

# **Weekly Newsletter**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## What's happening this week and next

Willow Tree class start swimming next week. The Touch Rugby Festival that was going to be held on Thursday has had to be postponed due to the organiser being poorly. Tempest Photography is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October next week for individual photos and with siblings. For siblings that are not at school could you please come at 8.15 to the double doors.

# Nasal Flu Vaccination - Thursday 3rd November

Yesterday we emailed out the link to everyone to consent or decline the nasal flu vaccination. Here is the link <a href="https://schoolimms.hcrgcaregroup.com/flu/2022/devon">https://schoolimms.hcrgcaregroup.com/flu/2022/devon</a> Please note that this link with close at midnight on Tuesday 18th October 2022.

# Year 6 transferring to secondary school in September 2023 - Message from DCC

The deadline to make your application to the Local Authority is the 31st October 2022. You can apply online by visiting www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline Please be advised that if you don't apply or apply after the closing date of the 31st October 2022, your application will be considered after all timely applications, and this may mean that you miss out on a place at your preferred or local school. Places are not held in reserve for people that apply late. It is important that you make your application before the closing date to give your child the best chance of getting a place at one of your preferred schools. Please don't assume you don't need to apply and that you will be allocated a place at the local secondary school if you don't. You must make an application and give the Local Authority your preferences. If you don't tell the admissions team where you want your child to go to school, you will run the risk of being allocated a place at a school that isn't the nearest school, or a preferred school, and it may also be a school to which you are unable to transport your child to. If you need help or assistance with the application process, please speak to the school office or contact the admissions team on 0345 155 1019 or email admissions@devon.gov.uk

## Future dates for your diary

Cyclocross competitive, fun bike ride and learn to ride on Tuesday I Ith October 4-6pm at Forches Cross. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Year 6 will be going on their 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 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Whole school

Parent Consultations W/b 7th November which will be virtual via Teams

Grove Christmas Fair on the morning of Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the school.

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

#### **PTA AGM**

Hello and welcome to the new parents and carers that have joined us. We are a really friendly group in the PTA and would really welcome any support or help. I would like to invite you all to the PTA AGM on Thursday 13th October at 19.30. This will be held in the smaller hall at the school, please email me on pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk if you would like to attend 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. Thanks, PTA Chair: 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 <a href="http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-grove-school-totnes">http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-grove-school-totnes</a>. 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 (<a href="pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk">pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk</a>). Thank you, Emily!

# **PTA Christmas Fair**

Date for the diary! We will be holding the Grove Christmas Fair on the morning of Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Emily

## **PTA Xmas Raffle**

Kind regards

I 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 (<a href="mailto:pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk">pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk</a>). I will be getting the tickets printed soon and like to acknowledge our supporters so please let me know early, Emily.

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