - 5pm) | Ages 7 - 11

We will use props, pictures and sound effects to create our own spooky stories.

[Click here to book](#)

Or email takepart@wiltshirecreative.co.uk

**TAKE PART
AT SALISBURY
ARTS CENTRE**

**WILTSHIRE
CREATIVE**

Children and Families



Stage 65: Group 1 (Years 2-3)

Mondays 4:15pm - 5:15pm | Salisbury Arts Centre

£85 per 10 week (bursaries available) | Ages 6-8

We have a few spaces in our youngest youth theatre group. Why not book in for a free taster?

[Click here to find out more](#)

Or email takepart@wiltshirecreative.co.uk

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ARTS CENTRE**

**WILTSHIRE
CREATIVE**

Children and Families



Beatrix Potter's The Tailor of Gloucester

Mondays 7th - Sunday 27th Dec | All Ages

Salisbury Playhouse, Salberg Studio

Join us for an interactive, magical musical show for young children and families this Christmas

To book go to: www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/whats-on

**WILTSHIRE
CREATIVE**

Beyond Dementia

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING

Join us for festive craft stalls, delicious refreshments and a special visit from Santa!

Thursday 26th November
7pm - 9.30pm
Free Admission

Salisbury Rugby Club,
Stewards Bungalow, Castle Road,
Salisbury SP1 3SA

<https://www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/events/playlab-what-will-you-create-2>

<https://www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/take-part/young-people/stage-65>

<https://www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/events/the-tailor-of-gloucester>

Community Learning



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 £25,750 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 3/09/26</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	Bemerton 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:



Courses are free for learners who meet our eligibility criteria

You must be aged 19 years old or over on 31 August 2025, live at a Wiltshire postcode and meet residency requirements.

In addition, you need to meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Individual income less than £26,800 per year
- In receipt of benefits (excluding child benefit)
- Be a foster carer or carer
- Be a care leaver
- Be part of a military family or be ex-armed forces personnel
- Have refugee or asylum seeker status
- Have a learning difficulty or disability
- Be looking to move into work, now or in the future