

THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 7th May

SHOUT OUTS TO

From Dove Tree Class, Eddie for Happiness and always appreciating the day with a positive mindset and Atticus for Happiness whilst approaching his learning with positivity.

From Lime Tree Class, Sati for Love because she always looks after others and is incredibly kind and Meadow for Learning in which she gives 100%.

From Lilac Tree Class, Islay and Laurie both for Communication in their fantastic independent writing, beautiful cursive handwriting and great expanded noun phrases.

From Willow Tree Class, Aaron for being so full of Love and such determination to do well and Harper for Individuality in her very talented artwork.

From Mountain Ash Tree Class, Teddy for Individuality – one of a kind and Hazel for Communication in listening and showing empathy for others and being so kind.

From Juniper Tree Class, Eliza for Love in so much care and consideration for others and Iggy for Communication and supporting his friends without being asked and helping others to resolve problems.

From Ginkgo Tree Class, Ivy for Happiness when she got 40/40 in maths and Immy for Individuality – such a fun and important member of the class.

From Trumpet Tree Class, Dorothy M-M for Happiness in doing so well with her learning efforts and Bridget for Communication and using the language of Art with spectacular outcomes.

From Flame Tree, Xavi and Georgia for Happiness in working so hard – great to see them smile with success!

Don't have time to read all the newsletter?

Here are the essentials in summary:

© Year 5 Elizabethan dancing news.

- © Marco's fundraising challenge and sponsor link.
- ☺ Mrs Vitali and Lime Tree class news.
- $\ensuremath{\textcircled{}^\circ}$ New classes for September info.
- © Request for unwanted Rubiks cubes please.
- $\ensuremath{\textcircled{\sc 0}}$ Now it's warmer please ensure uniform items are named so jumpers etc can be returned.
- $\ensuremath{\textcircled{}}$ Dance lessons info for next term.
- © Grove School Parents SEN Group initial meeting Wednesday 14th May.
- © PTA news, events and ways to help the school. Summer disco this Friday!

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



ELIZABETHAN DANCING

Our wonderful Year 5 children danced us proud yesterday at the opening ceremony for the start of the Elizabethan Market. We met at The Guildhall and were shown around and treated to refreshments. We were then led up the High Street by The Town Crier, John Roberts, before dancing in front of the public in the Civic Square. A wonderful tradition to uphold. Thank you.



Marco's Fundraising Challenge

Marco is raising money by challenging himself to do the English Riviera Triathlon in June. It comprises of a sea swim followed by a fast and furious bike ride and then a run to complete. Marco is raising money for The Grove School kitchen and has set a target of £2000 to buy a new hot cupboard to use when serving the children their lunches.

Please visit Marco's fundraising page if you would like to sponsor him! https://gofund.me/b23ca06f



Mrs Vitali and Lime Tree Cass

We are very excited about Mrs Vitali expecting her baby in July. She will start her maternity leave from 12th June and we have arranged cover with the very popular Miss Ward, who the children already know as she has worked with the class this year already.

New classes for September

We announce the new teachers and classing groups after half term and then we will start the transitioning process to help children adapt and adjust. We are just finalising the groupings for the current Reception class as they will transition into Year I. We aren't anticipating any other year groups being mixed up this year. After half term we are having some class movements to make room for our new pre-school. Juniper Tree will move to The Studio which will become a very spacious classroom, Mountain Ash are moving to Juniper Tree's current classroom and Lilac will be moving to the other end of the Y1/2 classrooms into Mountain Ash's current classroom. Just mentioning it now if your child needs some time to prepare for change.

Rubiks cubes

If you happened to have any Rubiks cubes you no longer need – would you mind donating them to the school please?



Naming Uniform

Now that the weather is warming up there are a lot of school jumpers/cardigans in the playground. Please ensure your child's uniform is named so that they can be reunited with their owner.

Dance Lessons

For the final term of school Helen, a parent at the Grove, would like to trial some after school dance classes. She has relevant qualifications and a lot of facilitation experience using inclusive practices and working with a variety of ages. Please see poster below for more information.

Grove School Parents SEN Group

Initial meeting: Wednesday 14th May, 19:30-21:00 at the Gate House, High Street, Totnes.

We are establishing a new group for the Grove School community experiences of special educational needs and neurodiversity; to discuss strategies for children in school and at home; to talk about our understanding of science, pedagogy and legislation relating to SEND.

Open to all parents or guardians with children at The Grove School, whether with an identified special educational need, or simply interested in the area. The initial meeting will help us to establish what members of the community will find helpful- we would love to have input from as many voices as possible.

Any questions/ thoughts/ comments- please get in touch at: groveschoolsengroup@gmail.com

PTA NEWS

Upcoming Events Summary

9th May: Summer disco – On ParentPay to sign up 12th May: Father's Day forms out 16th May: Willow bake sale 23rd May: Mufti for sweets 23rd May: Juniper bake sale 23rd May: Whole school sponsor forms out

2nd June: Last day for Father's Day forms back
6th June: Trumpet bake sale
9th - 13th June: Sponsored run week
13th June: Flame bake sale
13th June: Father's Day gift home
20th June: Ginkgo bake sale
27th June: Acorn bake sale
4th July: Summer Fair/Mufti
11th July: Ice lolly/cake sale





Cake Sale

Well done Mountain Ash class – you raised £67.50. Thank you! No cake sale this Friday, it's the Disco! Next weeks (Friday 16th May) is Willow's turn to bake.

Summer Disco – This Friday

Please return permission slips by tomorrow. If you can help, especially with Acorns, 1/2 disco that would be great (they love the tattoos), please let Jenni know.



Fathers Day Gifts

A form will be sent out on Monday 12th May – Please return A.S.A.P (Last day for orders is Monday 2nd June)

Dates for your diary this term http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/calendar/256154 Year 6 SATS – Monday 12th until Thursday 15th May Year 6 Woodlands Fun day – Friday 16th May Half Term – Monday 26th until Friday 30th May First Day back – Monday 2nd June KSI Sports afternoon – Tuesday 15th July KS2 Sports afternoon – Thursday 17th July

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.



Singer Wanted

For local Totnes Band 'Phat Planet'. Playing mainly originals - funk/reggae/pop/soul. We rehearse once week near Totnes. You'll need to be able to commit to regular rehearsals and gig every couple of months. Ideally you'll have live experience or feel super comfortable in front of an audience. Lineup currently guitar, bass/backing vocal, drums and sax. We're a friendly bunch and have lots of fun playing lively joyful uplifting tunes. Please email a little about yourself to <u>Jonathanrub@hotmail.com</u> Look forward to hearing from you, Jonathan, Matt, Cameron & Steve.





PTA Disco on Friday - Please login to Parentpay to sign up





