



Newsletter from the Greenside Film Factory



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Breaking Boundaries
Learning is Everything, Everything is Learning

Date: Friday 25th June

Dear Greenside Parents/ Carers

The sun is out, the rain is falling - who knows we may have a rainbow across Greenside soon!

I hope you are able to enjoy a 'lazy' day with your family and you are making the most of a long weekend even if you can't quite do all the 'normal' things you may wish at this point in time.

We've had a super few weeks at Greenside since we last wrote to you - so many Big Experiences in our STAR Days and enjoying a race to our end of year tests (with plenty of challenges!) as we also bask in the company of our young people and enjoy our time together on site.

Our Greenside Staff are busy already this morning as we prepare for our second CPD Day this week. Yesterday was a day of forensic review as we shared our good practice and self evaluation of the year. Today we shall turn to the academic year ahead and begin our planning for September - how exciting!

We hope you have already heard our Greenside podcast this morning but if not please subscribe and listen - you can hear all about our recent learning, films and progress told by our students on air: do remember this is where we have moved our articles that used to be in your print Newsletter. <https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/radio-greenside/id1545379528> James Tilden will also post some extra, wonderful photographs on our Instagram account today to accompany the stories you listen to on our podcast.

Today George, Robin & I will share a few things that we hope will help keep you informed about life at Greenside for the rest of this term. Do keep checking updates from us over the next few weeks as we try to organize end of year celebrations in the light of the next Government announcements; hoping that some indoor events will be possible before the summer holidays.

1. STAR Day Films at Greenside - Summer Term 2

Our students have been learning through and about their summer term 2 films with our last selection to reflect our Greenside Year of Colour! In EYFS **Ratatouille** has been waving his magic (and mischief). The adventures of **Pocahontas** in Y1 and the many emotions within **Up** have helped Y2 with editing their Writing in particular. **E.T** has come to Y3 and the immensely intriguing **Hidden Figures** is our Y4 text. The colour in **The Life of Pi** has delighted Y5 and, one of my favorite recent films, **The Personal History of David Copperfield** is coming to life in our Y6 classroom space each day. Do check out our plans on the website to see our current concepts and National Curriculum skills and knowledge that we will be covering before the summer holidays.

2. Oliver!

We are looking forward (with some nervousness!) to a delightful evening next Monday (28th June) when we will welcome our families to an outside performance of **Oliver!** The black playground gates will open at 5.00pm and some of our PSA will be selling some pre-show drinks and snacks to the audience.

Please bring a picnic blanket and cushions etc - at the moment seating will be on the ground - we are looking into the possibility of chairs! We will be asking all families to stay in their Bubbles with social distancing between families - sadly, unlocking has not yet taken place and we need to remain vigilant.

A reminder our students performing should be brought to the main Foyer entrance at 5.15pm wearing their **Oliver!** costumes ready to go into makeup. Please remember performers should not be in the playground before the show.

We will begin the performance at 6.00pm and we hope you will enjoy it!

Please make sure you have your tickets with you and stay seated within your Family Bubbles on the evening - we will make

the outside space as Covid- friendly as possible.

The show will, inevitably, be organic and fluid - with so many little ones involved the flow will be less flowing(!) - the main aim is to involve as many young people who want to join in and to enjoy something fun together!

The last student to join the cast will do so on Monday morning!!

As I won't see students on Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday (a long time for some!) please keep them rehearsing a little at home - thank you so much!

We'll Be Back Soon!

3. Curriculum Design

As we plan our September '21 Curriculum we will be looking at the National Curriculum and World Events across the next academic year to see what wonderful occasions we can incorporate into our plans. We will be World Ready & Test Ready and follow our Experiential Learning Model to ensure our students continue to build their English, Maths & Science skills, their foundation subject knowledge and engage in so many key experiences at Greenside: Film Crews, Specialisms and so much more. Of course there are wonderful leaders ready to make the world a better place!

4. Newsletter Stars of the Week

We are recognizing two lovely Greenside students who have made a special contribution to our Community this month.

Mia (Reception) took our duckling home to help them stay safe and looked after them beautifully. **Yasin** (Y5) took our plants home and did an equally fab job. Thank you to our students and their families.



6. Class Teachers - September 2021

I hope you all received our email announcing our September Class Teachers. We hope you will say 'hello' to your daughter/son's new Teacher around the site.

Nursery	Sophie McDonagh-Londy
Reception	Christina Morra (EYFS Leader)
Y1	Laura Vandepas
Y2	Laura Gilroy
Y3	Hannah Findlay
Y4	James Tilden
Y5	Emma Hancock (Daniel Mahara each Wed)
Y6	Ciara Finney

7. Dates

Please keep an eye on updates on the schedule below!

1. Message from the Head of School

Dear Greenside families,

These last couple of weeks have been very competitive ones at Greenside as we've accepted the challenge of the TEFAT Olympics! This is an initiative being run across the whole of the Elliot Foundation to try and engage schools in some friendly sporting competition through the summer. All classes have to compete in 3 events: Throwing the 'Nerf Howler', a standing jump and a 40m sprint. Students have been using their PE sessions to practice their skills before recording 3 official attempts for

each event. The top 3 girls and top 3 boys for each event in each year group will have their names put forward to compete against other schools' top students in an area competition against other Elliot Schools from London. At this point, they get another crack at recording 3 more attempts. These get shared and if they make the cut - they go on to compete against the best from the Elliot Foundation from around the whole of the country! So, we could well have some of the Elliot Foundation's best athletes in our midst! We'll soon find out and even if we don't, it's been great fun anyway.

This brings us to the inevitable question of school sports days. Many schools in Hammersmith & Fulham have chosen not to have any type of sports day this year while some have chosen to hold them behind closed doors in school and a few have chosen to hold them with a small number of parents/carers invited under strict guidelines. We would like to be able to invite you in to see a much smaller version of our usual sports day but at least it will be one we can enjoy together. We must make sure we are putting everyone's health and safety first but with the current guidance, and your support, we believe we can put together something small but fun. It won't quite be the whole school event at Ravenscourt Park that we would all like but we have to make the best of the world we are living in at the moment. We are aiming for Week 6 and will be in touch with further information soon.

Robin Yeats - Head of School

2. Message from Ms Webber

Things are getting very exciting in our school kitchen this half term! Flavour is really important to us as is the integrity of the products we use. We want to know if the vegetables we use have been grown with love? Are they in season right now? have they been grown sustainably? Is the packaging environmentally friendly? We have been working with a new supplier - Natoora, who are able to supply us with a more diverse range of fruit and vegetables. Sofia and her team have produced some really delicious dishes which have gone down really well. We have been able to offer fantastic Cuore Vesuvio tomatoes from Calabria, Carosello cucumbers from Italy that taste of lemon, Friggitelli peppers, English strawberries, asparagus from Worcester and we even had an 'edible garden' featuring 'soil' made from olives and breadcrumbs, 'grass' from wild garlic mayonnaise all garnished with fresh pea pods, radishes, leafy carrots and edible flowers. All this leads me nicely onto attendance. Attendance? How is that connected to food I hear you say? Well at Greenside we love to reward good attendance with good food. Last week our Y5 class achieved 100% attendance so they were invited to a special lunch where Mr Yeats treated them to a salad of smoked burrata and chive flowers along with some delicious vintage cheddar supplied by Neals Yard Dairy. Oh to be a Greenside student!

It is that time of year where we have to think about saying goodbye to our wonderful Y6 students. By now our Y6 families should all be aware of the celebration events coming up but just in case here is a reminder:

Tuesday 13th July

Activity Day at Ravenscourt Park - students only.

Wednesday 14th July

BBQ & Party: this will take place straight after school - students only.

Tuesday 20th July

Y6 Production Afternoon & Evening Performances - maximum 2 guests per household (Covid restrictions)

Afternoon performance - 2.00pm

Evening performance - 6.00pm

Wednesday 21st July

Y6 Graduation with Tea & Cakes 9.00am - this will be outside and Y6 families are welcome to join us for the Graduation event in the playground. This will be followed up by a tea party to celebrate our time together at Greenside!

3. Dates for your Diary (Subject to change - if Covid guidance changes)

Monday 28th June	6.00pm	Greenside performance of <i>Oliver!</i>
Thursday 1st July	All Day	New Nursery Meetings with Parents/ carers
Friday 2nd July	TBC	Sports Day in Bubbles
Tuesday 6th July	All Day	New Reception Meetings with Parents/ carers

Wednesday 14th July	3.45pm	Y6 Barbeque & party
Thursday 15th July	TBC	Film Crew - New Society Family sharing
Monday 19th July	9.00am	Reception Graduation
Monday 19th July	3.45pm	Y6 Family Tea Party
Tuesday 20th July	9.00am	Y2 Graduation
Tuesday 20th July	3.30pm	Student end of year reports sent home
Tuesday 20th July	TBC	Y6 Performance for Families
Wednesday 21st July	9.00am	Y6 Graduation
Wednesday 21st July	3.30pm	End of the academic year - happy holidays!
Friday 3rd September	8.55am	Autumn Term begins for our Greenside students

Hope to see you all on Monday evening for **Oliver!**

Karen



Karen Bastick-Styles – Executive Head