

GREEN PARK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

April 2025

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SAVE THE DATE 2025



- Online Safety Workshop 29th April 9.30am 11am
- Parent event :Makaton Level 2 Workshop 13th May 9am-3pm
- Half Term 26th –30th May
- Inset Day 2nd June 2025, School re-opens Tuesday 3rd June
- Parent Event : Makaton Themed Coffee Morning 9th June 9.30-11.30am
- Parents Careers Event for pupils in Year 7 to Year 11 24th June 10am 2pm
- Parent event: Promoting Positive Behaviour Coffee Morning 9th July 9.30am-11.30am
- Inset day 21st July 2025
- Summer holidays 22nd July—29th August
- School closed for INSET DAYS Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- School re-opens for 2025-202 academic year Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Duke of Edinburgh Awards 'Sparkle Day'

On Wednesday 2nd of April the Duke of Edinburgh pupils put on an amazing charity day to raise money and awareness for Newlife. Each year the pupils chose a community project to support as part of the awards programme. This year they chose Newlife, a charity which supports families with disabled and terminally ill children across the UK. They offer a lifeline for families providing life changing and life-saving specialist equipment where and when it's needed. The DofE pupils planned an action packed 'Sparkle day' that linked to each clusters curriculum topics. In the morning they shared important stories teaching others all about the charity followed by a Sparkle day activity. Pupils attended sessions where they got hands on learning about different disabilities other people face. In the afternoon they took part in some amazing celebrations that showcased their own special skills and abilities such as a fashion show, a disco, and sing and sign. The pupils really enjoyed meeting Nugget the mascot from Newlife. The day was a great way to spread awareness of an amazing charity and raise some money too. A massive thank you to our families, pupils and staff for raising £190.

















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Bilston Rotary Bikeathon

We need you! Bilston rotary has organised their Bikeathon again, in aid of Green Park School. The event will take place on **Saturday 26th April, from 9am - 3pm**. If you can pop along to show your support it would be appreciated. It will take place in Bilston town centre - outside Direct Furniture shop. There will some local dignitaries taking part on the day including our current Mayor, Cllr Linda Leach. We hope any donations will be used to start the ball rolling on fundraising for a new sensory room. Our current room is used every day. It is tired and becoming out of date as it was installed when we first opened our new school campus in 2009. Companies visit to share design ideas but we anticipate we will need to raise £40,000. We have the support of the staff fundraising team, the Voluntary Committee and other local groups. We will also make bids to charities for their support. Come and cheer us on at the Bikeathon!

Yellow Cluster Easter Service

We were delighted by the performance of Yellow Cluster's Easter service. The children developed the traditions of Easter from their history work on Vikings. They helped us understand how traditions have grown through the ages. It was an immersive experience and there were lots of activities to explore by parents and pupils. It was a really fabulous afternoon.













Safeguarding News

We have an upcoming Online Safety Workshop on Tuesday 29th April at 9.30am.

If you would like to find a place for your child to interact with their peers during the holidays a great place is **THE WAY**. http://www.thewayyouthzone.org/

For online safety tips please scan the QR code

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Green Cluster's Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Green cluster welcomed parents and carers in to school on Wednesday 26th March to celebrate Mother's Day with a specially prepared Afternoon Tea. The classes worked hard to prepare iced biscuits, fairy cakes and sandwiches to share with our special guests. The sun shone in our playground and lots of fun was had before we joined together to sing some songs that we have been practicing to celebrate our Mum's. Cards and a special flower was presented to each mum that attended and a wonderful time was had by all. Thank you to parents and carers that attended and a Happy Mother's Day to all



Drayton Manor Marathon

On Sunday, Michelle, Katie, Rachael, Simon, Carl and Gillian took part in the Drayton Manor 5k/10k races to support the fundraising for the Duke of Edinburgh students for Newlife. They had a fabulous morning, the sun was shining, the course was exciting, and the atmosphere was buzzing! Thank you to everyone for your support with this fundraising challenge, the DofE students will feel very proud.



Wolverhampton's new Local Offer website for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities

The website provides a single place to get information, services and resources available to children and young people with SEND aged 0-25, and their families, including those with or without Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans. . Schools are encouraged to signpost families to the Local Offer to find out about:

- who they can speak to, if they are concerned about their child's learning and development
- education, social care, health and wellbeing services
- browse for local support such as where to find helpful advice, support groups, fun activities or services
- travel assistance arrangements
- support during periods of transition and preparing for adulthood
- challenging decisions about support for children with SEND.

https://www.localofferwolves.co.uk/





THANK YOU SO MUCH...

After 30 years of voluntary service as a Governor, much of this as our Chair of Governors, Barry Bond MBE has made the difficult decision to step down from our governing board. His greatest pride was in our pupils success. He visited school

weekly and the pupils always welcomed him into their classrooms. He received many letters from the children asking him to go on an adventure with them to the BBC radio, the Keltruck depot and many more places. We were deeply touched to attend his investiture when he received his MBE from the Lord Lieutenant in Chief and to be invited to Buckingham Palace to celebrate his Service to Children and Young People with SEND. Barry has every intention to still be part of school life and will remain a Trustee of our School Charity. Being a school governor is a big commitment and the time he has given to school and the wider children of Wolverhampton has been amazing. The children, staff and Governors thank him for all that he has given to our school and wish him well for the future.



A Note from the Nursing Team

Good communication between our nursing team and families is important to us. If at any time you would like to speak to a senior nurse, then the contact details are below:

- Marina Samuels and Rebecca Gladwin Sisters in charge at school on 01902 445318
- Kate Bridges, Senior Sister or Sara Eacopo, Matron for ČCN team on 01902 444700

We are aiming to have a member of the nursing team available at the coffee Parent Coffee mornings.

Please contact the Nurses office directly if there are any medical issues that need to be passed on to the nursing team on 01902 445318. We are on site from 8am so please feel free to call from 8am to 8.30am and then after 9.15 am. Please note that during handover which is 8.30am – 9.15am, the phone will not be answered.



School will return after half term on Monday 28th April 2025