



Greenfield Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 4th September 2025

Mrs Neophitou's News

First week back

Welcome back everyone! It has been wonderful to see our children returning to school full of enthusiasm and ready for the year ahead. We have enjoyed hearing about their summer adventures and seeing so many happy faces around the school. A new academic year brings exciting opportunities and we are looking forward to supporting every child to learn, grow and achieve their very best.

In my first assembly of the year, we talked about **making a good impression** and starting the year as we mean to go on. We discussed how our behaviour, attitude and effort help shape the way others see us, and how showing respect, kindness, and resilience can have a positive impact on those around us.

It was wonderful to hear the children's ideas and I know they will continue to make us proud as they embrace the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

We look forward to working in partnership with all of our families this year and appreciate your ongoing support in helping our children to thrive.

Weekly Attendance

At Greenfield Academy we expect all our pupils to:

- Attend every day
- Attend on time
- Attend ready to learn

Good attendance and punctuality is EVERYONE's responsibility and our target this year is **95%**. It is vital to making sure that children make good progress and have the best chances for success in life. Children have the right to a full education, broad and excellent education.

Our partnerships with parents play a vital role in ensuring excellent attendance and punctuality are achieved.



Drop off and pick up procedures

The gates **open at 8:45am** and **close at 8:55am**. There are always staff members on the classroom doors and on the gates to support the children if they are unsure of where to go, or if parents wish to speak to somebody.

At home time the **gates open at 3:10pm** and **children finish at 3:15pm**. Parents/ carers must collect their child from the classroom door.

Please can I remind you that **only adults over the age of 18 years old can collect children**, and they must be known to the class teacher. If you are sending somebody different, the school office must be informed and a password set up to us on collection for safeguarding purposes.



Please ensure you have downloaded the Arbor app as Greenfield Academy is a cashless school, and all payments **MUST** be made via Arbor. Please see the separate letter with how to set up your account and if you have any questions you can contact the school office.

From Arbor, you will also be able to make any changes to contact details and can view your child's attendance information.



School Spider

At present, we will continue to use the School Spider communication platform for parents. This will allow you to receive important information directly from school quickly and easily.

You can login via the School Spider app, which you can download for free from Google Play or the Apple App Store by searching School Spider.

On the app you will be able to do the following:

- *Book parents' evenings*
- *Complete online surveys and forms* (these could include school trip/club bookings)
- *Receive messages from the school* (app only)

You will receive an email when there is something you need to complete and if you are logged into the app, you will also receive a pop-up notification. If you are struggling to activate your account, or have lost your details come to the School Office for support.

Please note, that by the end of this term, all communication will be made via the Arbor app.



Mobile Phone Free Site

Please note that we are a mobile phone-free site. This policy is in place for safeguarding reasons, and parents/carers should not use mobile phones or other recording devices on the playground or anywhere within the school building. Our policy helps us protect the privacy, safety and wellbeing of all pupils, staff, and families and ensures that our school remains a safe environment for everyone.



Extra Curricular Clubs

Don't forget that all children from Reception- Year 6 can attend our daily Breakfast Club for **FREE**. If your child would like to attend, they need to come to the Queen Street gate at 8.30am.

After school club letters will be sent out over the coming weeks and places will be awarded on a first come first served basis so please return them promptly.



Uniform Reminders

Our Uniform Policy is designed to:

- Promote the ethos of the academy
- Provide a sense of belonging and identity
- Set an appropriate tone for learning in the academy

Pupils are expected to wear their uniform correctly, responsibly and with pride. Staff will praise pupils verbally for their presentation where appropriate. If the child is not wearing the appropriate uniform they will be asked why, supported to wear uniform from school spares and reminded to wear their own uniform the next day. If children persistently do not wear the correct uniform, school will contact parents to discuss the issue.

Pupils are **not** permitted to wear:

- Jewellery except for one small stud earring in each pierced ear and a wristwatch (not a Smart watch)
- Coloured hair accessories that are not school colours (green, black or white) or that are oversized
- Make-up including nail varnish, acrylic or false nails
- Caps, jeans, casual clothing, fashion sportswear, branded sportswear or football kits
- Haircuts with heavily shaved patterns or lines

It is important to us that we do not place a financial burden on families which is why we allow children to wear non- branded uniform and offer a Uniform Bank in school. Drop-in sessions are available in the Community Room every Monday from 9 - 10am or alternatively contact the school office on 0161 368 1898 or email info@greenfield.theharmonytrust.org to arrange a time to view available uniform.

School Uniform	
• Plain Bottle Green jumper available from Asda, Matalan, Sainsburys, shop of parents choice • White long/short sleeved shirt or polo shirt • Green gingham dress during warmer weather • Black/grey pants or skirt/ pinafore/ shalwar kameez • Black sensible school shoes • Book bags sold via Parentpay: £3.50 for a branded book bag and £10 for a branded backpack	



PE Kit (Indoor)

- 1) White T-Shirt
- 2) Black Shorts or leggings
- 3) Black Pumps

PE Kit (Outdoor)

- 1) White T-Shirt
- 2) Trainers
- 3) Jog Pants or Tracksuit

