

Greenside Grapevine

Friday 27th February 2026

Dates for your Diary

Please also see the calendar page on our website

<https://www.greenside-sch.org/topic/news-and-events>

February

- 25th Book Fayre (25th-2nd March)
- 27th Year 3 and 4 Brazilian Samba Drumming Workshop

March

- 5th World Book Day
- 11th FROGS Spring Disco
- 12th Year 4 Skipping Festival
- 18th Chameleons Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)
- 20th Red Nose Day (further information to follow)
- 25th Anacondas Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)

April

- 1st FROGS Break the Rules (further information to follow)
- 1st Parent/Carer Evening (further information to follow)
- 2nd Otters Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)
- 2nd Parent/Carer Evening (further information to follow)
- 2nd FROGS Bake Sale
- 2nd School closes to all pupils at 3.15pm**
- 20th School reopens to all pupils at 8.40am**
- 22nd Year 5 Whitby Residential (22nd-24th)
- 30th Year 1 Harlow Carr Visit (further information to follow)
- 30th Penguins Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)

May

- 4th May Day Bank Holiday - School closed**
- 7th Elephants Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)
- 11th Year 6 SATS (11th-14th)
- 21st Year 5 Whitby Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)
- 21st School closes to all pupils at 3.15pm**
- 22nd Inset Day - School Closed**

June

- 1st School reopens to all pupils at 8.40am**
- 4th Class Photographs
- 15th Year 6 Weardale Residential (15th-19th)
- 25th Transition Day
- 29th Foxes Class Assembly 9am (for parents/carers)

July

- 1st FROGS Summer Fayre
- 13th Year 6 Performance 2pm-3pm
- 15th Year 6 Performance 6pm-7pm
- 17th Year 6 Graduation 2pm-3pm
- 17th School closes to all pupils at 3.15pm**

Welcome back to Spring 2, we hope you all enjoyed the half term break and managed to have some quality family time.

We began the week with a thoughtful and engaging visit from our MindMate Team, who work closely with us to support the mental health and wellbeing of our children, families and staff. During their session, the team revisited the *Five Ways to Wellbeing*, helping children reflect on simple, everyday strategies they can use to be connected, active, noticing, giving and learning.



This time of year a meaningful and busy period in the religious calendar for both Christian and Islamic communities. As many observe Lent and Ramadan, we are holding you all in our thoughts and wishing everyone peace, strength, and a sense of togetherness during this special time.



Reminders...

Office Opening Times

The school office opens at 8.30am and closes at 4pm. If you need to contact the office outside of these hours, please leave a voicemail 01132574509 or drop us an email admin.info@greenside-sch.org.

School Meals

Please remember to order your child's school meal via School Grid. If your child is wanting a school meal and you have not placed an order, your child may not receive their meal of choice and may have to wait until the end of service to be provided with their lunch. There has been an increased amount of no orders recently. Thank you for your support with this.

Arbor

All messages are now sent via Arbor. These appear as in-app messages in the bottom right corner and, occasionally, they may have links to further information or permission forms to be completed by parents/carers. Please continue to use the app to keep up to date with your child's activities and ensure you do not miss out on any special awards! Currently, all payments are still submitted via School Money but this will be phased out shortly. We will communicate any further changes in due course.



FROGS Disco

On Wednesday 11th March, FROGS will be holding our Autumn Disco for all children from Reception to Year 6. Places are available to purchase from the school office from Monday 2nd March, until the end of the school day on Friday 6th March. Each 'ticket' will be £4 and includes a snack bag. We are only able to accept cash for the tickets.

You will not be able to purchase tickets from school after this day, but can email frogs@greenside-sch.org to request a place. If you are sending your child to school with money to purchase a ticket, please clearly label this with your child's name, class and if they have any dietary requirements.

Further information on timings and what your child needs for the day of the disco can be found on our website <https://www.greenside-sch.org/newsletters>



Children's Clothes Event for Birth to 12 years old



**Saturday 7th March 2-5pm
at Pudsey Community Project**

Free entry, no fixed prices
Please give a cash/card charity donation
to help us cover costs, thank you.

**Choose to Reuse - Save Money
Help the Planet - Keep it Local**



Find us: Pudsey Community Project, Fartown, LS28 8LP

www.facebook.com/reducereusekidsclothes

www.pudseycommunity.org.uk

Open term-time: Mon to Sat 10am-12noon and Wed 6-8pm

Registered Charity No: 1191152





Attendance

Our attendance target for this academic year remains at 98%. Our whole school attendance from the start of September is 95.38%.

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We would like to thank all our parents/carers for their support in ensuring their child(ren) attend school regularly, on time and ready to learn!

From the start of this half term (23.02.2026), classes have the following late marks on their registers. This includes both L marks (late after 8.45am) and U marks (late after 9.15am).

- Friendly Foxes 2
- Enthusiastic Elephants 5
- Positive Penguins 2
- Outgoing Otters 7
- Confident Chameleons 0**
- Adventurous Anacondas 3
- Persevering Pumas 8
- Tenacious Toucans 2
- Dazzling Dolphins 2
- Creative Caimans 3

Well done Confident Chameleons!

REMEMBER
The class with the least late marks each half term will receive an extra playtime!

REMEMBER
The class with the highest attendance each week will receive an extra playtime!

Class Attendance so far this academic year:

- Friendly Foxes 95.60%
- Enthusiastic Elephants 95.09%
- Positive Penguins 97.03%
- Outgoing Otters 97.80%**
- Confident Chameleons 96.96%
- Adventurous Anacondas 93.46%
- Persevering Pumas 96.05%
- Tenacious Toucans 95.27%
- Dazzling Dolphins 92.73%
- Creative Caimans 94.66%

Well done again Outgoing Otters!

Mindful Messages

This segment on our Grapevine is to support the wellbeing of our families and young people. Mrs Middleton, our Family Liaison Officer, is keen to share services and groups, both local and national.

If you would like any support, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office or by our family support email address familysupport@greenside-sch.org.



You can also find lots of helpful information on our website <https://www.greenside-sch.org/support-for-families/>

Young people can experience low mood for many reasons. This could include developmental or environmental changes, social pressures (both on and offline), family issues, hormonal changes or bullying.

At these times it can be hard for the young person to think of activities that may support them to lift their mood or distract them from their thoughts.

The following pages contain a lovely resource from www.weheartcvt.com. It helps to create a bank of activities to try with your young person.

My List of Meaningful Activities

When we feel low in mood, it can be difficult to plan activities or know what we can do to help us feel better. By creating a list of meaningful activities, it is much easier to choose something to do and make a plan to do it. There are some ideas here which you might want to put on your list but the most important thing is that your list is YOURS - it should be full of things that YOU enjoy doing.



- Draw or create something
- Go for a walk/jog
- Play a game

- Watch favourite movie/TV show
- Take a relaxing bath
- Do some yoga
- Play with a pet
- Read a book
- Video call/chat with a friend
- Bake a cake
- Meditate
- Lay in the sunshine



- Listen to music
- Play an instrument
- Make a meal

- Write in diary/journal
- Go to the cinema
- Go swimming
- Meet with friends
- Go shopping
- Make new friends
- Start a new hobby
- Knit/crochet
- Take dog for a walk



- Make a healthy snack
- Do some exercise
- Spend time with family
- Visit somewhere new
- Go to the beach
- Go out for a meal
- Have a hot chocolate with a family member
- Visit family



- Make a gift for someone
- Go on a bike ride
- Take some photos
- Go for a picnic

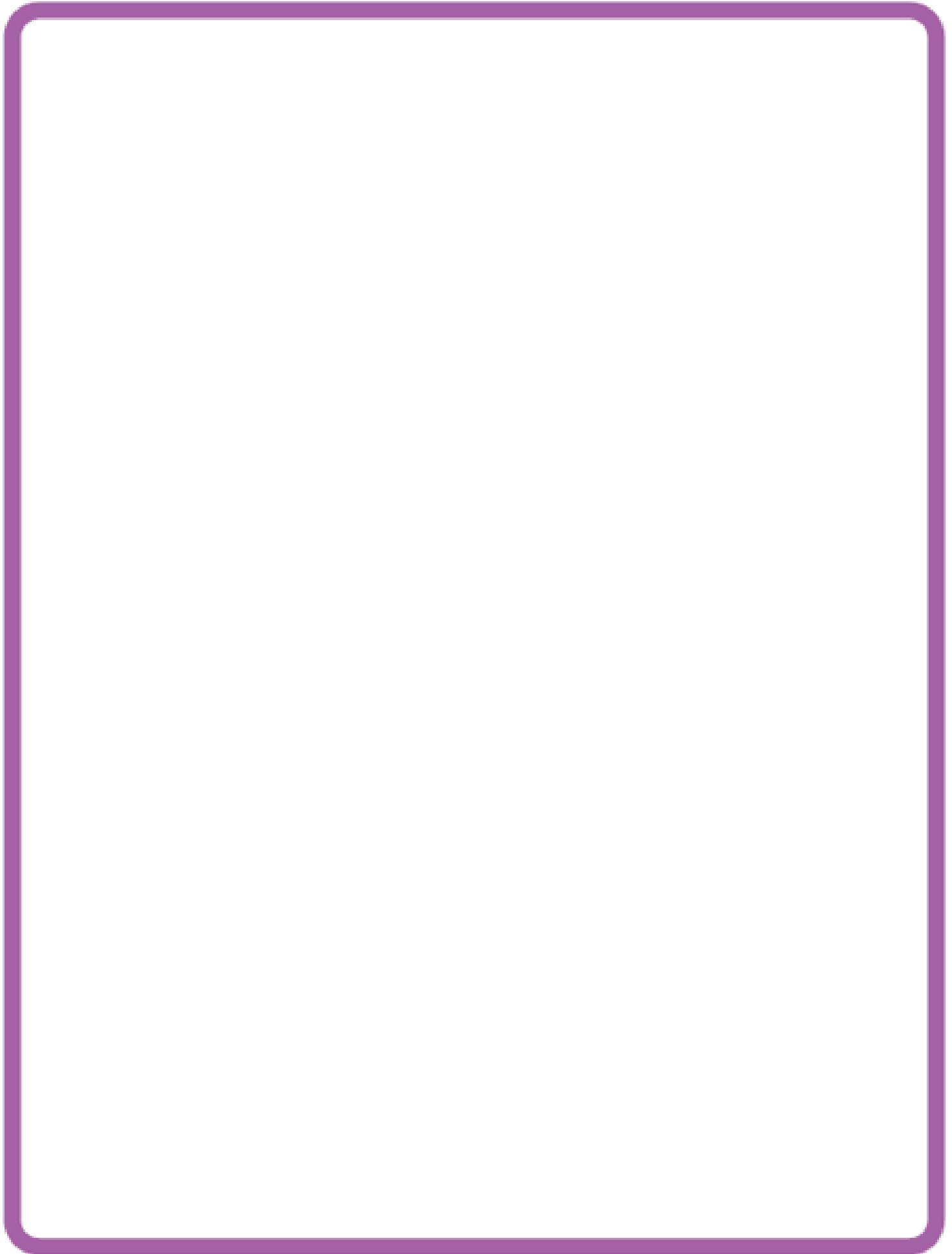
- Do some colouring
- Play some football
- Watch a sports game
- Join a group/class
- Rearrange/organise my room
- Do some gardening
- Go to the park
- Go somewhere new with family
- Write a book/poem/short story



- Plan a trip
- Do a jigsaw
- Dance or sing
- Get dressed up nice

Try to make sure your list has a good mixture of different activities (for example, make sure there's a mix of things you can do with others and things you can do alone, things you can do inside and things you can do outside, things that can be done easily and things that need more planning). This way, you will always have something you're able to do.

My List

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