



Greenhall Nursery

Newsletter

Summer (2) 2017

Learning together, having fun!

From the Headteacher

As the end of another school year approaches, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the year that has gone by. I love walking around the nursery and seeing children engaged in their learning, sitting in review meetings and hearing how much progress the children have made and seeing those 'magic moments' with my own eyes. It is an honour to be a part of such a special step for you and your child and I thank you for working with us, for being honest and open and for your support and challenge. I am ever thankful for the hard work and dedication of a fantastic team of staff and governors at Greenhall and acknowledge the part they play in helping the children in their learning journey.

The world of education continues to face challenges and Greenhall has not been spared from this but we are committed to ensuring the best possible outcomes for the children. We have been busy supporting transitions and these have been working well. We are saying goodbye to a very large year group this summer so the team will be naturally smaller in September.

We had a wonderful sports day with a nursery rhyme theme. The children were fantastic and we were all very proud of their achievements!

As you are aware, we have been busy fundraising to further develop our outdoor areas. We are hoping that phase 1 will begin shortly. We are really excited that we have been successful in a bid to develop the area outside Hedgehogs classroom and are hoping that this work will begin over the summer. Amey are also working with us to develop a 'roadway' on the playground for use with cars and bikes, refurbish our farm area and mud kitchen. We look forward to sharing the developments with you in the Autumn term.

Have a lovely summer holiday! I look forward to seeing the children again on Wednesday 6th September 2017.



NSPCC

We are delighted to have worked with the NSPCC who have been in school to film for one of their e-learning courses entitled 'Safeguarding for school Governors'. The NSPCC would like to thank parents who consented to this.

Trinity Court

Thank you to Trinity Court for organising a barbecue to raise funds for Greenhall. They raised £210.

The Governing Board

The Governors at Greenhall are responsible for overseeing many of the strategic decisions of the school. They act as a 'critical friend' to the Headteacher, supporting, challenging and representing different parts of the school community.

We have vacancies on the Governing Board. If you are interested, please contact the school office for more information.

To contact the governors, please email governor@greenhall.staffs.sch.uk

Summer Fete 2017

The weather was glorious for our summer fete on Saturday 24th June 2017. The fete was opened by the Mayor and Mayoress and it was lovely to see so many familiar faces. We would like to thank everyone for their support. Stone radio were onsite providing entertainment along with Trinity Singers. It was lovely to see our local PCSO's in attendance, taking people's fingerprints and providing information to the community. Stafford Castle Rotary did a fantastic job on the barbecue.

We raised a super £1500



'Little Learners' Governor-run Provision at Greenhall

'Little Learners' is expanding from September 2017 and opening its doors to the wider community. If you would like your child to access more sessions at Greenhall or have another child that you may be interested in sending, please get in touch with Sue in the office for more information.

For **parents with children who think they may be entitled to the 30 hours of free funding**, visit <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/childcare/families/EarlyEducation/Early-Education.aspx> for further information.

Father's Day

It was fantastic to see so many Dads and Grandad's join us for this year's fathers day celebrations. Gill did a fantastic job catering for 16 grown-ups over the two days and a fun time was had by all!



We would like to facilitate parents getting together to chat and support each other so watch this space for more information.

PODD workshop

Thank you to all the parents that joined us for the PODD workshops. We had 5 families represented and had good fun learning to use it together. We will be running more workshops in the Autumn term.

Thank you to **Road chef** at **Norton Canes** for continuing to host collection tins for us and for Janet & Jill for their ongoing support.