



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

No strike action 5th and 7th July

Statement from the teachers:

As you will be aware, the National Education Union's dispute over fair funding for schools is ongoing and, as part of this, the union has called two more days of strike action on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th of July.

NEU members at The Grove fully support this action and, in the face of no meaningful negotiation from government, feel more strongly than ever that strike action is the only action that will move this dispute towards a satisfactory conclusion for the children in our school.

You will also be aware that Wednesday 5th is a push-up morning and Friday 7th July is the school's summer fayre. It is felt that taking strike action on these dates would disproportionately affect the children, who need the opportunity to visit their new classes and schools and enjoy the School Fayre which so many people work hard to organise. Therefore, whilst fully supportive of the action taken by colleagues across the country, NEU members will attend work in order to facilitate push-up mornings and support the Summer Fayre. These are exceptional circumstances and union members will continue to support any further strike action, should it be called for, in the Autumn term.

Wowzers Chestnut Tree Class!

Thank you so much for everyone who sponsored and cheered (Including the lovely Year 6's -Ru especially!!) on Chestnut Tree's sponsored bike and scooter ride – they raised a whopping £437.30 towards our Great Food for The Grove project! It was soooooo much fun!

Sports Afternoon

We would like to invite you to our sports afternoons. The sports afternoons will be taking place on Tuesday 11th July for KS2 and Wednesday 12th July for Reception and KS1 (weather permitting). The children will be in cross-year group teams and will participate in a number of athletic activities, which have been planned by year 5 and 6. Siblings will be in the same teams. Teams accumulate points which add up towards a team taking 1st place. There are not individual competitive races for our sports days.

Your child will be bringing home a letter with details about the team they are in. They can wear their kit to school on the day. Two tickets per family will also be attached. If you do not need your tickets, please return them to school. The sports afternoon will start at 1:30. Please arrive at 1:15 at the back gate entrance (Heathway) with your tickets.

Cyclocross Dartmoor Sports Partnership results from last night!

School	Year 3&4 Boys Team scores	Place	Year 3&4 Girls Team scores	Place
Chudleigh	22	1	10*	4
Ashburton	49	3	51*	3
The Grove	26	2	11	1
Wolborough	59*	4	40	2
School	Year 5&6 Boys Team scores		Year 5&6 Girls Team scores	
Chudleigh	17	1	24*	1
Ashburton			16*	2
The Grove	18*	3	24*	1
Wolborough	54	2		

*Incomplete team ie less than 4 riders.

We were very proud of our cyclists yesterday in the cyclocross event and as you can see from the results our riders did very well. Medal winners were Hazel R in 1st Y3/4 girls, Gwen 3rd in Y5/6 girls and Max M 2nd in Y5/6 boys.

Top team scorers were Y3/4 girls Hazel R, Jemima, Immy and Bea T, Y3/4 boys Jacob SM, Brandon, Seth and Ottis, Y5/6 girls Gwen, Aggy and Kelly and Y5/6 boys Max M, Edison and Ralph. Also riding very well in the huge field of competitors and fun riders were Elliot, Ewan, Tyler, Josh, Noah Bu, Ben, Samuel, Jonty, Cerys Grace T, Martha, Elsie, Jorgi and Bea S.

Congratulations to all and well done for such positive attitudes.

Our growing sensations have started to produce real veg!!

The courgettes and herbs are already coming into season and are being used in our lunchtime meals.

Unfortunately, a rather fat pigeon took a liking to the broccoli so if anyone has any netting to discourage it from coming back we'd be grateful!! The Poly tunnel is on it's way – flat packed – again if anyone has any skills in constructing these things we'd be grateful for help!



SAVE THE DATE! The Summer PTA fete is on Friday 7th July after school

This is a great opportunity to have lots of fun and raise funds for the school. There is food and drink available, lots of games and stalls and most importantly an opportunity to spend time with friends, parents and staff.

We really need your generous donations:

Teddy bears and cuddly toys

Small toys and 'party bag' type toys for our lucky dip and prizes

Tombola prizes (unopened gifts, toiletries, bottles, games etc)

Good quality bric-a-brac and books We also need your help in preparing for the event and at the event itself.

Please email me if you can help (pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk).

PTA Summer Raffle

Raffle tickets have already been sent home. They are £1 per ticket. We've already got some fabulous prizes donated. The Bull Inn have donated a 3 course meal for 2, vouchers from Eastgate Bookshop, The Curator, Waterside Bistro and China Blue. Tickets from Plymouth Argyle. Skateboards and bottles of fizz. We'll keep you updated in the newsletter and on our Facebook page (The Grove School PTA). If you can donate a prize that would be brilliant- please email me and let me know- Thank you! (Emily pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch)

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

Beech Tree class Apricot Farm trip – Monday 3rd July (ParentPay)

New Reception children Induction morning and all children's new class experience days - Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th July

Willow Tree class Apricot Farm trip – Monday 10th July (ParentPay)

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Sports afternoon - Tuesday 11th July Times

Reception, Year 1 and 2 sports afternoon - Wednesday 12th July Times

Year 6 Performance KEVICC – Wednesday 19th July 1.30 and 5.30 performances

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.

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