



Greatham
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,
We have had a very successful first half term. The children have settled well into routine, making a smooth transition into their new year groups. Thank you to all parents who attended our welcome meetings and parent consultations. As always, if you would like to discuss anything with your class teacher during the school year, please make an appointment via the school office. We have had more fabulous homework projects already this year- thank you for your continued support with this and with home reading, spellings and times tables- your support is much appreciated. We look forward to another busy half term when we return to school in November.
Mrs. Dunn

Christmas at Greatham

Christmas Fair

Thursday 7th December 4pm to 6pm

Pantomime at Billingham Forum

Tuesday 12th December
Returning approximately 4.30pm

Christmas nativity

Wednesday 13th December 1.30pm
Thursday 14th December 6pm

Carols on the green

Friday 15th December 2.15pm
(weather permitting)

Christmas Disco

Wednesday 20th December
EY & KS1 (Class 1 and 2) - 3.15 to 4.15pm
KS2 (Class 3 and 4) - 4.15 to 5.1

Christingle Church Service

Thursday 21st December 2023
9.30am



Our School Day

A reminder that the school gate opens at 8:40 and closes 8:50. Children arriving after this time should enter via the school office, accompanied by an adult. A late mark will be entered into the register.



Harvest Festival

Thank you so much to everyone who donated to the Foodbank this year. We received lots of donations which are greatly appreciated. After the holidays, some of our children will deliver the food to Hartlepool Foodbank.

We hope to see parents and carers in Church at 9.30am tomorrow for our Harvest Festival service.

Attendance

Being in school is the best way for children to learn and reach their potential. Time in school is important to your child's achievement, well-being and wider development.

Absence procedures

Parents are required to contact the school office via telephone no later than 20 minutes after the start of the school day on the first day of their child's absence. You are expected to provide an explanation for the absence and an estimation of how long the absence will last, e.g. one school day. **This should not be via email.**

Parents will be contacted by phone if a child's absence has not been reported by 9.05am. If we are unable to get hold of you, staff will carry out a home visit. This is in line with our safeguarding procedures.

Non uniform day

Children can come to school in non-uniform Thursday 9th November. In return we are asking for a small donation of a tombola prize for our Christmas Fair. All monies raised from the Christmas Fair will pay for the tickets to the pantomime at Billingham Forum this year. Many thanks for your continued support.



SEND at Greatham

At Greatham School, we believe that every child, whatever his or her ability, should have the opportunity to access every area of the curriculum to enable him/her to achieve personal potential academically, socially, and emotionally and fully participate in school life. If you are concerned about your child's learning or emotional health and well-being, please speak to your child's class teacher or me as SENDCO. We are here to listen to your concerns and provide support for your child. It is important that we work in partnership with you to meet your child's needs.

Mrs Dunn SENDCO and EHWP Lead.

Keeping safe in the community and Online Safety

PC Coggin came into school to talk about keeping safe in the local community and keeping safe online. Please speak to your children about what they learned. If you require any support with keeping children safe online, please visit our website on <https://greathamceprimary.org.uk>
School info - Online Safety and
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ONLINE SAFETY

