



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Easter break. The month of May this year is even fuller of bank holidays! Remember we will be closed on May 1st for the usual May Day bank holiday and again on the 8th May for King Charles's Coronation. We will be celebrating the coronation as a school on Friday 5th May with some fun activities and the Children's Kitchen will be preparing a special coronation 'indoor street party' lunch for the usual £2:50. There will be a wide selection of party food. All children can come dressed in Royal and party clothes that day. PLEASE PRE-ORDER WITH REBECCA FOR THE SPECIAL LUNCH THAT DAY so we can be sure of numbers to cater for. Please email admin@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Beech Tree Class – Cake Sale Thursday 20th April

Beech Tree class have decided to do a cake and craft sale on Thursday 20th April after school as their class fundraiser for Grub at The Grove. Children in the class will bake or buy cakes and bring them in and/or make crafts to sell. They will help to run the stalls too. Grown up helpers would be very welcome!

Strike Action -Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May

We are anticipating that these classes will be affected on these dates:

Thursday 27th April

Beech Tree Class

Robins

Willow Tree Class closed until 11:45

Tuesday 2nd May

Beech Tree Class

Robins

Willow Tree Class

Play therapy

From September the school is no longer able to fund play therapy due to low school budgets (one of the issues the teachers are striking about). We are managing to continue to fund the children Chandra currently sees until the end of the summer term but after that parents can apply to buy in the service. We have said that Chandra can still use our space so children can access this in school time or after school if Chandra has availability. We do know Chandra well and she has made a big difference to the lives of children she has worked with so we can formally recommend her service, although there are also many great practitioners in Totnes. Please see below details from Chandra:

Is your child feeling sad, angry or worried? Are you walking on eggshells?

My name is Chandra Kantha and in 2017, I qualified as an integrative Child Counsellor at the Institute for Arts in Therapy and Education. Since then I have been working with families and schools in South Devon supporting children with complex emotional and behavioural needs. My approach to child counselling is play and arts based.

Parents come to me when they are worried about their child's behaviour. Their child may be anxious, sad, angry, suffering from grief, unable to sleep or prone to emotional outbursts and other behavioural issues.

I will have some availability from September 2023 and will be able to have sessions at The Grove School. I am also available for parent and child work, supporting parents with parenting and play.

Please visit my website for further details of my practice and contact details:

<https://www.chandrankantha.co.uk/>

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

Reception and Year 6 National Childhood Measurement Programme (please opt out if you do not want to participate) – Wednesday 26th April

Bank Holiday Monday – 1st May

Coronation Day – Friday 5th May Children can dress in Royal or party clothes

Extra Bank Holiday, School Closed for Kings Coronation – Monday 8th May 2023

Some of Year 5's Elizabethan dancing at opening ceremony - Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Year 6 SATS – Week commencing Monday 8th May

Year 6 Woodlands trip – Monday 15th May

Pirates Against Plastic Reception – Wednesday 17th May

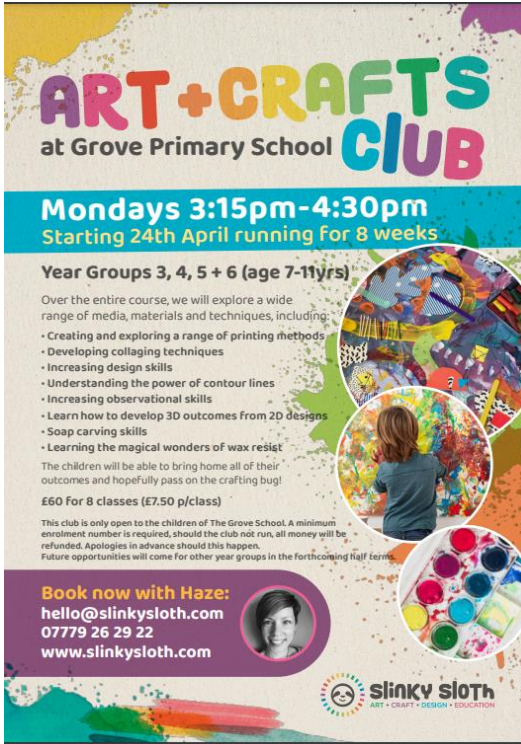
Class photos – Thursday 25th May (New date)

Last day of term – Friday 26th May

First day back – Monday 5th June

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.



ART + CRAFTS CLUB
at Grove Primary School

Mondays 3:15pm-4:30pm
Starting 24th April running for 8 weeks

Year Groups 3, 4, 5 + 6 (age 7-11yrs)

Over the entire course, we will explore a wide range of media, materials and techniques, including:

- Creating and exploring a range of printing methods
- Developing collaging techniques
- Increasing design skills
- Understanding the power of contour lines
- Increasing observational skills
- Learn how to develop 3D outcomes from 2D designs
- Soap carving skills
- Learning the magical wonders of wax resist

The children will be able to bring home all of their outcomes and hopefully pass on the crafting bug!

£60 For 8 classes (£7.50 p/class)

This club is only open to the children of The Grove School. A minimum enrolment number is required, should the club not run, all money will be refunded. Apologies in advance should this happen. Future opportunities will come for other year groups in the forthcoming half term.

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Dartington Hall

Thrive Festival: FREE Family Events

Thrive is a joyful May Day weekend festival marking the turning from spring to summer – celebrated through Indian music, culture, and creative connections with nature. We invite you to join in!

Great Lawn Sessions

We have a variety of FREE events for families starting with our Great Lawn Sessions. Bring a picnic blanket and settle in for an afternoon of brilliant music outside the White Hart:

Saturday 29th April: Tommy Khosla and Jawari will be performing the eclectic sounds of jazz and Indian classical music.

Sunday 30th April: Mae Karthausser will be performing her rich, distinctive and artful music.

Monday 1st May: Jason Singh will round off Thrive Festival with a family-friendly DJ set.

The Bewonderment Machine

Saturday 29th April: A quirky dreamscape, combining found objects, puppetry, machinery and music. With riding space for up to 10, this miniature theatrical flight of the imagination, empowers the very young to care, to be curious and to believe in their own strength.

Other events

We also have a couple of ticketed events for little ones to get creative and be inspired by nature and iconic Indian imagery:

Saturday 29th April: Paint Yourself Happy: Kids Edition!

Sunday 30th April: Indian Block Printing for Kids

For more information, please go to dartington.org/thrive