SATs—2014
We now have the confirmed dates for our SATs tests in 2015:
Yr 2 – May 2015 (tests take place during the whole of May)
Yr 6 – Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May (inclusive)
The Year 1 Phonics testing will be undertaken the week beginning 15th June 2015 (inclusive).

Please can we request that you do not book any holidays during the period from 13th April 2015 to the end of May 2015.

Reception
This term Reception are doing about ‘People Who Help Us’. On Tuesday we had 2 Police Officers come and visit us and talk to us about keeping safe.
Ewan: “I learnt that the police have a torch to use at night.”

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We finished our topic by writing an acrostic poem about the life cycle of a butterfly. E.g. Sporting hero, Entertainer hero, Baker hero, King and Queen heroes or any other hero you may have. Children who do not wish to dress up need to wear normal school uniform.

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HEADLICE
Please ensure that you check your own child’s hair on at least a weekly basis. The school nurse has also suggested that a twice daily vigorous brushing of hair will help in diminishing this problem. LA guidelines firmly put the onus for checking and treating in the hands of parents. Head lice can be dramatically reduced and even eliminated. However this can only be done through the full co-operation of all parents.

Let’s Grow Vouchers
‘Let’s Grow Vouchers’ from Morrisons supermarket need to be in school by Friday 21st November. All vouchers collected will be used to purchase gardening equipment for the school.

CHILDREN IN NEED 2014—
Friday 14th November
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CONGRATULATIONS
We would like to send our congratulations to Mrs Lightfoot who got married in the half term holiday. Mrs Lightfoot is now Mrs Doherty but the class will remain as 4L this year.

Remembrance Day (11th November 2014)
The children will be marking the 2 minute silence at 11 o’clock on Tuesday 11th November as usual. All pupils who belong to Uniform Brigades are encouraged to wear their pack uniforms to school on this day.

Midlands Premier League and the Birmingham Woodlands Football Cup
The Year 6 boys have been selected to play in the Midlands Premier League and the Birmingham Woodlands Football Cup. They will be playing against all the other schools in the area and we hope to get them to the final. We all wish them good luck.

Governor Forum Meeting
Thursday 13th November 2014, 3pm - 5pm in the school hall.
Come and join some of the Governing Body for tea and cake. Talk to them about school and its next steps in this friendly and informal setting. Ask questions and get to know the members of Green Meadow Governing Body. The children can meet you in the hall at the end of the day if this gives you the opportunity to attend. All parents are welcome. Please let the Office know if you are wanting to attend this meeting so that catering numbers can be organised.

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Dressing for Winter!
As you are aware it is school policy that children go outside during break and lunchtimes and it is necessary that they are adequately dressed, therefore we ask you to send your child into school with a coat. We are also encouraging pupils during the cold weather to wear dark coloured tracksuit bottoms and top over their PE kits during the winter months. Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

OFSTED PARENT VIEW
We are always keen for you to be as fully informed about school as possible. Ofsted provide a site called ‘Parent View’ which gives you the chance to tell them what you think about your child’s school. By sharing your views you’ll be helping your school to improve. You can access this site through www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Our values:
Nature, respect, resilience, friendship, integrity, perseverance

London, 23rd October
Save and enjoy your food for a good cause.
Every day it grows bigger.

Leaving the crumbs as a butterfly.
Young caterpillar transforms into a new butterfly.

I can write a poem.

A poem makes something die.

The poem must be made to die.

H. Setchell Headteacher
Year One

In year one we have been learning about a healthy, balanced diet and what this consists of. We focused on creating a healthy breakfast bar. Here are some of the designs we came up with and photos of the finished product.

Year 5

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Year 3

Year 3 have been writing instructions in English. We pretended that we had a pet dragon in our back gardens and wrote a set of instructions for how to brush its teeth. We needed to make sure we had included time connectives, adverbs and imperative verbs. We included an opening, a list of equipment along with our numbered steps of what to do. It was really exciting to be able to pretend that we all had pet dragons.

Assemblies

As the dark nights return and the cold weather will be upon us, we would like to remind parents of our arrangements for school closures. We have decided that we will only text parents when a decision to close has been made. Should you not have a text from us then please be aware that the school will be OPEN. As we are using this method of communication please ensure that school has your current mobile number.

Like everything else, this strategy will only work effectively when everyone is fully engaged in the process. In addition to the text, a notice will be posted on the school website if the school has to close. Thank you for your support.