

# Greenvale Primary School Newsletter

Summer Term 5, Week 5

Friday 21st May 2021

Parent Copy

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to say that we had a fantastic 90% response to our parent phone calls! The staff want to say thank you for your lovely supportive comments about the school as well.

As we are now in 'Step 3' of coming out of lockdown, I wanted to let you know of any changes that might effect education or schools. In terms of Greenvale, nothing has of yet changed, we still have to complete enhanced cleaning, keep in bubbles to reduce the risk of transmission, visitors still have to wear masks and only one parent at a time in the school office area. Please also remember that our 'one way' in and out is still in place as is the amount of people at anyone time on the school site, which should be kept to one person per child if possible. As soon as there are any changes, we will of course let you know.

Currently, as so many things are still unknown with regards to COVID and the school site, we will sadly not be able to hold sports days this year. It takes a lot of preparation and organisation with our outside sports company we use and therefore we do not want to cancel it at the last minute. However, as this is the last year at Greenvale for our year 2 children, we want to do something special for them. So we have arranged a 'fun day' of sports for year 2 before they leave us to move to their new junior school. This will be at some point next term but unfortunately, we will not be able to have parents. This will also mean no end of term play either for the year 2 children, as we do not have the capacity in the hall to accommodate everyone according to the regulations. We will of course make sure that the Year 2's have a fantastic last term with lots of fun activities especially for them!

Teachers are really pleased to see so many of you making the use of Reading Eggs and Mathseeds and the children earning lots of rewards! Keep it up as the children have told us how much they enjoy it!

From Term 6, we are allowing the children to once again bring in birthday treats for their class. However, these must be in a sealed bag with individual packets, again due to COVID this is the safest way we could think to make it work. Thank for your understanding with this over the last few terms. This also means that at the end of the summer term, children can bring in presents and cards for their teachers if they wish to do so, but again if anything changes with COVID, I will let you know as soon as possible.

Finally, thank you for being patient with us and the changes we are and will have to make often at the last minute due to the Pandemic.

Stay safe and enjoy the weekend

**Mrs Allnutt**

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 5 & 6

### MAY

**Fri 28th**—World Elmer Day

**Fri 28th**—Last day of term

**Mon 31st**—Bank holiday and start of half term break

### JUNE

**Tues 1st—Fri 4th** - Half term break

**Mon 7th**— Staff training day. No children

**Tues 8th**— Term 6, children return

**Fri 18th**— Class Photos

### JULY

**Mon 5th July**—Have a Rainbow Day (Details to follow)

**Fri 23rd**—Last day of term



A further list of dates can be found on our school website: [www.greenvale.medway.sch.uk](http://www.greenvale.medway.sch.uk)

### Electric Scooters (e-scooters)

Kent Police have contacted all the local schools regarding the increasing number of people who now own e-scooters. Was you aware that they are classed as 'Personal Light Electric Vehicles', which means they are classed as a motor vehicle. Which means to own one you must have the following:

Driving licence. Insurance. Number plates.  
Lighting. Brakes. Type approval. Road tax. Crash helmets.

Without these, e-scooters cannot be used legally on the road. In no circumstances is it legal to use them on the pavement.

### ENTERING & LEAVING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

#### **Stage 3—17th May 2021**

Reminder to stay vigilant as Covid-19 is still present in society.

Where possible, only 1 parent/carer per child on the school grounds to reduce the risk of transmission.

Please remember you can wear a mask if you wish when walking around the school site but a mask must be worn to enter the school office.

Please speak to us if you have any concerns.