



THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 19th November

SHOUT OUTS TO

Dove Tree Class, Mustakim – Happiness, settling into The Grove so well with a smiley, happy attitude. Bonnie-Rose, Learning, super adjective writing.

Lilac Tree Class, Pandora, Happiness, an amazing start in our class this week, coming in with a smile. Idris, Individuality, showing his love of maths with explanation of his understanding

Lime Tree Class, Erin, Love, being so kind and caring welcoming a new member of class. Dylan, Learning, super adjective writing, always trying to do your neatest handwriting.

Willow Tree Class, Moby, Learning, fabulous, expressive reading in class. Maisy, Happiness, for being a kind member of the class.

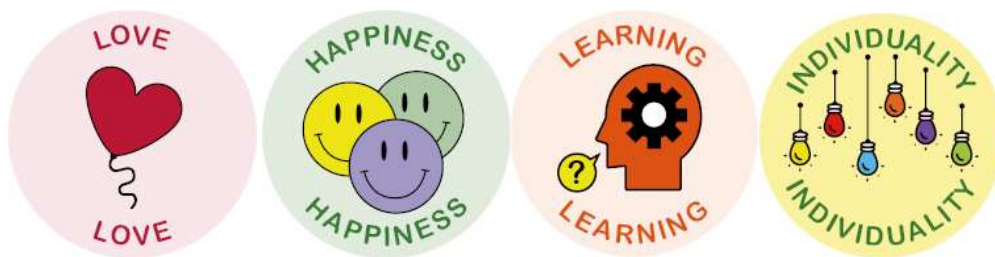
Mountain Ash Tree Class, Sofia, Learning, great attitude to her work, super presentation, progress and focus. Riley, Individuality, such a pleasure to have in M.Ash, such an incredible mind, we're so proud of you.

Juniper Tree Class, Ferial, Love, for always coming into school so positively, loving everything we do. Arlo, Happiness, always having a smile and bounce in his step!

Flame Tree Class, Elspeth, Happiness, you try so hard with everything you do, so happy you are a Flame member. Harper, Learning, Thank you for trying so hard this week – such focus!

Ginkgo Tree Class, Ruby, Learning, a magnificent mathematician! Oscar N, Communication, an active member of class discussions, it's been great to hear your ideas this week.

Trumpet Tree Class, Ewan, Learning, a maths whizz! Great sharing of your ideas in maths. Iris FW, Love, such a wonderful friend, supporting those around you,



Don't have time to read all the newsletter?

Here are the essentials in summary:

- ☺ School photo ordering reminder
- ☺ Christmas Fair and Mufti next Friday - PTA would like raffle prizes, unwanted gifts, bottles
- ☺ Trumpet Tree bake sale this Friday

More info on all these below or ask at the front desk



School photo ordering reminder

A reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Thursday 27th November. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555

PTA NEWS

We have a super exciting year ahead, jammed packed with events - old and new!

Please put these dates in your diary and watch this space for further information!

Remember - if you are up for helping with any event, please let us know by emailing jennir@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Join the Facebook page too: The Grove School PTA





Cake Sale

This Friday is Trumpet Tree class! We look forward to their delicious treats!
After school on the field. Cakes are 50p each (card/cash)

This is the last cake sale this year. Thank you for all your support.

LANTERN MAKING 23rd November

This Sunday. 11.00am – 1.30pm. A free event in the school hall.

Come along for some family fun to make lanterns for The Totnes Lantern Festival. Funky Fish theatre. This is a parent and child activity. (not a drop off)

CHRISTMAS FAIR & MUFTI – Next Friday 28th November

Acorns and Year 1/2 – Please could you bring in cakes, biscuits etc.

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 – Please could you bring bottles, chocolates, shower gels, body sprays etc for the tombola.



We are still also in need of:

- ☐ Pre loved teddies/cuddly toys needing a new home
- ☐ Tombola – unwanted gifts, bottles, chocolates, stationery, any new items
- ☐ Christmas jumpers or Christmas clothes (adults, childrens and toddlers)
- ☐ Year 6 Stall good condition toys, books and games please

Drop everything into the front entrance or give to the staff on the field.

THANK YOU



CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

New date of Friday 5th December @ 7pm in the school hall. Includes mulled wine and mince pies.

£20 per person, please book and pay for your place by the 21st November – cash/card, forms are at reception.

Places are filling up!

Raffle

Please return tickets and money by next Friday

If you are a local business and you could donate a raffle prize we would really be grateful – drop in to the front desk or email in to helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk



The Grove School PTA Facebook Page

The Grove School PTA Facebook Page will also keep you up to date on events - e.g. discos, fundraisers, bake sales etc.

Dates for your diary this term <http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/calendar/256154>

Choir club singing at Christmas lights switch on – Tuesday 25th November 3.20pm (leaving school at 3pm)

PTA Christmas Fair – Friday 28th November 5-8pm

Year 3/4 Christmas Production - Tuesday 9th December @ The Ariel Centre Performances are 1.30 and 6pm.

Reception Nativity – Tuesday 9th December in the hall at 2pm

Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance - Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December at 2.15pm

Choir club parents performance in hall – Friday 12th December at 3.15 after school

School Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 17th December

Kind regards,

Hilary Priest

Adverts – please note that the school is neither recommending nor supporting the adverts below. If you wish to advertise in our newsletter then please contact the school for details.

FREE Lantern Making Workshop: Let's Light Up the Totnes Lantern Festival!

Get ready for some family fun and creativity! We are thrilled to invite all families to join our special parent-and-child workshop to create stunning tissue paper lanterns with a **funky fish theme!**

These fantastic lanterns, inspired by the wonderful creations from last year, will be ready to proudly shine during the procession at the **Totnes Lantern Festival!**

This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with other families and create a special, memorable piece together. All materials will be provided, just bring your enthusiasm!

Workshop Details:

Date: Sunday, 23rd November

Time: 11:00 am – 1:30 pm (Lantern making takes approximately one hour)

Location: Main Hall, The Grove School

Open To: All year groups, from Reception to Year 6

Important Note

This is a **Parent-and-Child Activity** (not a drop-off event). A small amount of parental support is necessary to help your child with their creative construction.

Save the date in your diary! We can't wait to see you there for a creative morning!
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Haze at haze@top-school.co.uk



CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

Friday 5th of December

Grove School Hall At 7pm

£20pp everything supplied.

**Includes a glass of mulled wine and a
mince pie.**

Please book by the 21st of November.

Payment taken when booking.

**Please find a form at the front desk,
payment of Cash or Card accepted.**

The Grove School



CHRISTMAS FAIR

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

5PM-8PM

Burgers & Chips

Tombola

Hook a Duck

• **Santa's Grotto** •

Elfridges

Cakes & Mince Pies

Raffle

Mystery Christmas Bag

Nerf the Elf

Adopt a Teddy



Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:
devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the **15 January 2026**

If you can't access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by emailing
admissions@devon.gov.uk or
call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



You must apply through the Admissions
Team, even if you've already given details
to a school. Applications made directly to
schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

Devon
County Council 



JOIN US FOR THE
**CHRISTMAS
LIGHTS SWITCH ON**

TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 3PM-6PM
TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON AT 5:30PM

CIVIC HALL AND MARKET SQUARE

Free Entertainment and Crafts

Inflatable Snow Globe

Elfic the Jester

Bubbles the Pixie

Kids Christmas Crafts

Stilt Walkers

Carol Singing

Brass Band

Make a lantern

Please bring your own Jam Jar

Pizza £8 each or £4 for half

**Free Bob the Bus service 4pm - 7pm between
Bridgetown Spar - The Market Square - Follaton
Stores**

**For more information and bus times look here:
www.totnestowncouncil.gov.uk/
or contact Lisa at mayor@totnestowncouncil.gov.uk**

**Donations for The Mayor's Charities
Stepping Stones and Bridgetown Alive
would be welcomed**





CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT

Inside

3:20 - Singing by The Grove School

3:50 - Singing by Totnes St John's School

Crafts, Father Christmas
and Inflatable Snow Globe

Outside

4:00 - Elfic the Jester

4:30 - Bubbles the Pixie

5:00 - Elfic the Jester

5:30 - Christmas Lights Switch On
by the Mayor of Totnes

5:35 - Bubbles the Pixie
Brass Band, Stilt Walkers
and Refreshments

BOB THE BUS TIMETABLE

BRIDGETOWN SPAR:

4:00PM, 5:00PM, 6:00PM AND 7:00PM

MARKET SQUARE:

4:15PM, 4:45PM, 5:15PM, 5:45PM, 6:15PM AND 6:45PM

FOLLATON STORES:

4:30PM, 5:30PM AND 6:30PM

