

Greenfields

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NEWSLETTER ~ 3rd July 2020

HOME/SCHOOL LEARNING

We hope that you enjoyed Week 5 of our Summer 2 Home/School Learning programme:

Week 1 - Stay curious, follow your dreams and never lose your sense of wonder.

Week 2 - Confront your fears and take a chance, mistakes are your best lessons.

Week 3 - Never stop asking questions and seek out the answers.

Week 4 - You are capable of changing a situation, become the explorer of tomorrow.

Week 5 - Transition activities

Week 6 - Transition activities

Week 7 - Celebration

Resources are uploaded onto Seesaw on Friday afternoons for the following week.

If you prefer a paper copy for your family, you can collect that from 9:00 am every Monday; boxes are located at different points on the drive up to and out of school (please take 1 pack per family).

If you need any help, just email: homelearning@greenfieldsprimary.org.uk.

Staff are available between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm every school day to respond to any questions or give advice about any of the work.



GREENFIELDS VIRTUAL SPORTS DAY 2020

Thank you to everyone who sent in their scores from Sports Week and also for the fabulous pictures and videos of the children taking part in the challenge events. We have now added up all of the points and . . .



. . . the winner of Greenfields Virtual Sports Day 2020 is . . .

ALNWICK with 757 points.

BAMBURGH came second with 546 points, **WARKWORTH** were third with 530 points and **CHILLINGHAM** were fourth with 449 points.

Well done to everyone who has taken part ~ we are very proud of you all.

WOODLAND TRUST GREEN TREE SCHOOL PLATINUM AWARD

Over the past two years, led by Mrs Banks, we have been taking part in the Woodland Trust Green Tree School scheme that encourages schools to complete environmental projects and plan outdoor learning.

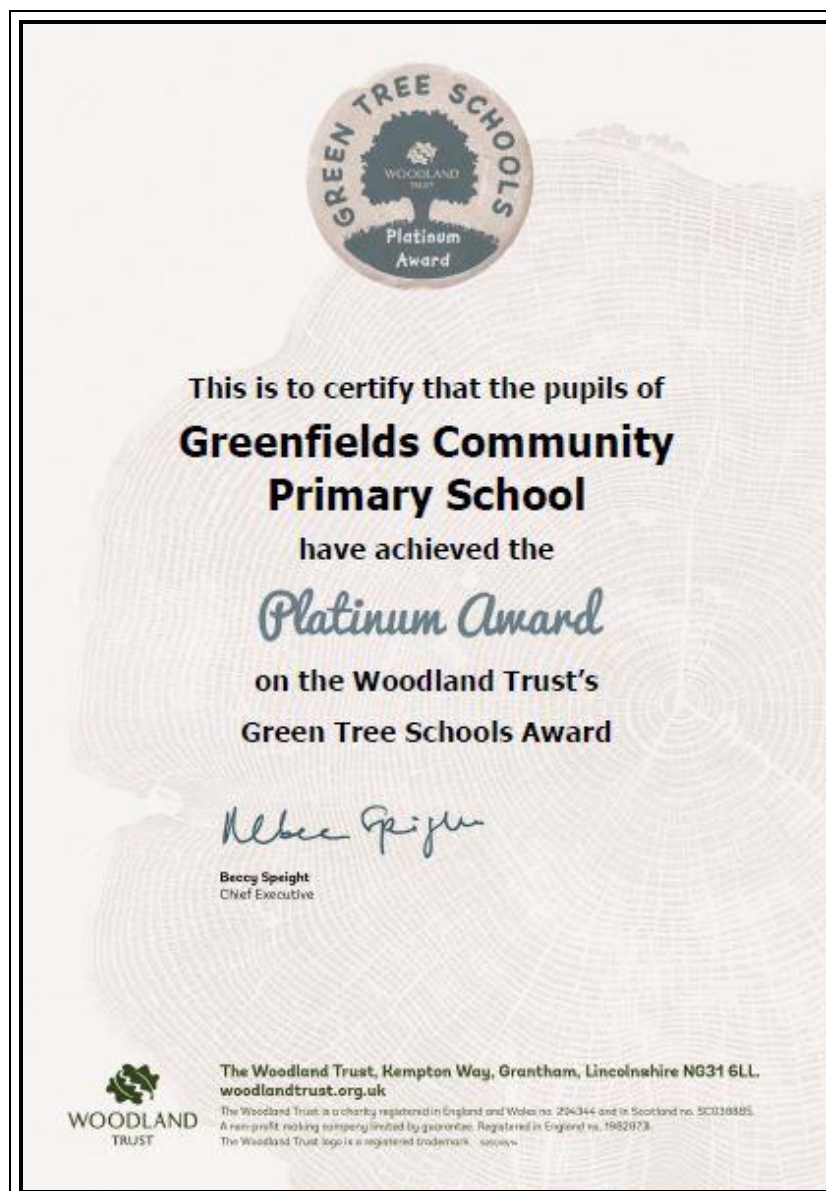
I am delighted to tell you that we have now earned the highest level Platinum Award for the work that we are doing to look after and protect our environment - well done Greenfields!



Karen Letten, Woodland Trust schools and communities engagement manager wrote:

"The Woodland Trust's vision is for a UK rich in native woods and trees for people and wildlife. The charity is dedicated to creating new woodland with help from communities and schools, as well as protecting and restoring ancient woodland for future generations to cherish.

The Green Tree School scheme promotes a range of opportunities, each designed to stimulate a child's imagination and sustain their interest in woods and trees. The achievements of the school are recognised through an awards scheme in which they receive points for taking part in activities. As they reach milestones within the project, they can earn bronze, silver and gold awards, which acknowledge this environmental accolade. Only a handful of schools have moved on to achieve platinum, making this a huge accomplishment for the school."



LOVE READING!

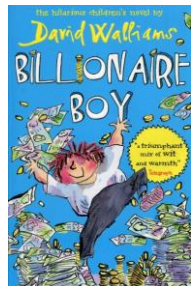
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<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/1009/join-library>



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Here are this week's reading recommendations . . . from the children:



"I read 'Billionaire Boy' by David Walliams at the beginning of year 6 and I really enjoyed it. At the start of the story the boy is always getting picked on, because his Dad works in a toilet roll factory. Then, he has no money, so he invents a special type of toilet paper... Life changes dramatically for the good, but his new invention might pose some problems for some people who use it and his new fortune is put at risk."

. . . and from the staff:

"My recommendation is the 'Revenge of the Toffee Monster' by Susan Gates. I remember buying this book from my primary school's book fair; I was hooked just from looking at the front cover! The main character Lennie is told the dreadful story of Clum, the toffee monster, created by old Mr Butterworth in Victorian times. There are some wonderful descriptions of the creature throughout the book, that really bring it to life. Is he an evil character? Or is he just misunderstood? You'll have to read it to find out..."



FINALLY . . .

The Secretary of State for Education has confirmed that the government are not asking schools to open over the summer holidays, and there is no expectation that schools should open for vulnerable children and children of critical workers over this period either.

Critical workers who need childcare can find information about day-care nurseries, childminders, out of school clubs and other childcare providers that are open and have capacity on the North Tyneside Council website: <https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/496/childcare>



Yesterday, schools received the government's guidance for schools about opening for all children in September.

Mrs Dobson is currently working on plans for how this will work at Greenfields and will send out a letter to all parents before the end of term to explain all the procedures for the different year groups.

Please be aware that there will still need to be staggered start/finish times in September and it may not be possible to have the usual Out of Hours Breakfast or After-School Clubs straight away when the new school term starts.