

# THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 19th June

# SHOUT OUTS TO ....

From the Acorns, Torr and Jack for great communication about their feelings and bravely tackling new things, Laura for Communication and her excellent listening skills and Rory for Learning and his progress in Jump Start Jonny.

From Dove Tree Class both for Learning, Marlie for her phonics and loan for great dragon writing.

From Lilac Tree Class, Claire for Happiness and a great start at school and Mia for Learning and her fantastic phonics!

From Lime Tree Class, Mac for communication with great listening and talking things through and Seth for Individuality in his creative model making.

From Willow Tree Class, Bridget for Individuality – a wow at Art and Bea for Love and always being so kind.

From Mountain Ash Tree Class, Evie for Communication – so good at listening and explaining and Jack for Happiness – such enthusiasm with a smile.

From Juniper Tree Class, April for Learning and approaching challenges and Elspeth for Happiness – such positivity and smiles this week.

From Flame Tree Class, Austin for Learning in his computer programming and Brooke for Happiness and being such a positive learner.

From Ginkgo Tree Class, Ruby O for Learning in maths and Seth for Individuality and talent at solving riddles!

From Trumpet Tree Class, Ed for Learning in writing and Isaac for Learning in maths and Eva for Happiness and settling so well.



**Summer has arrived!** – Thank you Jenni Rowe for recreating our scene so beautifully and regularly.





# The International Plank competition 2024

The children in all year groups (except Reception) have been practising their planks (on forearms) in order to complete in this year's Junior Duke Planking challenge. Seriously impressive holds from so many children.

In the international rankings based on completion from others in the same year groups we have 3 on the podiums!

In Year 2, Eve from Dove Tree class managed more than 15 minutes and came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the world of Year 2s.

In Year 6, we have 2 international winners from Ginkgo, with Kelly in  $2^{nd}$  Place holding it for 6:04 minutes and Oliver in  $3^{rd}$  holding for 6:01 minutes.

Just within school our year group winners were:

| Year I | Alicia           | 5:20 minutes  |
|--------|------------------|---------------|
| Year 2 | Eve (as above)   | 15+ minutes   |
| Year 3 | Hannah           | 9:44 minutes  |
| Year 4 | Ada              | 10:02 minutes |
| Year 5 | Jemima           | 5:52 minutes  |
| Year 6 | Kelly (as above) | 6:04 minutes  |

Congratulations to all.

## **Winners from Sheer Soccer**

Penalty champions this term were Freddie P, Jack R and Benji W.

Players of the course for excellent effort, application and behaviour were Arthur M, Alfie J and Jake B.

Well done footballers!

#### Dartmoor 3 Ball



On Tuesday, nine of our year 6 children took part in the Dartmoor 3Ball tournament at South Dartmoor in Ashburton. The team put in an excellent performance and earned the great achievement of finishing in second place!

The team have now earned the chance to take part in the final at Forches Cross next Wednesday morning. Good luck 3 ballers!



#### **PTA ANNOUNCEMENT**

PLEASE COME ALL WELCOME PLEASE COME ALL WELCOME PLEASE COME PTA AGM to be held on Monday 15th July in The School Hall at 7pm.

Come along and socialise, share ideas and be part of something great. Attending doesn't commit you to anything. The more the merrier. Looking forward to seeing you there.

#### **TREASURER NEEDED**

We need your help. The Grove PTA Charity Committee is URGENTLY seeking a new Treasurer. Could this be you or someone you know? The role would include general book keeping such as overseeing payments in/out, invoicing and managing the finances.

No previous experience is necessary and it could be a shared role. Good numeracy and organisational skills are essential.

Please be in touch if this is something you or you and a friend would consider. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

#### **DONATIONS NEEDED/WANTED**

Tombola, Teddies, Preloved uniform and items for The Summer Fair. Please drop into school.

#### **SUMMER FAIR - SAVE THE DATE**

FRIDAY 5th JULY: 5pm - 8pm.

Any help gratefully received - please let us know if you would be up for volunteering.

### **GAS BBQ Needed**

The Summer fair needs to borrow a gas BBQ. Please contact Rebecca if you can help with this.



#### **Hedge Trimming**

Due to our budget being so tight and the increasing cost of paying for contractors the school can't afford to pay for our hedge to be trimmed. We are hoping that there may be a parent or group of parents who would be willing to help us out. The hedge is at the back of the school, beside the pedestrian crossing and car park and you may have noticed that it has become very overgrown. You would need a cordless hedge trimmer as there is no electricity nearby. Please let Rebecca on reception know if you can help. Many thanks, Sandie (School Business Manager).



# Y 1 / 2 desperately seeking Ikea Kallax units and baskets/boxes

Ikea Kallax units of any size would be very much appreciated for our Y1/2 continuous provision. We are also hoping for donations of baskets and wooden crates to enhance our provision too. If you have any or know of anyone who would be happy to donate any to the school, we would very much appreciate it.





## **Ambitious about Autism Bike Ride Sponsorship**

Primrose and Flora Heratys Father is raising money for a very worthy cause that affects so many lives in so many ways.

Please support my Ambitious Challenge! I'm taking part in the Rapha Ambitious Manchester to London bike ride. I will be taking on 220 miles in one day on Sunday 23 June and leaving my limits behind to raise funds for Ambitious about Autism.

Ambitious about Autism want to help create a world where autistic children and young people are heard, included and supported.

Link to James Heraty sponsorship page:

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Just £20 can contribute towards a family support worker for an autistic young person. This could allow Ambitious about Autism to provide telephone support to a family in crisis on matters such as welfare, health, and legal support. Please donate to support my challenge. Thank you so much!

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/calendar/256154

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Juniper Apricot Farm trip - Parentpay Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Years 5 and 6 Renewables trip – Free – Parentpay Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Violin Show Jacqui 3.15pm Studio Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – School and PTA Summer Fair Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July - PTA AGM in school hall at 7pm Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 production Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - KS1 Sports day (weather permitting) Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 Sports day (weather permitting)

# 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.

## Piano lessons from September 2024

For children starting Year 2 and above, I will have a few spaces available from September as my current Year 6 students will have left.

Please email me for further details.

Many thanks,

Neil Reed

teaching@neilreedmusic.co.uk



# Park School on the Dartington Estate Saturday 22nd June

12 - 4pm Gates Open 11:40am



# SUMMER SOLSTICE FESTIVAL

Midday Solstice Celebration & Drumming Circle with Paula Thomas

The Solar Stage Terence Waldstat Sunshine Bubble Disco DI Skip Cream Tea Ladies (comedy) Open Mic (grown ups & Spoken Word

Flora & Fauna Walkabout

Park Children's Chorus Park School of Rock

Free Children's Area Fairground Games Circus Skills Nature Crafts Beat the Goalie Parachute Games Sunshine Bubble Disco Under 5's Woodland area with crafting, mud kitchen, story-telling, & singing Face-painting **Giant Bubbles** Swings, Slides & Sandpits Ride on Mini Tractors Pizza making

Wood fired Pizzas, Salad Bar, Cake Stall, Pimms Bar, Strawberries & Cream, Tea Shop, Coffee Stand, Raffle & Local sustainable eco-friendly stalls supporting our wider community



Entrance Pass Children £10 Adults £5 includes £2 food voucher

To purchase an entrance pass Click QR or -Search Facebook-Park-School-Dartington for link to donate authored accepted # gate

