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Dear Parents and Carers,

Don't get over excited it is not Friday yet... I just wanted to share a few reminders in one email, including tomorrow's non-uniform event:

Non-Uniform Day

Tomorrow, Friday 24th November is a non-uniform day in exchange for sweets (Christmas Fair Prizes)

Mobile Phones

This week we have had to deal with a number of incidents with children bringing mobile phones into school.

We only allow Year 6 children to bring their phones into school if they are walking to school alone or walking home alone and they need to have them in case of an emergency. The phone needs to be switched off completely before entering the playground and not turned back on until out of the playground at the end of the day. All phones must be handed in at the beginning of the school day and will be kept in the school office during the day.

Any mobile phones that are brought to school are entirely at the owner's risk. The school accepts no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones. If a child misuses their phone, the school will withdraw permission for them to bring it

Children in other year groups should not be bringing phones in. Parents in Year 6 will have completed permission for their child to walk home alone at the start of the academic year.

Snack

Currently the Government fund one piece of fruit/veg for children in F2, Year 1 and Year 2 to have at break time.

Children in Key Stage 2 (years 3, 4, 5, 6) are welcome to bring in their own healthy snack (not crisps, biscuit bars, chocolate) for break time.

End of day - Playground Equipment

When collecting children from school please do not allow them on the Trim Trail, in the cage, trees etc.. Once collected, please leave the playground swiftly to help clear space and prevent any accidents while the playground is very busy.

Thank you for your cooperation with all of the above.

Countdown to Christmas!

December is approaching fast and we have an exciting calendar of events planned to spread some Christmas cheer and make the festive period as special as possible for the children.

FOG Christmas Fair Friday 8th December 3:30pm-5pm

Not long to go now, we look forward to seeing you there! Follow the FOG group on Facebook to get a flavour of the event.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofgreenleas/?ref=sharehttps://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofgreenleas/?ref=share&exp=8ce3>

Christmas Nativity F2 and KS1

Christmas performances by children are always very special events and a staple of a school Christmas. The scripts are ready and the children are rehearsing!

F2's performance is on Tuesday 12th December at 9am. No tickets are required but a maximum of 2 adults per child are invited to attend.

KS1 has two performances on Friday 15th December, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. This is a ticketed event and these are being distributed from the Department based on your requests.

Further information will be sent out to the relevant parents, where needed.

PJ Movie Night

FOG have planned this fundraiser for after school on Monday 18th December 2023. Further information will be provided nearer the time.

Whole School Christmas Service

One of the highlights of Christmas at Greenleas is the walk up to St Nicholas Church for our annual whole school Christmas Service. This year we will all venture up to church on the morning of Tuesday 19th December. Children should wear school uniform on this day.

Rudolph Run and Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday 20th December 2023, the children will take part in a charity Rudolph Run in aid of Wirral St John's Hospice. The children will receive a pair of reindeer antlers to wear whilst completing their run. All proceeds raised will be donated to this local charity.

After a good run the children will be ready for a hearty meal. Christmas dinner is booked in for after the event. Please order on ParentPay by the deadline to ensure that a meal is ordered for your child.

On this day, children can wear a Christmas jumper with their own trousers/skirts (and sensible shoes). If your child doesn't have a festive sweater already, just dig out a plain jumper and decorate it with some tinsel, baubles or homemade snowflakes. Please don't go to any expense!

Party Afternoon

We will celebrate the end of this term with class parties on Thursday 21st December. Children can come to school in party clothes, though please remember they will still be playing out so something warm and suitable for playtimes.

During w/c 11.12.23 we will be sending your child home with a party food bag. Please provide your child with no more than 2 small snacks (such as crisps and a biscuit or cake) and a drink for the party. They will not require much as the party is after lunchtime so they should still be quite full. Party bags are to be returned only on party day – Thursday 21st December.

Pantomime

For a festive treat the children will get the opportunity to join in with the classic panto antics of Cinderella on the last day of term, Friday 22nd December. This Christmas treat has been funded by FOG. On this day, children can again wear their Christmas jumper with their own trousers/skirts (and sensible shoes). If your child doesn't have a festive sweater already, just dig out a plain jumper and decorate it with some tinsel, baubles or homemade snowflakes. Please don't go to any expense!

Staffing Updates

Vacancy: We are currently looking for a School Business Manager. This is a vital role to support the safe, smooth and successful running of a school and we need to fill this vacancy as soon as possible. If you know anyone who is reliable, dedicated and would be a great asset to our Greenleas 'family' please share the link with them. Thank you.

https://ats-wirralschools.jpg.co.uk/vacancies/259347?ga_client_id=dd1ab21d-6db2-4aad-a6dc-f42b54776884&type=list

Diary Dates

24.11.23 Non-uniform Day in exchange for sweets (Christmas Fair prizes)

24.11.23 FOG meeting at 4:30pm in school- final Christmas Fair prep meeting

08.12.23 Non-uniform Day in exchange for a bottle (wine, spirits, bubble bath, shower gel...ketchup! etc.)

08.12.23 FOG Christmas Fair 3:30pm

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8.12.23	Non-uniform Day in exchange for a bottle (wine, spirits, bubble bath, shower gel...ketchup! etc.)
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12.12.23	9:15am F2 Christmas Performance
15.12.23	9:15am KS1 Nativity and 2pm
19.12.23	St Nicholas Service for children
20.12.23	Whole School Reindeer Run
20.12.23	School Christmas Dinner
21.12.23	Party Afternoon
22.12.23	Am Cinderella Panto End of Term 3:15pm

General Reminders

- Keep personal belongings brought into school to a minimum. We do not have the space for children to be bringing in rucksacks.
- Bring a labelled water bottle daily (no juice please).
- Please ensure all clothing is labelled so that misplaced items can be returned to their owner.
- Please check Arbor, ParentPay and the website frequently for important updates.
- Registration is at 8:55am, children can arrive between 8:45am and 8:55am.
- Street Schools is in operation between 8:30am-9:30am and 2:30pm – 3:30pm. Restricted access in Greenleas Close during these times.
- If your child rides their bike to school, can you please remind them about road safety and being aware of pedestrians on the pavement. Some of our older children, are quite fast on their bikes and there have been a few near misses with pedestrians.

Warmest wishes
Sharon Edwards
Headteacher