



Dear Parents and Carers of Greenleas School,
 Today I could completely understand why the group of children had been chosen for lunch with the Head Teacher. Before lunch began they all helped to lay the table, spread the tablecloth and fetch glasses and water for us all, ensuring everybody had something to drink. We had all enjoyed the extra day off for the bank holiday, some visiting the May Fayre.

Please can I remind all parents and carers that we have the same high expectations for behaviour at our clubs as we do in school. If you are paying for your child to attend extra curricular clubs, I am sure you want them to get the most out of your investment by taking part and being collaborative.

I would like to share with parents and carers that I will be taking part in the Milton Keynes edition of the Race for Life on Sunday June 7th in support of Cancer Research and all those members of our school community and beyond whose lives have been impacted by cancer. If you would like to make a donation to this very worthwhile cause, my fundraising page can be [found here](#).

Our pieces of writing this week are from David and Blake in Reception at Derwent Road and Kestrel Way.

Wishing you an enjoyable 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:
 Izzy
Kestrel Way:
 Seyon



Tidy Tortoise

Derwent Road:
 Kestrels
Kestrel Way:
 Wrens



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.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of YouTube which offers a colourful and easy-to-navigate environment that's suitable for young children. This app is easily accessible and available for mobile devices, which can be downloaded without needing the YouTube app on the device. Despite YouTube Kids seeming like a very child-friendly platform, it has raised concerns over its advertising and inappropriate content seeping through the curation process.

- Download the YouTube Kids app and connect your own YouTube channel.
- Input your child's name, age and birth month.
- Select the types of videos you want to include for your child based on their age and your own personal choice.
- If you decide to approve the content yourself, the app will present you with sample videos for you to accept and reject.
- Once you've made your choice, you're ready to use the app!

Advice for Parents & Carers

REMOVE ADVERTISEMENTS

Like YouTube, adverts on YouTube Kids are also quite pervasive. If you decide you don't want your child being exposed to adverts, you can subscribe to YouTube Premium which will remove adverts on YouTube Kids. However, it's worth remembering that this doesn't block adverts that content creators decide to make as part of their content, and children are still able to access channels from branded fast food or toy companies.

BE WARY OF UNSUITABLE CONTENT

YouTube Kids has a far lower chance of showing unsuitable material than YouTube, but there are still reports of malicious users deliberately uploading inappropriate content. It's important that your child feels able to talk to you if they were ever exposed to upsetting content in the future. It's also safest to report inappropriate videos: tap the three dots in the corner of the video and select 'Report'.

DISABLE SEARCH OPTION

YouTube Kids allows you to disable the search feature, which you may find useful in preventing your child from unintentionally finding age-inappropriate content. Doing this will also give you more control over what your child is watching. It's also worth noting that setting an age limit will ensure that your child is only exposed to recommended videos that are deemed suitable for their age group.

RESTRICT VIEWING TIME

The YouTube Kids app provides you with the option of setting up a timer to monitor and limit your child's daily usage, which automatically stops the video when it reaches the set time. It may be best to make use of this feature to prevent screen addiction - which can potentially lead to children staying up too late, affecting their mood and concentration the following day.

MONITOR WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has also made it possible for parents and carers to see what their children are watching on the app by clicking on the 'Recommended' icon on the top right of the home screen. It may also be worth having a look at what your child has recently watched by clicking on their history tab. The red bar on the video shows how much of the video has been watched.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for your child. This may require spending time finding channels and content that you and your child will enjoy and benefit from. Try introducing family sessions where you can share the most enjoyable videos that you and your child have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you and your child many new things to talk about with each other.

Meet Our Expert
 Clare Dodkin (a.k.a. Lundewolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2009, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lundewolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

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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	 Safeguarding Governor	 Dorothy Smith
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LO: To write a noun verb sentence.

caterpillar
catpilu



laying
laining

the catpilu is laining a egg



LO: To write a noun verb sentence.

eeting



caterpillar

The caterpillar is eeting.

SAFETY IN THE SUN

As we enjoy the warmer weather, it is timely to remind everyone about protecting your child against the harmful effects of the sun. Please apply sunscreen at home—there are several brands available that last for the whole day. Any sunscreen sent in to school will be returned as it will not be applied here. Please also provide a named water bottle so your child can stay hydrated.

Provide a named, brimmed hat or cap to protect against heatstroke, and to offer shade to the face and eyes. This is preferable to sunglasses. On hot and sunny days, children without hats will not be allowed to play out in direct sunlight, so please ensure your child has a hat in school. This is also important for PE.

Named sunglasses may be worn, offering UV protection, but not fashion sunglasses. These should be named and are the responsibility of the child. They must be removed for PE unless they are prescription sunglasses or worn for medical reasons. Children may be asked to remove their sunglasses if deemed appropriate for health and safety reasons by a member of staff.

Where possible, please can you avoid sunscreen products with nuts/nut oils. This may be labelled as prunus amygdalus dulcis (sweet almond).

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/840387234/0a3c6c32db?fl=pl&fe=sh>

School Nursing Team



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



GREENLEAS SCHOOL KESTREL WAY ART CLUB!

A friendly club where children make, build and create wonderful artwork to take home and treasure.

Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm

3rd June – 8th July 2026 (6 sessions)

Open to children in Years 2 – 4

£52.50 – including all materials

Bookings open Friday 15th May at 7pm.

Please visit: www.bookwhen.com/loveartandcraft

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GREENLEAS SCHOOL DERWENT ROAD ART CLUB!

A friendly club where children make, build and create wonderful artwork to take home and treasure.

Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm

2nd June – 7th July 2026 (6 sessions)

Open to children in Years 2 – 4

£52.50 – including all materials

Bookings open Friday 15th May at 7pm.

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MEET DOG MAN AND
CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS CREATOR

DAV PILKEY

AT WATERSTONES
PICCADILLY

SUNDAY
10 MAY, 2PM



WATERSTONES

Visit [waterstones.com/events](https://www.waterstones.com/events) for details

EXCLUSIVE GYM PLAY SESSION MAY HALF-TERM



Harlequin Gymnastics, 8, Greaves Way
Industrial Estate, Stanbridge Rd, Leighton
Buzzard LU7 4UB



Wednesday 27th May 2026



1.15pm - 2.45pm



£6 per child (+ booking fee)

**5-14
years old**

Book Online Now!

Click the link in post or scan
the QR code to book!



MAY HALF TERM FARM DAY



The Grange Farm, The Grange Academy,
Halsey Rd, Kempston, Bedford MK42 8AU



Tuesday 26th May 2026



11am - 1pm



£5 per child (+ booking fee)

Book Online Now!

Click the link in post or scan
the QR code to book!



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>



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

ptakw@greenleas.net



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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