



Green Lane Primary and Nursery School - Autumn 1 Newsletter

Wednesday 27 October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

As the first half term comes to a close, it always surprises me how quickly those first few weeks go at the start of a new school year. It feels as though we are starting to get into a more 'normal' school rhythm. We are still working in Key Stage Bubbles, but we are mixing more classes at break time and lunchtime, eating in the dining hall and joining together in the hall in our Key Stages for assemblies and celebrations. Our calendar of events is not fully up and running yet, just in case we see things being stepped up again. But watch this space for more information.

Miss Baxendale and I have been visiting classes over the past few weeks and we are really impressed with the learning behaviours that we see around school. Every day we speak with eager and enthusiastic learners and polite and helpful children. It is clear to see that the children are happy at Green Lane. As always it is nice to see parents in the mornings and after school and we hope to do more work together over the year.

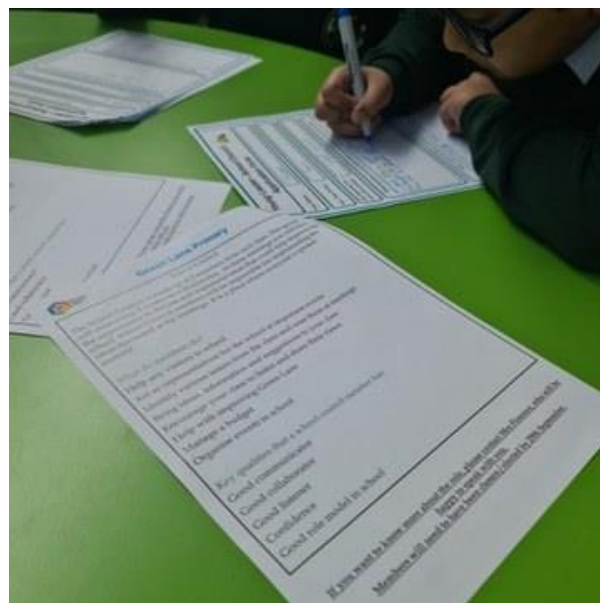
It has been particularly great to welcome our new children that have joined us in Little Buds, Nursery and Reception this year. Our youngest members to the Green Lane family have made a terrific start. We are very proud of them.

Kindest wishes to all

Jane Townend



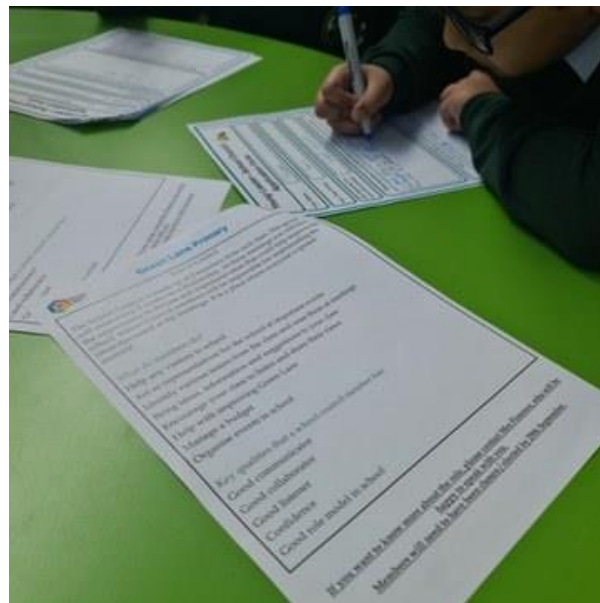
Nurturing our leaders - School Council

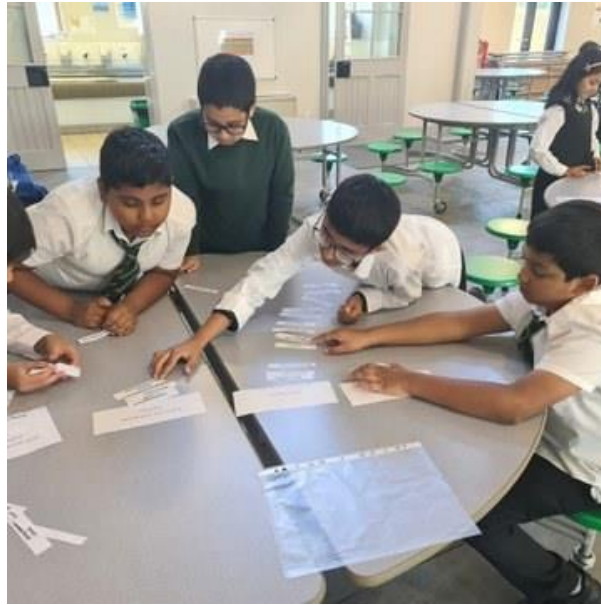


Over the past few weeks, there has been a buzz of excitement around school. In Year 6, they have held their own hustings, including speeches, campaigns and voting, to decide upon our Head Pupils. Further down school, each class has also elected their School Council representatives.

Being a school councillor is a very important role, giving our pupils a voice in helping to shape our school. Participation in the School Council gives children a better understanding of how working together can bring change in school and they also work on how to solve various problems or issues that may arise through the year. We encourage the children to be involved actively in decisions, not just about their own individual learning journey, but about their class and our school as a whole. It helps the children get a better understanding of democracy as a result of these experiences.

Already the School Council have discussed the School Improvement Plan with Mrs Townend, supported our collection of food for the Bradford Foodbank and developed their understanding of what a School Council is. Next half term, they will be looking to fundraise as part of the British Legion and the Poppy Appeal. They will also be working alongside our Mental Health Practitioner, in the hope of supporting their peers with their wellbeing.





School Uniform



The children look really smart in their uniform. So that we don't get a build up in lost property, please ensure that all school uniform is clearly labelled with the child's full name. Also as the cold weather approaches, make sure that your child comes to school in a suitable, warm coat each day. When your child has P.E they can come to school in their PE kit. This should be plain black tracksuit, jogging trousers or leggings and a white polo t-shirt. No logos.

Every child should also be bringing their book bag to school every day.



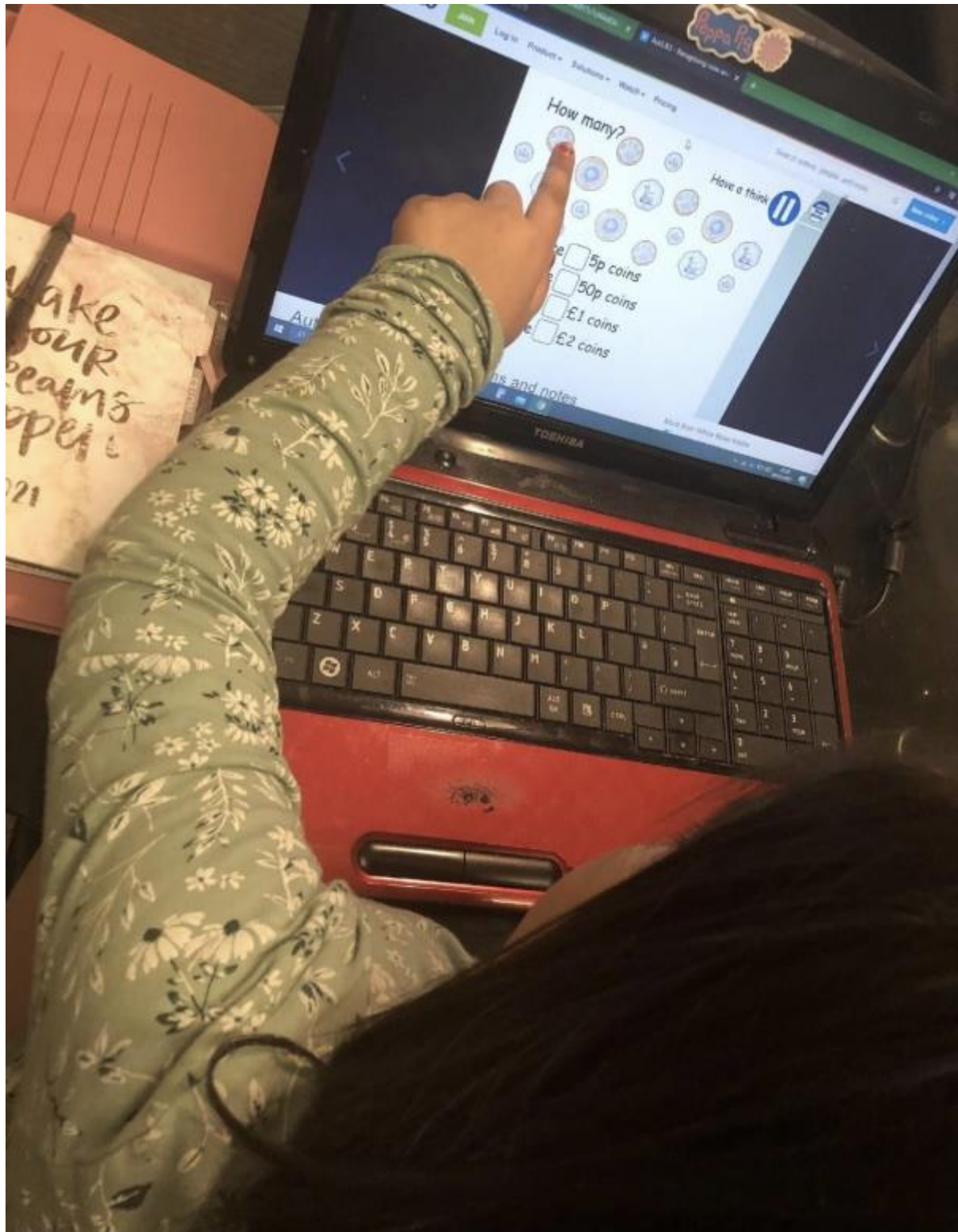
Foodbank Collection- Thank You!



Thank you so much to all those that donated items to our Foodbank Appeal. Your generosity will help so many families this Autumn. We had donations that filled the Sports Hall.

The Bradford Foodbank has asked that I pass on a special thank you to you all for helping to support those that are in need of food. We even had to make multiple trips there was so much!

Home Learning



[Times Table Rock Stars Link](#)



Please take time to make sure that your child reads everyday. Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment everyday not only perform better but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of the world.

Encourage regular, ideally daily, practise of times table facts on Times Table Rock Stars. This helps boost times table recall speed. This helps with many areas of maths.

[Bug Club](#)



1 - Reading can be done anywhere! Follow what your child is interested in whether that be reading online, story books, comics or magazines.

Manningham Library is now back open and can help you.

Fantastic Start to the Year! Here is a taste of what has been happening so far....





2 - Our youngest children learning all about the seasons.





3 - The BBC came and did some filming with our amazing children at Green Lane.



4 - Green Lane Primary was awarded a lockdown award for all that the school had achieved during the lockdown and how we had supported the children during that time.



5 - Year 4 are all learning to play the clarinet!



6 - We've enjoyed getting out on more visits with many more planned in for the year!

