



Newsletter

12th June 2026



Dear Parents and Carers of Greenleas School,

It's been a disaster on the Sports Day front so far this year, with only two of our scheduled events taking place and both of those in the hall because the groups of children were small enough. Please be aware that once we have rescheduled your

child's sports day once, if the reserve day is also cancelled, we will then hold the event on the next dry day. I appreciate that's not ideal, but we are trying to avoid having to hold them in the heat of July, or running out of time, which has happened in the past.

Thank you to those who sponsored me for my Race for Life last Sunday. In total I have raised over £700 including gift aid, which is fantastic. It was a very emotional day, and a celebration of all of those in our lives affected by cancer, with lots of survivors taking part and an age range spanning from babies in slings to great grandparents. I ran all 5k, although my speed was admittedly the same as some of the walkers! My personal highlight was when I ran past the choir rehearsing near the peace pagoda, cheering us all along and singing!

Our piece of writing this week is from Amelia from Year 1 at Kestrel Way.

If you are part of the parent forum please look out for your invitation to our next meeting.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Rebecca Clarke,

Head Teacher

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

HUMILITY

Humility is freedom from pride or arrogance, a modest opinion of one's self importance.

"Humility is the solid foundation for all virtues."

Star of the Week

Derwent Road:
Ellie



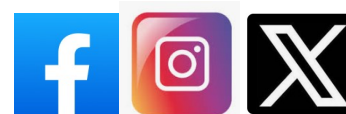
Tidy Tortoise

Derwent Road:

Puffins

Kestrel Way:

Plovers



Safeguarding Matters

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

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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS

bbfc **PEGI**

If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.

RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:

U Universal, suitable for all ages	PG Parental Guidance required	12 Suitable for people aged 12 and over	12A Suitable for people aged 12 and over; anyone younger must be accompanied by an adult
15 Suitable for people aged 15 and over	18 Suitable for people aged 18 and over	R18 RESTRICTED Adult content only available in specially licensed cinemas and specialist retailers	

WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:

3 www.pegi.info	7 www.pegi.info	12 www.pegi.info	16 www.pegi.info	18 www.pegi.info
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PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:

VIOLENCE	DRUGS	GAMBLING	BAD LANGUAGE	SEX	DISCRIMINATION	FEAR	IN-GAME PURCHASES
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LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.bbfc.co.uk Source: www.pegi.info

www.nationalonlinesafety.com Twitter - @natonlinesafety Facebook - /NationalOnlineSafety

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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	 Dorothy Smith Safeguarding Governor
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Hot Write	Narrative – A Warning Tale		w/c 8.6.26
I have...	Steps to Success		
 said my sentences out loud	☒	 used my phonics to spell	☒
 used finger spaces	☒	 read my work	☒
 used some capital letters	☒	used my feedback from last week	☒
 used some full stops	☒	used capital letters and full stops in most of my sentences	☒
Teacher Assessment			
Composed sentences orally and in writing			☒
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			☒

Miss Adams' Friday Writing Club

By Sophie, James and Jake (Year 3 Cranes)

Science Week

Science week was an amazing experience. Everyone enjoyed themselves and there were lots of different activities on offer.

Reception

We watched a video about Mr Fiddler going into space. We did some space walk and did an experiment called Space Caterpillar.

Year 1

We made some robots and paper aeroplanes and tested them out on the playground. It was so much fun.

Year 2

We made an astronauts glove using rubber gloves. We had to repair the gloves using different materials and then place them in water to see if they worked. Mrs Clarke even tried one on!

Year 3

In Year 3 we did lots of activities including straw robots and an astronauts glove. Everything was so much fun.

Year 4

We had a straw made into a 3, 2, 1 puff. We also made a straw robot.

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).

KESTREL WAY PTA

SUMMER BONANZA

THURSDAY 25TH JUNE
3:30- 5:30PM

BOUNCY CASTLE
ICE CREAM VAN
WATER DODGEBALL
CRAFT ACTIVITIES

£10 PER CHILD PAID VIA
THE ARBOR APP BY
TUESDAY 23RD JUNE

COLLECTION FROM
CHILD'S CLASSROOM

GREENLEAS
DERWENT ROAD

SUMMER SOCIAL

2026

Inviting all Greenleas families and friends to bring a picnic and enjoy fun and games after school!

FUN!
GAMES!
FRIENDS!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

THURSDAY 25TH JUNE 2026 3:30 - 5:30PM

Central Bedfordshire Libraries

Central Bedfordshire

READ to the BEAT

The Summer Reading Challenge is an annual challenge run jointly by The Reading Agency and public libraries. This year the challenge is **Read to the Beat**, all about being musical and ties in with the National Year of Reading 2026.

It runs Friday 17th July to Saturday 5th September 2026.

Children are encouraged to read whatever they choose for the challenge, recognising the importance of reading for pleasure in increasing empathy and improving well-being, as well as in children's educational success. The theme this year is all about music! Children will be able to find books linked to their favourite creative arts, and access activities at the library.

The Challenge

- Children must be members of the library service. [Join the library here](#) or go to your local library.
- The challenge invites children to read six library books or more during the summer holidays.
- Children can borrow books or read our e-books, magazines and audiobooks available on our BorrowBox and PressReader app. [More about e-resources](#)
- Families can sign up for the challenge at any library, at any stage in the summer from Friday 17th July.
- Children are awarded a certificate and a medal for reading 6 books.
- Children completing the challenge (6 books) will be entered into a lucky dip at their library for the chance to win a £40 voucher for The Works to buy arts, crafts and books.

Struggle with reading?
We can help!

- For dyslexia, we have collections of shorter books, with special fonts and paper – and great stories.
- The BorrowBox app has special accessibility features, which allow customers to select font, background and font size.
- Picture books aren't just for toddlers! Libraries have collections of older picture books for young readers.
- Get hooked on graphic novels (comic style books).
- Learning to read? Select from beginning to read or short chapter books
- Booklists with lots of ideas available on our Virtual Library [Books and Reading - Children and Teenagers Pages](#)
- Some children (especially boys) prefer non-fiction. Dinosaurs, transport and space are particularly popular.
- Enjoy stories through audiobooks. Free to borrow on CD or download with BorrowBox.

All libraries will have [activities](#) for children available throughout the summer.
All libraries offer a **Treasure Hunt** to children when they complete the reading challenge

SUMMER TENNIS CAMP 2026

Session 1:
Mini Tennis
Age 4-11 years
12-2pm
£60 for 5 day week

Session 2:
Yellow Ball
Age 12-18 years
2-5pm
£90 for 5 day week

Linslade Tennis Club
www.linsladepark.tn.org.uk/LinsladeTennisClub

Week 1
3RD - 7TH AUGUST

Week 2
10TH - 14TH AUGUST

Week 3
17TH - 21ST AUGUST

10% Discount AVAILABLE for SIBLINGS and Members

Includes:

- Fun Tennis Games
- Tennis Coaching Drills
- LTA qualified coaches
- Tuck Shop available
- Age 4-18 years old
- All abilities welcome

To book visit:
www.linsladepark.tn.org.uk/LinsladeTennisClub/Coaching/Camps

Linslade Tennis Club
Mentmore Road, LU7 2NY

For more information contact Head Coach Sara Bamford 07561-571578



Someone in trouble in the water?

Phone 999 to get help

Tell them to stay calm and **float** on their back

Throw rescue equipment to help them
float until emergency services arrive



#RESPECTTHEWATER

A quarry lake can look very inviting on a hot summer's day but can be a killer

The impact of cold water and other hazards can put even strong swimmers at risk.

Remember that warning signs and fencing are there to protect you.

Please choose to enjoy water based activities where it is safe to do so.

If you are in trouble in the water:

'Float to Live'

– tilt your head back with ears submerged. Relax and move your hands to help you stay afloat.

Once you have adjusted to the water look for a place to exit – call for help.

If you see someone in difficulty, resist the temptation to enter the water to try and save them.

PHONE – FLOAT – THROW

PHONE 999 and ask for the Fire and Rescue Service

FLOAT tell them to stay calm and float on their back

THROW them something that floats or find something to reach them and pull them in, wait for the emergency services

 essential materials
sustainable solutions

respectthewater.com | www.mineralproducts.org/Campaigns/Stay-Safe.aspx

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