

“Council of Councils”

Report by Maisie B and William B

On Tuesday 6th November the Y5 and Y6 councillors went to Greetland Primary School to meet up with School Councillors from six other primary schools.

We talked about anti-bullying week. We have changed the name to friendship week as we thought that the word 'bullying' sounded negative and we wanted to make it positive. We will be doing leaflets, posters and assemblies.

- Some of the ideas from the meeting included: 'Peer mentors' - who are people the same age as you giving you advice;
- Text books about bullying;
- Role play and drama about bullying;
- A website so you can contact if bullying is a problem.

At our next meeting we, the councillors, will be deciding what we are going to do for our positive behaviour and anti-bullying week at Old Earth later this month.

Old Folk Luncheon

On Weds 28 Nov the Old Folks' Luncheon is taking place in the hall. The menu has been set as a 'Roast' and Pudding.

Following the meal with the children from Year 5, guests will be able to enjoy board games and a visit from the school's Oaks choir.

Book your free tickets in the office or through class 11 or 12.



Burying 100's of bulbs!!

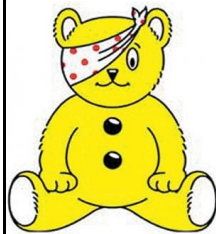
Supporting Charity

Thank you so much for the hundreds of buns and biscuits you donated for the coffee morning



This morning we held a Coffee Morning in aid of **MacMillan**. It was great to see so many parents and children in the eco Extension enjoying a cuppa and supporting this amazing charity. The Year 3 & 4 children raised over £300 this morning **—well done!**

MacMillan Coffee Morning



Next Friday—16th November—is **Children in Need** day. As usual, our school council have organised a fundraiser... this year the children should come 'Spotty' - If you don't own spotty items, please do not go out and buy things, just paint, colour, felt tip, spray etc old clothes / faces / hair. Any donation you wish to make can be handed in to class

teachers. The **Tuck Shop** takings will also be donated to Children in Need, as will a staff collection as will last week's pennies from the Guy.

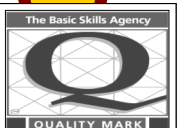
Children in Need

Gym Greats



These 5 amazing gymnasts—Abby, Emily, Alex, Fin & Morgan—all took part in the Yorkshire Tumbling & Acro Finals in Bartsley last weekend. All performed really well and we had one gold (Alex); one silver (Fin); and one bronze (Morgan)

Old Earth School Newsletter



Keeping Safe

Every year we have a bank of activities, visitors trips and events to help the children understand how they can keep themselves safe.

At this time of year we look at the dangers of :

- Dark nights;
- Road Safety & pedestrian skills;
- the Internet; and
- Bullying.

We look at how the children can recognise the dangers and then we give them the skills and strategies to keep themselves out of harms way.

On a similar message—just look at this piece of thoughtless and dangerous parking outside school earlier this week. Once again, I cannot emphasise



enough the need for ALL parents to adhere to law and use their common sense when parking. This picture shows one of **our** parent's car being double

parked AND blocking the entire pavement ... this forced dozens of parents and children to walk in the road.

A blown up version of this picture has been sent to the police.

NOTICEBOARD

MOVEMBER : Some of you may have noticed a moustached headmaster around school this week. Mr Reynolds is supporting the male cancer Charities by—well looking ridiculous ! You can support him and the charities by sending in a donation or logging on to his Movember page on :



<http://mobro.co/paulreynolds6>

EXTENDED SCHOOLS ROAD-

SHOW : Is your child looking for a new sport or activity? Go along to this road show at Park Lane High School on Thurs 22 Nov between 5.30pm and 7.30pm. Find out what your child can do—activities and sports from all around Calderdale.

REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLY : Class 10 performed a moving assembly on Thursday this week. Thank you for the informative and thought provoking service.

PTFA RACE NIGHT : Sadly, this event has had to be cancelled—we only had 17 staff and parents on the list :(

THIS WEEK

Monday : Mrs Holden on an 'Early Intervention' course; Oliver Started in Y4;

Tuesday : Academy Council of School Councils meeting; PTFA 'Ideas' meeting

Wednesday : Mrs Hiley & Mrs Wilde attended a 'Food for Life' course

Thursday : Class 10's Remembrance day Assembly; Mrs Rickatson and Mrs Calcott on a Special Needs training course

Friday : PTFA Race Night **CANCELLED**

Monday : Y2 to attend Pedestrian Skills workshops; Class 7 trip to the Mining Museum

Tuesday : Class 8 trip to the Mining Museum

Wednesday : Class 9 assembly for parents (note Weds not Thurs this week—due to school hall being use for Polling Day); Sharon, our school nurse, in school holding healthy eating workshops for the children in classes 7 & 8

Thursday : Polling Day—School is OPEN as normal

Friday : Mr Calderwood attending a Literacy Course

Weekend : Little Earth is being decorated—session 1 of 2.

NEXT WEEK

RAISE ONLINE

RAISE Online is the data pack that is used by school, Ofsted and other agencies to measure our academic successes and failures.

This week we have just received our RAISE document for last academic year. It looks closely at the progress and attainment across all key stages in school.

At first glance we are delighted with its findings, with the vast majority of outcomes being identified as being in the top "Significantly Above" category.

We look forward to a similar year in 2012—2013 !!!

I.J. Joinery

All aspects of joinery work undertaken :

Kitchens designed & fitted; Old Kitchen rerurbishments

Home Improvements; Garage conversions, UPVC windows & doors

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Free Estimates and advice

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