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Nurture Inspire Flourish
This month's value; Responsibility

Dear All,

We have received two complaints this week from members of the public regarding irresponsible and illegal parking outside school. This has involved cars parked on the zigzag lines and blocking the pavement. We appreciate that parking is not easy outside school and in the surrounding streets but our children and parents are too precious to be put at risk in this unnecessary way. Please park legally and responsibly to safeguard our children.

At the start of this week, dinner arrears totalled in excess of £1200 across the Academy. Please could you make payments as soon as possible in order to reduce arrears. Luton Borough Council provides our school meals and we would ask for them to be paid for in advance.

From the 1 February we are moving to a new software package to bill parents of children in the Nursery across the Academy, which will hopefully make invoicing far simpler. Invoices will be sent out at the beginning of each calendar month in advance. Any adjustments to sessions/lunches within that month will appear on the following months invoice. Payment of Nursery fees, whether that be online through 'School Money', or using vouchers must be paid in full, 2 weeks from the date of the invoice.

A reminder that the parents evening booking system opens on Monday 4 February at 10am. If you have any queries regarding booking an appointment, please contact the school office.

After the success of the new 'STEM' club, I can confirm that this will be running again after half term on a Wednesday at Pulloxhill and on a Friday at Greenfield. Letters will be sent home shortly.

Annette McCullion
Headteacher

'GODLY PLAY'

Jo-Ann Gaunt from 'Impact', Bedford came into school to work with groups of children across the Academy on Thursday 24 January.

Jo-Ann told the children a story about the parable of the lost sheep. Jo-Ann had a felt mat and built that up asking the children what the parts reminded them of (happy places and sad places). The children talked about sad times. They talked about how the good shepherd was like Jesus looking after the people. They then went back to class to draw a picture about what they had learned and then had some reflection time. The children all really enjoyed the session and Jo-Ann was very complimentary about how much the children were willing to share.

Jo-Ann has since emailed the school to say how well she thought that the sessions had gone and how well behaved the children had been. Further sessions will be booked later in the year for the classes that weren't fortunate enough to take part this time round.



BAD WEATHER ARRANGEMENTS

In the event of poor weather conditions resulting in the closure of the school, the following will apply:

- Poor weather preventing children/staff from getting to school - we will post information on our website and text parents
- Poor weather resulting in the closure of the school during the school day - all parents will be contacted and children will stay with staff until they can be collected

We will try to keep you informed, but as you can appreciate the decision to close the school needs to be made early enough to prevent unnecessary journeys, as our priority is the safety and well-being of your children and the staff.

MASQUERADE BALL GSA & FOPS

A reminder that early bird tickets are still available up until half term at the reduced cost of £40 per ticket. After 8 February, tickets will cost £45.00. If any parents, or the companies they work for have any raffle prizes they would like to donate, or if they would like to have an advert in our programme of events please get in touch at greenfieldandpulloxhillball@gmail.com or through Wendy Brown.

GSA

It was discussed at the last GSA meeting between parents and teachers that attended, that the school is in need of some shade in the playground for the children. Therefore it was decided, that this is what we would like to raise funds for. This could be quite a large target and the GSA will still be looking to enrich the children's day to day learning. GSA will be donating the money for the school to purchase a portable oven with hob for children to be able to do cookery in their classrooms and are looking into purchasing new CD players and relevant CD's for each of the classrooms.

Calendar of events

February 8th

The children will be doing a sponsored event to jointly raise funds for the school and to purchase defibrillator pads that are suitable for children for all the units in the village.

March 30th Masquerade Ball

Tickets still available

Save the dates

March 14th Film Night

May 17th Quiz Night

October 11th Murder Mystery with 3 course dinner

More details will be released in due course.

FRIENDS OF PULLOXHILL SCHOOL (FOPS)

A thank you to FOPS for their recent cheque for £300. This will be split between Penguins and Puffins so that they can purchase a mud kitchen and sand pit and Kestrels and Kites are looking to purchase some bookshelves to improve their reading area.

SAFEGUARDING AT GREENFIELD & PULLOXHILL ACADEMY

The Child Protection and Safeguarding Officers at Greenfield and Pulloxhill Academy are Alison Wolfe (Pulloxhill) and Wendy Shuttle (Greenfield). Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact them via the school office or catch them in the playground. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

A reminder that when your child is absent, please contact the school by 9.30am at the latest, on each day of the absence. Where possible please could medical, dental and optician appointments be made out of school hours. Thank you for your continued support.

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Week ending 25 January 97%

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Week ending 18 January 95%

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VACANCIES

Greenfield & Pulloxhill Academy are looking for a lunchtime supervisor/s to work either a full week or just certain days of the week. For an application form, please contact Wendy Shuttle at Greenfield School on 01525 712426 or Nicky Oxley at Pulloxhill School on 01525 713150.

Parkfields Middle School, Toddington are looking for a full time teacher of English and Maths, both required from September 2019. Please see

www.mynewterm/school/Parkfields-Middle-School/109662 for further details.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

6-8 February	Pulloxhill Year 3 to Stibbington
8 February, 3.30pm	Break up for half term
18 February	Children return to school
18 February	Parents Consultations 4.00-6.00pm Greenfield 6.00-8.00pm Pulloxhill
20 February	Parent Consultations 4.00-6.00pm Pulloxhill 6.00-8.00pm Greenfield
15 March	Class & Team photographs
20-22 March	Greenfield Year 3 to Stibbington
26-28 March	Year 4 to Germany
30 March	GSA/FOPS Ball
5 April, 3.30pm	Break up for Easter holiday
23 April	Children return to school
6 May	Bank holiday Monday
11 May	Pulloxhill School May Fayre
24 May, 3.30pm	Break up for half term
3 June	Children return to school
10-14 June	Year 4 to the Isle of Wight
27 & 28 June All Day	Year 4 transition days at Arnold Academy
28 June	All years 'move up' morning/day
2 July	Pulloxhill School Sports Day
5 July	Greenfield School Sports Day
9 July	Pulloxhill School Sports Day (RESERVE)
12 July	Greenfield School Sports Day (RESERVE)
19 July, 3.30pm	Break up for summer holiday
4 September	Children return to school
18 October, 3.30pm	Break up for half term
28 October	Staff Training Day
29 October	Children return to school
20 December, 3.30pm	Break up for Christmas
3 January 2020	Staff Training Day
6 January 2020	Children return to school