

Questioning by Year 2

As a way of developing our questioning learning muscle, in 2J we wrote questions that we would like to find the answers to in preparation for our trip to Avoncroft Museum. Here are some of our questions about the Windmill.

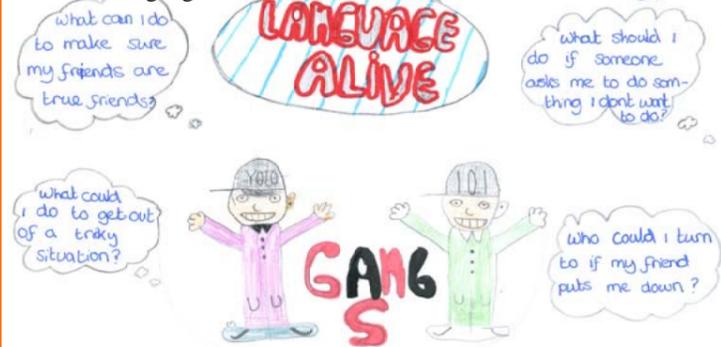


How does the windmill crush the wheat? Ethan Ali
What materials is it made from? McKenzie Belcher
Why does the windmill have blades? Millie Smalley
When was it built? Aimee Woolley

SATs IN THE FUTURE 2014

As we are awaiting dates for next years KS1/2 SATs **please do not book a holiday at any time during the period from Easter until the May half term.** Especially if your child is currently in Year 1/5.

Year 6—Language Alive



Language alive performed a powerful play about gangs. It made us really think about peer pressure and how to make sure we don't just follow the crowd. Here are some of the questions we focussed on in EA.



WOW!

A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated to the Bags2school collection before half term. There will be collections again in the new school year so watch out for the new dates.

Dates to remember:

Fete—Saturday 22nd June 2013

Quiz Night—Friday 12th July 2013

New Intake BBQ—Friday 19th July 2013

Thanks for your continued support. Friends of Green Meadow.

Saturday, 22nd June 2013
SUMMER FETE
Fun for All !!

Please put this in your diary

SCHOOL ITEMS FOR SALE

We now stock the following items for sale :-

Shoulder Book Bags (with strap)	@ £4.50 each
Book Bags	@ £3.50 each
Baseball Caps	@ £2.50 each
Legionnaires Caps	@ £3.00 each
Wool hats	@ £3.50 each
Swimming Caps	@ £1.50 each
PE Bags	@ £2.00 each

If you would like to view any of these items then please contact Mrs Hammond or Mrs Johnson in the School Office.

DATES REMINDER

New Pupils Parents' Meeting
June 19th @ 2.00 p.m.
Summer Fete
Saturday, 22nd June 2013
Transition Day
(Moving up to the next year)
Wednesday, 3rd July
Reports to Parents
Thursday, 4th July 2013
Junior Sports Day
Friday, 5th July @ 2.00 p.m.
Infant Sports Day
Monday, 8th July @ 2.00 p.m.
Rec-Yr1 Transition Meeting
Wednesday, 17th July @ 9.00 a.m.
Yr2-Yr3 Transition Meeting
Thursday, 18th July @ 9.00 a.m.
School Closes for Summer Holidays
Tuesday, 23rd July 3.25/3.30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Building Learning Power... The story continues

As you will have recently discovered we have introduced and are developing skills through Building Learning Power. The children are working hard to develop and master their perseverance and collaboration muscles. Last half term we began developing our revising learning muscle, followed this week with our questioning learning muscle.

Revising

This learning muscle helps our children to be flexible in their learning. It encourages them to review their progress and make changes if necessary to improve or change the activity they are undertaking.

Questioning

Children are curious about things and people. This learning muscle helps them get below the surface of things and come up with their own conclusions.

You can help your child develop BLP these learning muscles at home by:

- Demonstrating how you change and adapt ideas at home.
- Talking about how you feel when you change the way you are doing things and how this improves your task.
- Praising your child when they revise or question.
- Demonstrating / modelling being a good learner.
- Asking questions about topics you are less familiar with.
- Talking about what you want to find out and why?
- Modelling asking questions.

Working, playing and learning alongside your children, enabling them to pick up good habits through copying you.

Happy Learning!
Mrs McNickle- Edwards

PREMISES DEVELOPMENT

As part of our School Development Plan 2013/2014 we are having new heating boilers installed. The Governing Body have taken this decision in order to plan ahead and avoid having to close school in the future when inevitably the existing boilers (which are as old as the school—over 50 years!) break down. They have been running on their 'last legs' for the past 10 years! New gas fired boilers will also be more eco-friendly and should half our existing fuel bills. Work will be undertaken during this summer term. Essential gas pipe work will start from Wednesday 12th June. Please be aware of this work at the main entrance to school and that this may affect pathways for a short period of time. Please take extra caution when walking onto the school site and when driving / parking near school.

Building Learning Power—BLP in school



We used our collaboration learning muscle to work together to explore the different methods used by sculptors. As we worked together we also used our revising learning muscle to adapt and change our sculpture to make it better.



I used my perseverance learning muscle to help me count in twos.

PLAYGROUND EXPECTATION

Please can I remind all parents that while waiting with children before or after school they should be mindful of their interactions with other parents. As adults, we are all the role models for the children and, in their interests, parents should not be approaching each other with disagreements that may be heard by our children. The school site is not the place for personal difficulties with other parents to be discussed or aired.

If you have any worries concerning your child at school, please do not hesitate to share them with staff as soon as possible. We ask that you arrange to speak with class teachers at the end of the day, when they have more time and are not welcoming or dismissing the children. If you have something you wish to inform school of urgently, or in confidence please phone the school office to make an appointment or email—enquiry@greenmeadow.bham.sch.uk
Thank you for your co-operation.

CAR PARKING

Despite our pleas to parents to park responsibly, we still have incidents involving cars and children. Cars should be parked appropriately: not double parked, nor on pavements. Please leave enough time to get to school to park safely and on time. We ask that at peak times of the school day that cars do not drive up to the gates and then back out onto Green Meadow Road. We do not want any Green Meadow pupils to be unnecessarily hurt; your actions can prevent this from happening. Please consider these issues when deciding when and how you will get to school. The PCSO's now patrol the roads around the school and have a zero tolerance policy to illegal parking. If you notice any dangerous driving / parking please note down the car registration number and contact the police on 101.



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