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Dear Parents and Carers,

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL JUMPERS AND COATS!

What's happening this week and next

Willow Tree class have started swimming. Tempest Photography is on Thursday for individual photos and with siblings. For siblings that are not at school could you please come at 8.15 to the double doors. Year 6 are taking part in their Life Skills course tomorrow at the pavilions then next week will be going on their residential week to Okehampton Adventure. Year 2's are taking part in a Games Festival on Tuesday next week, more information about this is below.

Special mention

It was lovely to welcome Mr Gude back after his medical leave this week – understandably Ginkgo Tree class was awarded class of the week – they really managed so well under a new teacher for 3 whole weeks. Children who got a special mention in assembly for their increased effort in their presentation and in their learning are listed below: Chestnut – Jack, Seth and a special extra for Enzo who is trying so hard at everything! Willow- Gabriel and Amelia Trumpet – Toby and Amelia Ginkgo – Billy and Olive Flame – Oscar and Maisie Dove – Eliza and Fergus Lime – Bluebell and Marlowe Mountain Ash – Martha and Lorelei Beech – Hazel and Ben

Year 2 Dartmoor School Sports Partnership Games Festival, Tuesday 18th October 10am – 11:30am @ South Brent

All Year 2 children will be taking part in a KSI Games Festival at South Brent Primary School. The children will be going on a coach organised by the school. They will be leaving after morning register and returning for lunch. This is a festival and the children will be participating in a carousel of games activities with pupils from other schools. Children will need to wear their PE kit to school and can wear it for the whole day. and in addition they will need to bring some warm clothing and a snack and drink. Letters have been sent out about this and we still need some filled in with parent/carers consent. If you would like another copy please email admin@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Cyclo-Cross Competition and Fun Cycle – Yesterday at Forches Cross

Nearly 30 children attended the event at Forches Cross, Newton Abbot and the sun was shining! All of the children rode brilliantly over quite a tricky course around the field, competing against children from other schools in the Dartmoor School Sport Partnership. There were over 40 children in each event. Well done to Hazel for winning her race, with Imogen and Jemima and Dorothy also finishing in the top 10. Gwen 2nd in her race and Max 3rd in his race. Well done to all of the children who competed, you all did brilliantly. Thank you to all of the parents and carers for your support.

Future dates for your diary

Last day of this half term is Friday 21st October and first day back is Monday 31st October. Year 6 will be going on their weeks residential on Monday 17th October to Okehampton Adventure. Year 2 PE Festival Tuesday 18th October in school time – South Brent Primary School Nasal Flu vaccination Thursday 3rd November – Whole school Parent Consultations W/b 7th November which will be virtual via Teams Beech Tree class swimming starts on Monday 14th November Grove Christmas Fair on the morning of Saturday 3rd December in the school. http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/calendar/256154

PTA AGM

A reminder the PTA AGM is tomorrow (13th October) at 19.30. This will be held in the smaller hall (Studio) at the school, buzz at the front entrance and we can let you in. If you know you can attend please email me on pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk so I know who to expect. There is no obligation to become a committee member but it will give you an idea of what we have achieved this last year and what we plan to do with the year ahead. I would love to see some new faces and continue to be thankful to those already involved. Emily Rowley

PTA School Lottery

For those that haven't already signed up for the school lottery this is a really easy simple way to raise money for the school whilst also giving you the chance of winning the guaranteed local weekly prize or scooping the £25000 jackpot. The link to sign up is <u>http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-grove-school-totnes</u>. We are also going to promote this to the local community and have printed some flyers to try and encourage Totnes residence to support our fundraising efforts. If any of the children would like to post some flyers through neighbours doors please get in touch with me (<u>pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk</u>). Thank you!

PTA Christmas Fair

Date for the diary! We will be holding the Grove Christmas Fair on the morning of Saturday 3rd December in the school. Nearer the time I will be asking for volunteers and help so please consider this! We are really excited to create a fun-filled special event for the children and the support from parents and carers is so appreciated and welcomed. PTA Xmas Raffle know it seems a little early to start with the Christmas preparations but we are really keen to have the most fabulous Christmas Raffle. We have always received very kind and generous support from local businesses and we are hoping this year will be no different. I would also welcome any donations from you; a bottle of wine, box of chocolates, a voucher, an unwanted gift (!) or a hamper that you've made up of treats. We will be selling raffle tickets and will have the key prizes/companies advertised on them. I would really appreciate your help and support, please drop off any donations directly to me or to Rebecca at the front desk with my name on it. Many thanks, Emily Rowley (<u>pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk</u>). I will be getting the tickets printed soon and like to acknowledge our supporters so please let me know early.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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Section

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- > FA Qualified Coaches with up to date DBS.
- To enquire, contact Anthony Goss
 07530867454 or Alan Blake 07890921554.





