

THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 4th December

SHOUT OUTS TO

From Dove Tree Class, Ava for Learning with super letter formation and Lewis for Learning with super maths!

From Lime Tree Class, Sofia for Learning and great story ideas and Edie for Individuality and always being ready to learn.

From Lilac Tree Class, Delilah for happiness and settling in with a big smile and Nouh for Learning in his pride in his presentation.

From Willow Tree Class, Lara for Love and always giving your best and Aaron for Learning and completing every bit of his learning this week with pride.

From Mountain Ash Tree Class, Iris L for Love, when a friend is needed Iris is always there and Logan for Individuality having original and unique ideas.

From Juniper Tree Class, Milo for Happiness and the big smiles that makes us think you have always been here and Aphra for Love and embracing all opportunities with enthusiasm.

From Ginkgo Tree Class, Toby for Learning and consistency in maths and Bella for Happiness and such a self-confidence growth in Year 5.

From Trumpet Tree Class, Flo for Learning and amazing improvements in maths and Jessica for Happiness- such a great example to all.

From Flame Tree Class, Tiger-Rose for Learning and smashing the maths and Abdul for Individuality of personality and such enthusiasm for learning.



Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day on Wednesday 18th December

If you haven't already ordered then please do so using ParentPay. Because it is hard to change just one day on Parentpay we need you to order in code!! Please choose the pizza as the meat version of Christmas dinner and vegetarian noodle soup as the vegetarian option of Christmas dinner. Parents can either change the selection themselves or email the school on admin@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

p.s also see PTA news - mufti this Friday

The Grove School Cookery Book

We are just waiting for delivery of our cookery book, which fingers crossed will be here by Friday for the Fair – but potentially it may be next week. It has over 70 lovely, child-friendly recipes and each is hand-illustrated. If you would like to pre-order for some lovely Christmas presents, then each book will be £10 and proceeds all go to the School Kitchen and cookery classes for extra cookery equipment and resources.

If you would like to order then please email me at head@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk and let me know how many you would like. Payment by cash or cheque on collection please. Alternatively, you can order via me at the School Fair or through Rebecca/Sarah at the front desk.



Shear Soccer Football Club

Has finished now and will start again week commencing 24th February 2025.

2nd TIME LUCKY!! CALLING ALL WILLING VOLUNTEERS - help to start transforming our playground

We need your help. Our playground orders have started to be delivered and are currently in piles around our site. Are you free on Sunday 15th December between 10 am and 2pm to help begin the transformation? Jobs would include: cleaning the astro, constructing flat packs eg a stage, sorting out a shed, helping make a nature area and more. The more the merrier! If you can help, **please let me know** (it would be good to have a list so we know who is going to turn up) via email: helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk
Thank you in advance.

BEHAVIOUR AND MANNERS

We are nearing the end of a busy and exciting term. There are many bugs flying around and children are also very tired. As a result, we feel there is a need to have a real push on behaviour and manners leading up to Christmas. In school we want all our children to feel safe and happy and we expect good behaviour and good manners; we know you feel this is important too.

The **majority** of our children do follow the school rules and expectations and are praised by all members of staff for doing so. When the rules are not followed the children will be spoken to about this and our behaviour policy followed. It may not be their class teacher who does this but ANY member of staff and that member of staff should be given the same respect as the class teacher. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to all the amazing shows and celebrations which are planned for the coming weeks.

We have updated the document linked here to be in line with our expectations our school values. Please take a look here

http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/home_school_agreement/701644



A massive thank you to Jenni Rowe

Yet again, a beautiful display in school for the children to enjoy. Thanks Jenni.



Come Dine with me

We are delighted to offer an opportunity for parents to join their child for a school lunch. You are invited to join your child and have a school dinner with them at their lunch time. If you have more than one child it might be nice to book separate days for each child.

To book, please look at the menu and choose your date and let Rebecca / Sarah know at the front desk or by email.

Meals cost £2:50, please bring cash with you when you arrive.

Meal times:

Acorns – Reception class – 11:30am Dove, Lime and Lilac – Year 1 and 2 – 12:00 midday Juniper, Mountain Ash, Willow – Year 3 and 4 – 12:20pm Flame, Ginkgo, Trumpet- Year 5 and 6 – 12:40pm



Marco's unicorn cake



This is a beautiful cake made to order last week. Please do contact Marco if you want to buy one of his celebration cakes. marco@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk



Nursery world features The Grove School

https://www.nurseryworld.co.uk/content/features/early-years-in-schools-helping-children-to-become-master-chefs

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

<u>Christmas Fair – This Friday 5pm – 8pm</u>

Come along and enjoy the festive fun! Meet Father Christmas in his grotto, lots of games to play, things to buy – Elfridges kids only shop to buy presents for Mum and Dad. Hot food, cakes, bar etc, bring lots of money to spend!

Please can you return raffle tickets by Friday morning and any unsold books too.

Mufti Day - This Friday

This is for Christmas cupcakes, biscuits, mince pies etc. Please bring in on Friday morning and label your cake tin with your child's name and class so they can be returned.



Christmas Quiz - 13th December 7pm (for a 7:30pm start)

After the success of the last quiz, we will be doing a Christmas quiz on Friday 13th December in the school hall. Lots of festive fun, bar and raffle.

Maximum 6 in a team - £5 per person

Please book your team in by 11th Dec – We need lots more team for this event to go head.

Email helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Christmas Food bank

It's another big ask; we really appreciate you all give so much already! We are collecting for the food bank to help bring a little sparkle to families this Christmas.

If you could donate any food items, especially treats, that would be amazing!

Christmas Puddings Stuffing Yule log Mince pies
Christmas cake Chocolates Biscuits Fruit juice
Crackers (edible) Twiglets etc Jams Chutneys



A box will be at the main entrance until Wednesday 11th Dec. Thank you.

The Grove School PTA Facebook Page

The Grove School PTA Facebook Page will also keep you up to date on events and fundraisers – eg, bake sales, fairs, discos etc.

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

Year 5 and 6 Non Swimmers – Mondays until Christmas

Mufti & Christmas Fair - Friday 6th December

Christmas productions - week beginning 9th December

Years 3 and 4 Rehearsal all day KEVICC – Tuesday 10th December

Reception Nativity 2pm school hall - Tuesday 10th December

Years 3 and 4 Christmas Show KEVICC - Wednesday 11th December 1pm & 6pm

Years I and 2 Christmas Performance – Thursday I2th and Friday I3th December 2.15 School Hall

Last Day of Term - Friday 20th December

First Day back - Tuesday 7th January 2025

Juniper Class swimming - Monday 13th January 5 week

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.





Sunny Desk Space Available - Dartington Estate.

1 – 2 x desks space in a stunning location at Lower Close Studios (behind main hall). Share with a friendly group of social enterprises and freelancers (4 x people). There's 24hr access and you can walk straight into the estate gardens.

High speed internet, kitchen, meeting area, free Dartington membership (10% off everything) and acres of outdoor space!

Costs: £150 (1 x desk) & £220 (2 x desks)

Contact: Scott Decker or Jonathan Elliott dartingtonofficetorent@gmail.com (07483 029252 or 07947 616844)





Making Christmas Presents, Cards & Decorations

Sat. 14th December

Daisy Centre, next to St. John's School Bridgetown, Totnes TQ9 5TZ

> 10am - 3pm Drop in any time!

No need to book—come along, yule enjoy it!

Cost: FREE (donations welcome)

All materials provided. Plenty of parking.
Indoors with hot drinks.
All dads and male carers with children all ages welcome.









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Please go to our website address above, for more information.

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