



Greenvale School Newsletter

December 2019



NOTABLE DATES 2019—2020

Thursday 19th December
Break up for Christmas

Monday 6th January
Return to school

Friday 14th February
Break up for half term

Monday 24th February
Staff development day

Tuesday 25th February
Return to school

Disco

The annual Greenvale family disco took place on Friday 6th December. There was a great atmosphere on the night with DJ Mark Richardson, a former Greenvale student, getting everyone into the Christmas mood!

We had a raffle with the main prizes of a television and an IPOD, being donated by Bouygues and Covue IT, our premises management and IT provider.

We also sold a selection of Christmas goods donated by the company Gisela Graham.

A great big thankyou to everyone who came to the disco and all of those who helped to make it a success.



Jack Petchey

Our Jack Petchey award winner this half term was Bidemi.

Bidemi has made great progress with his receptive and expressive communication. He listens to and follows instructions very well. Most recently, he has been working on his ability to communicate his needs and wants though gesture and appropriately gaining the attention of staff. He has also improved his levels of independence and can now travel to familiar areas of the school more calmly and with reduced levels of support. It is also worth mentioning that Bidemi always has a smile on his face and is a very happy young man!

We would like to congratulate him on the fantastic progress he has made. Well done Bidemi!



KS5 Gardening Club

Students in KS5 are keen gardeners at all times of the year. Here they are planting herbs indoors, measuring growth.



Heads Message

Once again it has been a busy half term with dance festivals, trips, awards and much more. It is fantastic to see how well our new students are doing and how mature our Key stage 5 students have become. I would just like to say a few thank you's at the end of term. Thank you to all parents who have attended EHC reviews, medicals, concerts, discos and any other school events. We very much appreciate your support and help in providing the best possible education for our young people. Also thank you to all of our amazing staff who give so much to our young people. Thank you also to our students for working so hard and doing their best. Lastly to all our young people who make Greenvale such an exciting and rewarding place to work. They never cease to amaze and inspire us and we are always delighted by their progress.

Over the Christmas break we are going to start some work on the offices at the front of the building. This will be completed in February half term so that it does not interrupt the school too much. We will be creating a proper waiting space with seating for parents and visitors. This will mean parents and visitors no longer have to wait in the corridor and will be able to wait safely and comfortably, away from the school ensuring the safety of our young people. We will keep you updated of our progress.

If you have a spare moment over Christmas then why not find the parent view link on the OFSTED page of our website and rate the school. It will help us to see what you feel we are doing well and also how we can improve. Thank you again for your support.

We look forward to seeing all of our students back in January.

Merry Christmas from everyone at Greenvale!

Lynne



Changes to Inset days

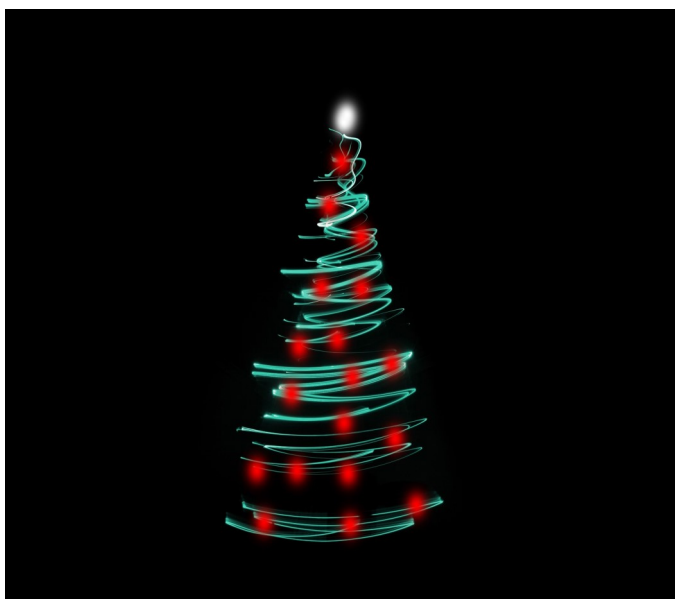
A new pink Greenvale Holiday dates 2019—2020 has been sent home with new Inset days included on it. The inset days are now:-

Monday 24th February 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

Tuesday 21st July 2020

Please amend these dates in you diaries.



*Merry
Christmas*

