

# Greenhaugh Primary School News

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020



**Mmmm...Tea party picnic!**

We have had great pleasure **welcoming** all our children into Greenhaugh Primary School for the start of the Autumn Term. The weather may be gloomy, but spirits are not, and the school is filled with laughter, chat, learning, imagination, sharing and inspiration.

A huge **thank you** to staff, parents, children and governors for working together so hard to help us to be as safe as we can be, and enabling this to happen.

Our **new starters** have settled brilliantly into Class 1 and our new build is officially open for business and put to good use as Class 1's main classroom. **Year 1s and Year 2s** have settled back into their learning excitedly and are excellent at being the grown up and older leaders and monitors.

**Class 2** are experts in their learning environment already and are using their firm and clever skills to develop their independently chosen projects through a range of mediums

including written; pictorial; mathematical and IT recording and research facilities.

Thank you for helping us to ensure that the **reading** routine flows smoothly- our children were SO excited to be bringing reading books home to share, expand and enjoy. The exchange days will be **Monday** and **Thursday** each week and we'll all get into the routine of 'all in and all out' on those days. Plenty of time in between to relish, re-read, explore and be questioned upon what will definitely become a familiar text.

Thank you to parents for **contacting school** via telephone, e-mail or Class Dojo. Please make sure e-mails are sent to Mrs. Wise, Acting Head, ([justine.wise@greenhaugh.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:justine.wise@greenhaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)) unless directed to respond to admin specifically. Wonderful Christine works incredibly hard, but is part time (Mon, Wed, Fri) and so important communication that needs immediate attention needs to be sent to the above address please. Reception parents will receive details about Class Dojo when process is ready.

**Tempest photography** is going to be taking photographs of the children in school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020. We usually invite older or younger siblings into school to join us for this, but due to circumstances beyond our control, will not be able to do so on this occasion. Children in school will have individual and/or sibling photographs taken and will be sent home to the family with instructions on how to proceed with an order if you choose to do so.

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**'Flu vaccinations** will be offered for our school children from the Healthcare Team on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Details for this procedure will be issued as soon as we receive further information.

A **Data Collection sheet** is also being sent home in a sealed envelope for each child for you to check, sign and return in a sealed envelope.

Thank you to parents for being vigilant over **illness** within the family. It is essential that children are not sent into school if they, or a family member is unwell with sickness/Covid symptoms and must not use school transport. We appreciate the social distancing at drop off and pick-up and can feel re-assured that parents are following this advice in the community too.

**Ukelele** lessons will begin in Class 2 on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September. All equipment and a music expert will be provided (following Government guidelines and school protocol for visitor and sanitization on site).

Dates- **Half-term**- school closes at 3pm 23/10/20 and re-opens 8.45am 3/11/20 (with 2/11/20 being a teacher training day)

**Parent Consultations** will take place in the week commencing Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October. We will ensure that communication for this is offered in the best way possible and will ask for your preferred means nearer the time.