



Dear Parents and Carers of Greenleas School,
 This week we have been busy with interim tests for children in Year 4 and Year 1 who will be taking the Multiplication Tables Check (4) and the Phonics Check (1 and recheck 2) this Summer. This helps familiarise the children with how the checks are administered so that they know what to expect, and helps teachers understand if there are key sounds or tables that the children need to practise.

On Wednesday, I enjoyed a delicious lunch with Lilah, Anvee, Amy, Emmie, Orla-Rose and Lydia from Key Stage 2 at Kestrel Way.

We were also visited on Thursday by our new School Improvement Advisor, Kerrie Lewis, who has been assigned to Greenleas as one of her "light touch" schools by Central Bedfordshire. Kerrie is a recently retired Executive Head Teacher from a Diocesan Trust in Shropshire who is now doing advisory work for the Local Authority. We met at Kestrel Way to do a desk top review of the school, followed by a very quick learning walk and a dip into the books. She will be returning after half term to visit Derwent Road.

Our pieces of writing this week are from Evie and Callie from Year 1 at Derwent Road and Kestrel Way.

Wishing you a wonderful long weekend.

Rebecca Clarke,
 Head Teacher



Greenleas' Value of the Month for May is...

Hope

Hope is a feeling that something you want is likely to happen; hope is a wish in your heart of good things to come. To help deepen our children's understanding of our value of hope this month, here are some questions you could discuss with your child at home:

- What do you hope for yourself and why? How can you make your hopes and dreams come true? What steps will you need to take?
- What hopes do you have for the people you love? What hopes do you have for the world?

Star of the Week

Derwent Road:
 Rose
Kestrel Way:
 Sienna



Tidy Tortoise

Derwent Road:
 Ducks
Kestrel Way:
 Preschool



Click the icon to visit our school social media channels.



Safeguarding Matters

Playground Reminder

Children should not be on the school equipment before or after school and especially if not supervised. No dogs, apart from guide dogs are allowed on the school grounds.

Derwent Road Car Gate Reminder

When coming in to school and leaving school please can all parents/carers be reminded **not use the car gate when entering and leaving.** This is very dangerous and can lead to a serious accident.

BUCKLE UP BUTTERCUP!

- Wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of death by 50%
- 4 unbelted young people were killed/seriously injured every week in 2022
- 41% of people who dies in a vehicle collision at night could have been saved if their seat belts were fastened
- 40% of back seat passengers killed in collisions were not wearing a seat belt
- **Children under 12 years olds MUST be in a car seat or booster seat unless they are over 135cms tall**
- If a car travelling a 30mph stops suddenly, everyone and everything in the vehicle will continue to move at 30mph until something stops them. At a force of 2-3 tonne! **Make sure its the seat belt that stops you!!!**

The driver is responsible for all passengers under 14 year old and can receive an on the spot fine of at least £100. Passengers over 14 years old are responsible for themselves and can receive the same fine.



If you wish to report any safeguarding concerns, please contact the below staff members in the first instance:



Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Rebecca Clarke
Kestrel/Derwent



Derwent Road:
Sarah Horne



Derwent Road:
Bindia Sexton



Derwent Road/Kestrel Way:
Alexia Cook



Kestrel Way:
Amanada Wallace

16.3.26 Narrative (wishing table) - The Giraffe who learned to Dance

| Steps to Success | |
|--------------------------|---|
| used my phonics to spell | used my feedback from last week |
| read my work | used capital letters and full stops in most of my sentences |
| used my phonics to spell | used capital letters and full stops in most of my sentences |

Teacher Assessment

Used finger spaces

To form letters correctly and sit them on the line

Punctuated some sentences with capital letters and full stops

Used phonics knowledge to spell words

Acted on feedback from previous writing

Margot was a monkey she had a curley tail in a cool jungle.


Margot had a swimming party the meerkats were swimming and jumping. The leopards were paddling and diving. But Margot did not swim. Margot felt miserish. The wise owl said Margot the sea try your best.

Margot started to swim the meerkats and the leopards were in amazement.

Margot swam in her own special way she believed in herself.

16.3.26 Published work

The lion who learned to scair. Little was a lion. Little has little eyes and she can ror. Little lives in the hot savanna. Little cant fore scair. She saw the lion scairing. Lion was rorring and the tiegu was scairing. Little wanted mis to joinin. Little felt miserable. Wise owl said believe in yourself. Little took a deepe breath. she was scairing. Animals were she was shoded. little believed in herself. the end



Bedfordshire Community Health Services Luton Children & Adults Community Health Services NHS

Primary School Health Clinics

Supporting the health and wellbeing of your child

We are pleased to share that the School Nursing Service is now offering Primary School Health Clinics for parents and carers of primary-aged children on a termly basis.

Who are we?

Your allocated School Nursing Team supports your child's health and wellbeing throughout their school journey. These clinics are delivered in school, making it easier for families to access support.

What the clinics offer

Bookable appointments where you can receive:

- Health advice and guidance
- Early intervention support
- Signposting or referrals to other services

Our aim is to work with you to support your child's health, wellbeing, and development, helping them reach their full potential.

Next Clinic Information

Date: 23rd June 2026

Time: 2pm - 3:30pm

Location (if applicable): Greenleas School Derwent Road

How to book

Appointments can be made:

- Through your child's school or
- By contacting the School Nursing Service directly or
- Alternatively, although we prefer you to book, please drop in on the day.

Please click the following link to view an animation explaining our service offer and how to contact us <https://vimeo.com/840387234/0a3c6c32db7f=pl&fe=sh>

School Nursing Team

Central Bedfordshire Community Access Service

Upcoming Events

Online Workshops for Parents & Caregivers
Click on each to sign up or scan the QR code!

APRIL
15

Supporting your Teenager with Worries around Exams
4-5 PM



MAY
20

Understanding and Supporting your child's Emotional Regulation (5-11 years)
12-1 PM



JUNE
9

Supporting School Transitions
4-5 PM



JUNE
24

Supporting your child's SEND Journey: With Practical support & advice
12-1:15 PM



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CHUMS

YOUNG PEOPLE &
PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS

Our online workshops are designed as a starting point for families with children who have low level difficulties. These are one-off 2-hour sessions conducted virtually via Microsoft teams.

Please note these workshops do not support moderate/severe difficulties and will not address risky behaviours (self-harm, suicidal ideations).

PARENT ANXIETY WORKSHOP

23/4/26 @ 9:30AM - 11:30AM

(For parents of young people aged 5 - 11 years old)

One-off workshop exploring emotional development in children, emotional regulation, psychoeducation around anxiety and anxiety management strategies.

11+ ANXIETY WORKSHOP

27/4/26 @ 4PM - 6PM

(For young people aged 11+, parents also welcome to attend)

This single psychoeducation session explores emotional development in children, emotional regulation, and focuses on anxiety and anxiety management strategies.

EXAM STRESS WORKSHOP

29/4/26 @ 4PM - 6PM

(For young people aged 12+ and parents)

One off workshop which equips teenagers with an understanding of exam stress, strategies for managing exam stress, revision tips and self-care. The workshop also offers parental tips for supporting their adolescent's exam stress.

BEHAVIOUR WORKSHOP

16/6/26 @ 9:30AM - 11:30AM

(For parents of young people aged 5-11 years old)

A one-off workshop that covers the following topics: Emotional development in children, emotional regulation, common behaviour difficulties and strategies to promote positive behaviours.

SELF ESTEEM WORKSHOPS

TEENAGE SELF-ESTEEM

7/5/26 @ 4PM - 6PM

(For young people aged 13+, parents also welcome to attend)

One off workshop which equips teenagers with an understanding of self-esteem and tools to build confidence through thought challenging, relaxation and activities to celebrate strengths and successes. Workshop also offers parental tips for building self-esteem in adolescence.

PARENT SELF-ESTEEM

2/6/26 @ 9.30AM - 11.30AM

(For parents of children aged 5 - 12 years old)

One off workshop which equips parents with an understanding of self-esteem and ways to promote high self-esteem through parenting style and collaborative activities to try at home with their young person.

RESILIENCY WORKSHOPS

PRIMARY

23/6/26 @ 9:30AM - 11:30AM

(For parents of children aged 5 - 11 years old)

This single session explores relevant child development including and provides psychoeducation on mental health vs mental health problems, emotional regulation, anxiety and low mood. You will leave with a greater understanding of your child's needs and armed with strategies to build their resilience.

SECONDARY

29/6/26 @ 4PM - 6PM

(For young people aged 12 - 18 years, parents also welcome to attend)

One-off Workshop that Explores the following topic: mental health vs mental health problems, emotional regulation, psychoeducation on anxiety and low mood, strategies for relaxation with strategies to build their resilience.

SUPPORTING SCHOOL TRANSITIONS

PRIMARY

30/6/25 @ 9:30AM - 11:30AM

27/8/25 @ 10AM - 12PM

(For parents of children aged 5 - 10 years old)

We offer these single session workshops, so that you are ready to go when the new school year begins, whether that is starting a new class, year group or school. These workshops provide psychoeducation to learn about the research behind supporting healthy transitions and you will learn evidence-based strategies to help children start the school year with confidence.

SECONDARY

14/7/25 @ 4PM - 6PM

19/8/25 @ 2PM - 4PM

(For young people aged 11+, parents also welcome to attend)

To register for any of our workshops, please fill in the standard referral form in the 'Any other relevant information' section, state that the referral is for a workshop and include the workshop date.

TENNIS OPEN DAY

LINSLADE TENNIS CLUB, MENTMORE ROAD, LU7 2NY

Free to Try!

Sunday 17th May 2026

2pm to 5pm

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME

- Mini Tennis, Junior Tennis
- Disability Tennis, Adult Tennis
- Ball Machine, court-side cafe
- All run by our LTA Accredited Coaches

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/linsladetennisclub>



BURGER DAY MAY 21ST

MAIN MENU

Breaded Chicken Burger

or

Beef Burger

or

Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill

(Ve) (Free From*)

SERVED WITH

Baked Potato Wedges

Sweetcorn

Coleslaw

DESSERT

Ice Lolly

(Jacket Potato & Cold Options available where applicable)



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Menus are subject to change due to supplier stock availability. * Free from the key 14 allergens and plant based/vegan



KESTREL WAY, PTA

SECRETARY WANTED



WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO JOIN OUR TEAM ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS AND ASSIST US WITH OUR COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

INTERESTED?
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH

What the role entails;

- Assisting the Chair to co-ordinate meetings and plan agendas
- Complete minutes of meetings and share
- Support correspondence, such as letters, emails and posters
- Ensure charity information is kept up to date

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KESTREL WAY, PTA

TREASURER WANTED



WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO JOIN OUR TEAM ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS AND ASSIST WITH MANAGING OUR FINANCES.

INTERESTED?
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH

What the role entails;

- Help identify budgets
- Keep records of spending
- Log everything on a spreadsheet
- Keep an eye on the bank account
- Attend the odd meeting
- Provide an annual report
- Provide info to Charity Commission

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