****Greenrigg Primary School Newsletter**

**September 2017**

We were delighted to welcome parents to our Open Evening – thank you very much for your feedback. Thank you, too, for coming along to the Rookie Rockstars Show – the children had a great night!!!

**Parental Engagement opportunities**

Would you like to share your skills and talents with the children; get to know us better; find out what your child gets up to during the school day - in order to further develop home/school links we would like to invite parents to work alongside us in school.

We are looking for parents who would be willing (and able)

* To commit to coming in to help at one (or more) Smart Starts per week. Smart Starts run from 8.45 – 9.05 each day Monday – Thursday
* Who may be interested in helping in class on a regular basis
* Who may be interested in joining one of our Pupil Voice Groups – experience of particular areas would be great but we would be delighted to welcome people who are keen to support and work with our youngsters in their groups. (Rights Respecting Schools, Pupil Council, Eco Group, Health and Sport Group, Junior Road Safety Group, Gardening Group, Mini Medics, Communication Group) *(Pupil Voice Group dates – 2 – 3pm on 4th October, 25th October, 8th November, 22nd November, 6th December, 17th January, 31st January, 14th February, 14th March, 18th April, 2nd May, 16th May, 30th May – NB Parents do NOT have to commit to attending every meeting)*
* Who may be interested in sharing particular skills/talents as a one off or at an assembly
* Who would be interested in helping out on excursions or special events

If you (or someone you know) is interested in supporting in the school in some way, come along to one of the Child Protection training sessions which are available over the next two weeks, chat with staff about what you would be interested in doing and we can get the ball rolling.

All Parent Helpers are required to have a Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) – if you do not have one for our school already we can provide paper work and will submit the application for you. You will also be required to take part in induction training (Child Protection, Confidentiality, Health and Safety)

**After School Clubs**

Monday 3.15 – 4.15 P5 – 7 Drama with Miss Loughton

Monday 12.30 – 1.00 P1 – 3 Football

Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15 P5 – 7 Netball with Mrs Irvine

Wednesday 3.15 – 4.15 Football with Miss Benson

Friday 12.25 – 1.25 (P1 – 6) Judo with Destination Judo - Marv

**September**

27th Tempest Photographers in all day (individuals and families)

28th 6:30pm Child Protection Training for interested parents/carers/community members at Greenrigg

29th 9am Child Protection Training for interested parents/carers/community members at Greenrigg

29th Dress Down Day

29th P4s to swimming 1/3

**October**

2nd Assembly 2pm led by P5/4 parents welcome to join us

2nd Parent Council & PTA Meeting 6.30pm – 8.30pm

3rd P1 Children and Parents, Learning Together 8.45 – 9.30 in the P1 classroom

4th Pupil Voice Groups P2 – 7

5th 2pm and 6.30pm Child Protection Training for interested parents/carers/community members at Stoneyburn

6th P4s to Swimming (2/3)

10th Parents Evening (Details to follow)

13th Harvest Assembly 10am at Benhar Evangelical Church, Covenanter Road, Harthill – parents invited to join us

13th No Judo

16th – 20th Holiday

23rd INSET Day

25th Pupil Voice Groups P2 – 7

26th PTA Halloween Disco P1 -4 6 – 7pm, P4 – 7 7.15 – 8.15pm NB P4s can choose which disco to attend

27th Dress Down Day

27th 2 x Junior Road Safety Officers and Miss Benson to training at Balbardie Primary School

**November**

7th Transition Day with Stoneyburn Primary School (details to follow)

8th 2pm Assembly Pupil Voice Groups sharing and Armistice led by P4/3

17th Flu vaccinations

21st Challenging and Supporting the Learning event for parents 1.30 – 3.00

21st Parent Council & PTA 6.30pm – 8.30pm

22nd Pupil Voice Groups P2 – 7

24th 9am Assembly led by P2 Parents invited to join us

24th Dress Down Day

**December**

4th 2pm Assembly led by P6/5 – parents invited to join us

5th P1s and Parents Learning Together 8.45 – 9.30

6th Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

6th Parent Council & PTA 6.30pm – 8.30pm

8th NO JUDO

11th Christmas Workshops for classes led by Benhar Church

14th Christmas Lunch

15th Christmas Jumper Day (for Jak’s Den) Christmas Jumpers can then be worn until Christmas (if you like!!)

18th 1 – 3pm P1 and P2 Christmas Party

19th 1 – 3pm P3 and P4 Christmas Party

20th 1 – 3pm P5 and P6 and P7 Christmas Party

21st 10am Christmas Service at St Andrew’s Church, Eastfield led by P7 – Parents welcome to join us

Monday 25th December – Friday 5th January – HOLIDAYS

**January**

8th INSET Day

11th Parent Council & PTA Meeting 6.30pm – 8.30pm

12th 9am Assembly – parents welcome to join us

16th Transition Day 2 with Stoneyburn

17th Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

26th Dress Down Day

29th 2.00 Assembly led by P1 – Parents welcome to join us

31st Pupil Voice Group P2 - 7

**February**

5th Parent Council & PTA Meeting 6.30pm – 8.30pm

6th P1s and Parents Learning Together 8.45 – 9.30

HOLIDAY Monday 12th and 13th

14th Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

23rd 9am Assembly led by P6/5 – Parents welcome to join us

23rd Dress Down Day

27th Transition Day 3 with Stoneyburn

28th Parents Evening

**March**

5th – 9th March – Book Week

6th 8.45 – 9.30 P1 children and parents Learning Together, in P1 classroom

9th 9am Assembly – Parents invited to join us

12th – 16th March – British Science Week

14th Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

14th Parent Council & PTA 6.30pm – 8.30pm

15th STEM Open Morning 9am – 10.30am – all parents welcome

16th- 18th March P5s to Dalguise

19th – 23rd March P7s to Lockerbie Manor

21st Easter Service at St Andrew’s Parish Church, Eastfield led by P5/4 10am – Parents invited to join us

23rd Dress Down Day

Monday 26th March – Friday 6th April - Holidays

**April**

11th – 12th April P4s to Low Port

18th Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

27th 9am Assembly led by P4/3 – Parents welcome to join us

27th Dress Down Day

**May**

1st P1 pupils and parents Learning Together 8.45 – 9.30, in P1 classroom

2nd Pupil Voice Groups P2 - 7

7th Holiday

8th INSET Day

15th Transition Day 4 with Stoneyburn

16th Pupil Voice Groups (P2 – 7)

16th Parent Council & PTA 6.30pm – 8.30pm

18th Assembly led by P1 – parents welcome to join us

21st Holiday

30th Assembly 2pm Pupil Voice Groups sharing

**June**

4th – 8th June Health Week

6th Sports Day

8th 9am Sports Awards Assembly

18th 1.15pm Celebration Assembly

25th Nursery Graduation 2pm

27th 9am Leavers Assembly

29th School closes for Summer holidays

**Please note that information regarding dates is subject to change**

**Communication**

There are a number of ways to keep up to date with what is happening in school. ….

Newsletter

Email wlsgreenrigg-ps@westlothian.org.uk

Twitter @greenriggps

Contacting Mrs Millar at the school office – either by phone or in person

Group call text – for updated messages

Phone call 01501 751334

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