



Week Ending:  
Friday 27th January 2023  @Green\_MeadowPS

Dear Parents,

As you will be aware from the letter we sent home yesterday, school will be partially closed on Wednesday, 1st February following confirmation from the NEU that members of the union intend to strike on that day. School will be open for all pupils in Year 6 but closed for all other year groups. Remote learning will be made available for all children in Reception to Year 5 and we will send further details about how to access this on Monday.

The topics are now in full swing and yesterday, we had a MAT curriculum review from the Deputy CEO of Excelsior and Curriculum lead who both said what a privilege it was to be in lessons at Green Meadow. They highlighted how exciting the curriculum at school is and how well the teachers make learning exciting and engage children in their learning. They were really impressed by the beautiful presentation they saw in the books that they looked at. A highlight of their day was speaking with the children. Their oracy skills shone through and they were able to talk in depth about how their current learning builds on previous learning. This is something we are all very proud of and a great example of one of our MAT cornerstones, 'Engaging Learning: unlocking minds every day'.

On Wednesday, the children in Year 4 took part in a fabulous history workshop about the Greeks. They did a shield drill, tried on replica Greek armour and took part in a re-enactment of the Trojan War on the Key Stage 2 playground. You may even have heard their battle cries if you live near school!

Wednesday also saw our largest ever choir take part in the Young Voices Concert at Resorts World Arena. There were almost 7000 children there in total raising the roof and having the time of their lives taking part in this special event. It will be something we will all remember forever. Thank you to Miss Bonner and Mrs Smith for leading choir this year and thanks too to Mrs Cross, Mrs White and Mr Brooks (if you see him, please ask him to show you his amazing dance moves!) for making this all possible and for surviving Thursday on very little sleep!

Have a great weekend.  
Miss Arrowsmith

### **NO OUTSIDERS OPEN LESSONS**

Throughout the Spring Term, we are very excited to invite parents to No Outsiders open lessons so that you can work with your child as they learn about diversity, difference and British Values in school.

The lessons will be taught by Mr Moffat and your child's class teacher and will involve a story, lots of discussion with your child followed by an art activity. They will take place in the hall and last for about half an hour. The No Outsiders open lessons are always enjoyable and we love to have parents come along to take part.

Reception open lessons - Thursday, 2nd February

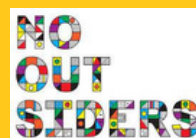
Year 2 open lesson - Monday 27th March

Year 1 open lessons - Monday, 6th February

Year 3 open lessons - Friday, 3rd March

Year 4 open lessons - Friday, 10th March

Year 5 and Year 6 open lessons TBC.



Please look out for individual class invites over the coming weeks.  
Thanks for your support.

## **Diary Dates**

**January /**

**February 2023**

**Monday 30th**

**Afterschool Clubs:**

Multiskills & Games -  
Reception

Coding - Year 1

Touch Typing - Years 5 & 6

**Tuesday 31st**

**Year 1 Outdoor Learning  
Kit Needed**

Basketball - Years 5 & 6

Coding & Digital Skills -  
Year 4

Football - Years 2 & 3

Book Club - Year 1

**Years 2 & 4 PE Kit Needed**

**Wednesday 1st**

**SCHOOL PARTIALLY**

**CLOSED TO ALL**

**YEAR GROUPS**

**EXCEPT YEAR 6 DUE**

**TO STRIKE ACTION.**

**Thursday 2nd**

**Afterschool Clubs:**

Invasion Games - Years 1 & 2

**Years 5 & Reception PE Kit  
Needed**

**Friday 3rd**

**Afterschool Clubs:**

Handball - Years 3 & 4

**Year 6 & 3 PE Kit Needed**



# OUTDOOR PLAY

# AND LEARNING



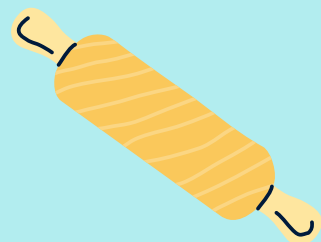
To start off our OPAL outdoor play and learning project we are collecting items for a messy cafe.

We would be very grateful of any donations of the following items:

Pots, pans, cake tins / trays, baking trays, cooking utensils, e.g. wooden spoons, cups metal tea pots, jugs, and anything that could be used in cooking role play.

Please drop off any items you have at school inside the bike shed in the KS2 playground when you drop off or collect your child.

Thank you for your support.

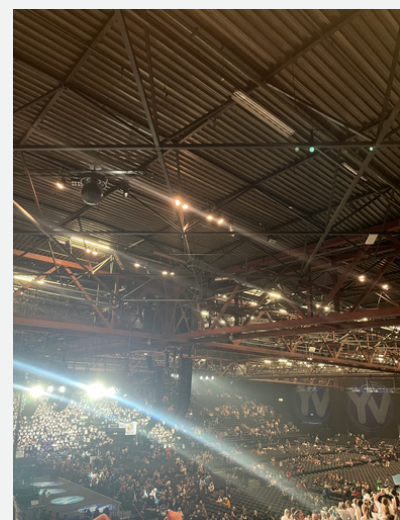
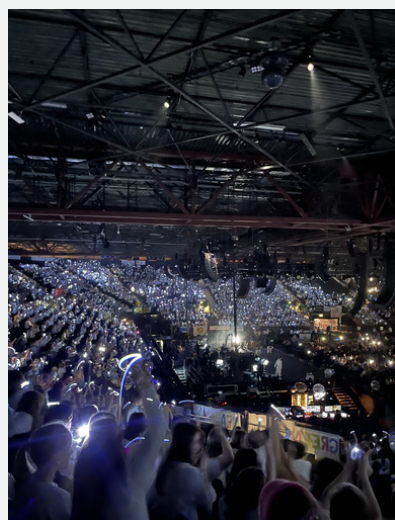




## **Young Voices Concert**

**Wednesday 25th January 2023**

The staff and children had an amazing time at the Young Voices concert on Wednesday. The Children were fabulous and a credit to Green Meadow, the months and months of practice certainly shone through. We are incredibly proud of the children and their exemplary behaviour and positive attitudes throughout the whole Young Voices journey. Well done to all who took part.







# CHANGE OF DATES



School will now be open for the second half of the Spring Term on Monday, 27th February, a day earlier than the previously published date as the planned staff training day has been postponed because of next week's strike action. We apologise for any inconvenience which may have been caused by this change.

February Half Term - we break up for the half term holiday at 3.20pm on Friday, 17th February and children return to school at 8.35am on Monday, 27th February.



## Updates to School Policy



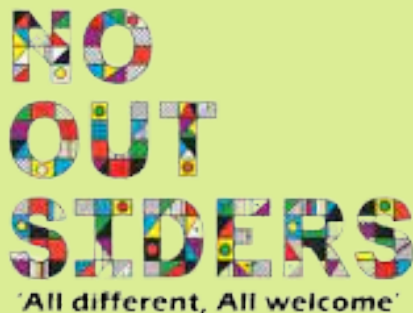
Please see our website

[www.greenmeadow.excelsiormat.org](http://www.greenmeadow.excelsiormat.org) for updates

to the following policies:

RSE

Attendance



## WEEKLY ASSEMBLY

ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORIES BEHIND THIS PICTURES AND HOW THEY LINK TO BRITISH VALUES.



# Menu Kids



## WEEK COMMENCING 30TH JANUARY 2023

CITY KITCHEN YOUR MENU Week TWO				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese & Potato Pie Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Lamb Lasagne Vegetable Lasagne Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Roast Chicken With Gravy Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Chicken Goujons Vegan Bites Jacket Potatoes with Cheese & Beans Assorted Sandwiches	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Herby Diced Potatoes Carrots Or Beans	Garlic Bread Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes Peas	Tomato Pasta Carrots	Chips Baked Beans
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily				
Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily				
Flapjack	Chocolate Cracknell	Chocolate Crunch	Jam Sponge	Strawberry & Vanilla mousse
Vegetarian Options Available Daily.				
For Any Allergen/Dietary Requirements Please Speak To The Catering Supervisor				

School meals are £2.35 per day, payable via Arbor, for years 3, 4, 5 & 6, unless you are entitled to free school meals.

Please note that for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 ALL children are entitled to universal free school meals.