

# NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM MRS YEOMAN



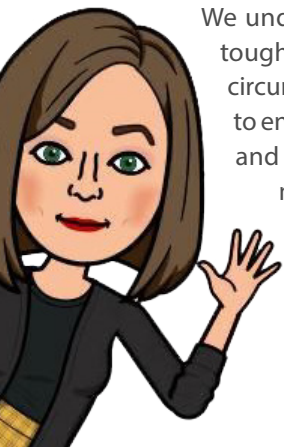
**A warm welcome back to all our children, staff and families, we hope that you all had a restful half term.**

I must say that the atmosphere within school has been fabulous, the children's attitudes to behaviour and learning have once again been exceptional and the standard of teaching as always is outstanding, staff are working tirelessly to ensure that. As we enter into another national period of lockdown, our school processes will once again need to be 'tightened up.' Our attendance is incredible at the minute, as a result of everyone really pulling together to play our part in keeping school a safe place.

From Thursday there will be a few changes that we need to implement to reduce the number of items that are being brought into school:

We will no longer be able to send home reading books. Therefore, all children will be expected to access Reading Planet online. All children have been assigned books and throughout school we do expect all children to read every single day.

- ▶ Book bags and PACT books should be left at home.
- ▶ Please can I remind children not to bring in their own hand-sanitiser into school.
- ▶ Homework will be set on class Dojo.



We understand that the next four weeks will be tough on us all during lockdown and individual circumstances differ from family to family. I need to ensure that I safeguard all Greatwood children and staff members and would urge you not to mix between households and to stick to the Government guidelines-I would hate to have to turn children away from school at the gate because we have been informed that guidelines have not been followed.

## FAMILY SUPPORT

Throughout these challenging times we know that some families may find themselves in a financially challenging situation. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Smith (our pastoral leader) on **01756 795488** as she can always help with food parcels, benefit applications and confidential support.



## HALLOWEEN PARTIES

Many thanks to Mrs Lee and the Greatwood staff for all their support with running the class Halloween parties before half term. The children looked incredible in their outfits and they had a fabulous time. Over £400 was raised for school funds, which is a superb amount.



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## CREATIVE COMMUNITIES PROJECT

We are delighted to be working closely on several projects alongside 'Creative Communities Greatwood & Horseclose'. If you are interested in getting involved with the projects then please join the Facebook group or speak to Mrs Yeoman.

**We would love for more of our parents to volunteer and join in with the up and coming projects.**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

23rd November - 11th December	Year 5 Outdoor-Ed (Group 1) every afternoon
27th November	Year 2 performance assembly- to be videoed for parents
3rd December	Flu Vaccinations <i>(for all children who have parental consent)</i>
9th December	Christmas production - to be videoed for parents
18th December	School closes
4th January	Inset
5th January	School re-opens
5th January - 22nd January	Year 5 Outdoor-Ed (Group 2) every afternoon
25th January-12th February	Year 4 Outdoor-Ed (Group 1) every afternoon
12th February	Year 5 performance assembly- to be videoed for parents
12th February	School Closes
22nd February	School Opens
22nd February - 12th March	Year 4 Outdoor-Ed (Group 2) every afternoon

