

# Greenside Grapevine

## Friday 5th June 2026

### Dates for your Diary

Please continue to check the latest edition of the Grapevine as more dates are added.

Please also see the calendar page on our website

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

#### June

- 15th Year 6 Weardale Residential (15th-19th)
- 23rd Year 1 to 6 Sports Morning
- 24th Reception Sports Morning
- 25th Transition Day
- 29th Foxes Class Assembly 2.15pm (for parents/carers)

#### July

- 1st FROGS Summer Fayre
- 6th Year 6 Bikeability (further information to follow)
- 13th Year 6 Performance 2pm-3pm
- 14th Greenside's Got Talent Performance 2pm-3pm
- 15th Year 6 Performance 6pm-7pm
- 16th Reception Trip to Bradford Alhambra Theatre and the Media Museum
- 17th Year 6 Graduation 2pm-3pm
- 17th School closes to all pupils at 3.15pm**

#### September

- Tuesday 1st **Inset Day (school closed to all pupils)**
- Wednesday 2nd **School opens to all pupils at 8.40am**

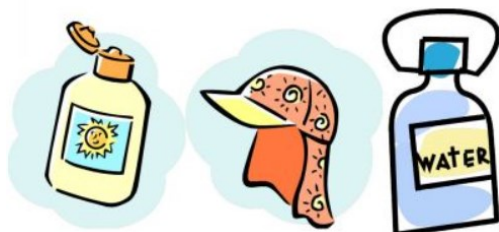


#### Weather

As we enter the final, and generally hottest, half term of the year, please can we remind parents/carers to ensure their children are appropriately equipped for the weather.

Children should have a sunhat and water bottle. We also advise that sun cream be applied before school, and we welcome children to bring their own bottle of sun cream so that it can be topped up at lunchtime.

As the weather remains unpredictable, it is also essential that children have a waterproof jacket in case of rain. Children should also bring their wellies if they wish to access OPAL on the field at lunchtime.



Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year. We hope you all managed to enjoy a well-earned rest and spent time doing the things you love. This half term is always a special one at Greenside, filled with transition, celebration and memorable experiences for all our children.

At Greenside, we pride ourselves on offering a detailed and supportive transition process from the moment children join us in Reception, right through to their move to secondary school. We know that change can bring a mixture of emotions, and our aim is always to meet the needs of every child so they feel confident and ready for their next steps. This half term, we will be welcoming our new Reception children and their families. Their transition begins with a welcome meeting on **Wednesday 17th June, 6-7pm**, followed by home visits and play sessions.

Children in our current Reception through to Year 5 will also be taking part in transition activities, with our whole-school transition day taking place on **Thursday 25th June**. Further information about class arrangements for next year will be shared with you soon.

Our Year 6 pupils have already begun their secondary transition sessions, helping them to become familiar with their new schools and ensuring they feel prepared and confident for the journey ahead.

For our Year 6 children, this half term is full of celebration, experience and enjoyment. They will be heading off on their residential to Weardale, taking part in Bikeability, preparing and practising for their leavers' performance, and finally celebrating their achievements at their graduation. We can't quite believe how quickly the year has gone.

We look forward to a wonderful final half term together.

#### Governing Body Update

Many of you will be aware that we recently had two vacancies for Parent Governors on our Governing Board. We would like to thank all parents and carers who put themselves forward, as well as everyone who took the time to vote. Your engagement and support are greatly appreciated.

We are pleased to announce that Danika O'Connor and Hartley Wilson have been successfully elected and will be joining us at our next Full Governing Body meeting this academic year. We look forward to the valuable contribution and positive impact they will bring to the board as we continue working together to support the school's ongoing development.



## Attendance

Our attendance target for this academic year remains at 98%.  
Our whole school attendance from the start of September is 95.39%.

# 98%

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!

**If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Knowles or Mrs Middleton.**

## Attendance

This week, we handed out an amazing 177 certificates to pupils with over 97% attendance during the Summer 1 half term (20.04.2026-22.05.2026).

When we raised our expected attendance level to 97% at the beginning of this year, we also changed the parameters for the pupils who are eligible for certificates. Instead of taking the data from the start of September each half term, we now take the data solely for each half term. This means children, and parents/carers, are able to monitor and improve on their own attendance from the previous half terms.

The final certificates of the year will take into account data from the whole year. We are looking forward to seeing how many pupils have above 97% for the whole year!

## Class Attendance so far this academic year:

Friendly Foxes 96.18%  
Enthusiastic Elephants 95.01%  
Positive Penguins 96.95%  
**Outgoing Otters 97.72%**  
Confident Chameleons 96.88%  
Adventurous Anacondas 93.14%  
Persevering Pumas 96.04%  
Tenacious Toucans 95.63%  
Dazzling Dolphins 92.51%  
Creative Caimans 94.82%

**Well done Outgoing Otters!**

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

**From the start of this half term (01.06.2026), 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 0**  
Enthusiastic Elephants 2  
**Positive Penguins 0**  
Outgoing Otters 2  
Confident Chameleons 1  
Adventurous Anacondas 4  
Persevering Pumas 3  
Tenacious Toucans 4  
Dazzling Dolphins 1  
Creative Caimans 5

**Well done Friendly Foxes and Positive Penguins!**

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

## Punctuality

Please can we remind parents/carers of the importance of attending school on time and ready to learn. **Doors open at 8.40am and school starts at 8.45am.**



If we compare the last three half terms, we can see that we have improved our punctuality with each one.

**Spring Term 1** shows a total of 2,833 minutes lost across school, averaging 472 minutes per week.

**Spring Term 2** shows a total of 1,680 minutes lost across school, averaging 280 minutes per week.

**Summer Term 1** shows a total of 1,153 minutes lost across school, averaging 230 minutes per week.

We look forward to seeing if we can do even better in **Summer Term 2!**

# 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](mailto:familysupport@greenside-sch.org).

You can also find lots of helpful information on our website

<https://www.greenside-sch.org/support-for-families/>

As a school we work closely with the NHS Mind Mate Support Team. They offer a range of wellbeing support for our young people and parents/carers. We use some of their workbooks within our pastoral sessions and they come into school for our drop in, coffee mornings to support you directly, as well as delivering assemblies to our young people.

The team can also provide more direct support in and out of school by working 1:1 or in groups with young people following a consultation with them. If you would like any further information then please contact our Child and Family Support Team or follow the link below to their website.

<https://mindmate.org.uk/im-a-parent-or-carer/>

# MindMate<sup>©</sup>

## Support Team

# Emotionally Based School Avoidance

West Cluster

Please join us for two  
2-hour EBSA workshops on:

Part 1: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June  
Part 2: Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.30am  
(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Christ Church Primary School  
LS12 3NU



Inner West Cluster  
Working together with schools, parents & carers

## Topics discussed include-

- Introduction to EBSA.
- Understanding safety & Safety behaviours.
- How to support your child through co-regulation
- Communication & Language
- Working together
- The 3 R'S
- Goal setting & relapse planning.

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: [www.bramleycluster.com](http://www.bramleycluster.com)



# Behaviour Support

West Cluster

Please join us for two  
2-hour workshops on:

Part 1 – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June  
Part 2 – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.30am  
(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Park Spring Primary School  
LS13 4QT



Inner West Cluster  
Working together with schools, parents & carers

## Topics discussed include –

- Let's Talk Behaviour, what are you seeing?
- Identifying Triggers
- Emotional Regulation
- Teen behaviours
- Parenting Styles
- Communication and Connections
- Strategies to help

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: [www.bramleycluster.com](http://www.bramleycluster.com)



# Sleep Support

West Cluster

Please join us for two  
2-hour sleep workshops on:

Part 1 – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026  
Part 2 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.15am  
(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Valley View Primary School,  
Coal Hill Drive, LS13 1DD



Inner West Cluster  
Working together with schools, parents & carers

## Topics discussed include –

- Importance of sleep
- Sleepy foods & sleep diaries
- Sleep cycles & recommended sleep
- Self-settling & gradual withdrawal
- Night wakings, night terrors & reducing naps
- Creating positive sleep associations
- Developing routines & using visuals to support
- Adjusting bedtime timings
- Other information & support

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: [www.bramleycluster.com](http://www.bramleycluster.com)

