



# Greenbank Weekly News



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## Hello to all of our Greenbank families—we hope you are safe and well.

In what has been the most difficult and unsettling period of time we have ever known, we are so impressed by the way that everyone is coping. We are looking forward to the day when we can all safely be back together. This week you have received a letter from school regarding re-opening. We want to re-iterate that we have been, and will be, following all guidance given by the Local Authority, and our main priority will be to ensure the safety of our children and staff. If you could not access this letter on Parent App, you can access it here:

<https://www.greenbank-primary.co.uk/parentscarers-letters/>

We really value your opinion during this time. Please take a few moments to respond to this survey about your feelings about school re-opening and home learning. Thank you to all parents who have contributed so far—the results will help us plan and prepare for school reopening safely, and help us improve home learning next half term.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WYQMSHD>

## Keeping in touch

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If you need to get in touch with a member of staff for support or advice, please do not hesitate to do so via the school email address above and it will be forwarded to the relevant individual where appropriate. You may have to be a little patient for a response but we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Teachers really love seeing and hearing about the amazing work you are doing at home. Please share this with your class teachers on Twitter.

We are looking at different ways of communicating with parents and pupils about home learning. You will hear more about this after half term.

## Hub Schools



Although our own school building may have been closed, staff at Greenbank have continued to work at the hub school, based at Liverpool College. Alongside colleagues from Liverpool College and Lawrence Road, we have been continuing to care for vulnerable children from a range of Liverpool schools in addition to children of keyworkers. The Liverpool Hub Schools close on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, so we just wanted to take the opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the staff who have provided a positive and well organised provision where children have spent time on creative and outdoor activities. Our staff favourite was Forest School!

A very special mention to all our NHS and keyworker parents—we admire you for your resilience and positive attitudes and we are so thankful to you for helping our city during this unprecedented time.

## Home Learning

Thank you for keeping up to date with the weekly Home Learning Projects via your child's class page on our school website. Each week's project is uploaded by class teachers before the weekend so there is time to prepare for the week ahead. There is also a Lockdown Resources section of the website providing advice to parents on home learning, and offering further resources for all curriculum areas.

We want to let you know that we appreciate how hard home learning can be, especially if you are a parent or carer working from home. Do what you can, and in whatever way works for you and your family.

We do recommend that children have a structure to their day and they continue to actively learn—this will make returning to school routines much easier when this happens.

Teachers have tried to make Home Learning Projects as practical and creative as possible, so that children have opportunities to be away from a screen. We hope that you have been able to enjoy being able to get out safely for some outdoor exercise; it's brilliant for your family's physical and mental health.

Any questions, please get in touch.



On Twitter, Ms Rowlands has been setting a daily Guess Who Challenge! In case you haven't seen them, can you guess which member of Greenbank staff each of these four photographs belong to?



Over the past couple of weeks, Greenbank teachers have been making Wellbeing Calls to our wonderful children. It has been so lovely to speak to both parents and children and find out about how you have been doing during this strange and uncertain time. If you missed our call, we want you to know that we miss you and we hope you and your families are safe and well.

More than anything we want you to know that we are all still here and thinking about all of you and your children. We can't wait for the time we will all be together as a Greenbank community again.

