



THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 17th September

SHOUT OUTS TO

Dove Tree Class, Learning – Skye for super reading and tricky word knowledge and Emily for super maths.

Lilac Tree Class, Evelyn for Individuality, being helpful and offering to help before being asked. Persie, Learning – trying her best and never giving up.

Lime Tree Class, Rebecca, Learning, for her beautiful story and completing her rainbow tasks. Edie, Individuality an amazing team player, always first to volunteer and help.

Willow Tree Class, Communication for Layla, being so brave and embracing your new class. Leo, Love, such a lovely, kind member of the class.

Mountain Ash Tree Class, Rose, Happiness, she fills our class with positivity. Jesse, Individuality – adjusting to the challenges of KS3 and making us proud.

Juniper Tree Class, Heath we Love having you as part of Juniper, you are such a calm, kind presence. Orlando, Happiness – you are such a happy and enthusiastic new addition to our class.

Flame Tree Class, Hugo, Individuality – thank you for focussing on your learning and helping others. Harley, Communication, for always asking when you need a hand to 'fix' learning.

Ginkgo Tree Class, Hattie, Learning, for being a writing whizz. Asher, Happiness, for being such a jolly member of Ginkgo.

Trumpet Tree Class, Jack, Happiness - always being jolly and enthusiastic about his work. Hermione, Learning – answering lots of questions in class and really focussing.

Don't have time to read all the newsletter?

Here are the essentials in summary:

- ☺ Orchard Club not running on 29th September
- ☺ Grove uniform reminder
- ☺ Grove WhatsApp community
- ☺ Grove Community Parent SEND Get together – Tuesday 23rd September
- ☺ Holiday Club link for October half term
- ☺ Micro, Mini & Junior Duke
- ☺ PTA thank you and news below

More info on all these below or ask at the front desk



Uniform Reminder

Below is our School Uniform Policy – please can you try to stick to it – it helps the children feel part of a team and (for all of our sanity) reduces the comments of ‘why can they wear that. It’s not fair...’

PLEASE, PLEASE LABEL ALL JUMPERS AND COATS, LUNCH BOXES AND DRINKS BOTTLES

- Plain grey trousers or shorts or skirt or tunic- **Required**
- Gold School Polo Shirt or one of a similar yellow colour- **Required**
- Burgundy School Sweatshirt/Cardigan or one of a similar burgundy colour- **Required**
- Any colour socks or tights- **Required in the winter months**
- Red/White or Yellow/White checked summer dress- **Optional in summer term**
- Any colour leggings colour - **Optional BUT No leggings without skirt.**

Footwear

- Black or dark coloured shoes, boots or trainers- **Required**
- Summer Sandals – - **Optional in summer term**
- **No ‘Crocs’ or flip flops - ever**

Pupils are not permitted to wear any jewellery with the exception of a watch and stud earrings. If pupils are wearing stud earrings they might have to put tape on these when doing P.E. depending on activity.

Please could children leave toys and cuddlies at home (unless they have a specific allowance for this)

Children may bring books in from home.

Orchard Club

Just a reminder that Orchard After School Club will not be running on Monday 29th of September.

The Grove School Whatsapp Community

If you would like me to add you to the community, please send me an email with your number.

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

Many thanks.

Holiday Club

Please see link below for information and bookings for a holiday club available at Grove this half term.

[October Half-term Holiday Club at The Grove School in Totnes – Kaleidoscope](#)



Grove Community Parent SEND Get Together

Meeting: Tuesday 23rd September at the Gate House, High Street, Totnes

This is a regular meeting of the Grove School Community, developed to explore experiences of special educational needs and neurodiversity: to discuss strategies for children in school and at home; to talk about our understanding of science, pedagogy and legislation relating to SEND.

Open to all parents or guardians with children at The Grove School, whether with an identified special educational need, or an interest in the area. We have begun to establish a model where we learn from and support each other whilst making changes that benefit our children and the wider school community. We would love to speak to as many people as possible so please do come along or get in touch at: groveschoolsengroup@gmail.com.



Micro, Mini and Junior Duke

To encourage independence and self-motivation, this year, The Grove School is, once again, running the Award Scheme called the Junior Duke (KS2), Mini Duke (KS1) and Micro Duke (Reception). This is aimed to be like a precursor to The Duke of Edinburgh challenge that your child may wish to take on in Secondary School.

There are four levels: in KS2; (Year 3) Bronze, (Year 4) Silver, (Year 5) Gold and (Year 6) Platinum. There are two levels in KS1; (Year 1) Silver and (Year 2) Gold. Each of these levels has 14 challenges and, in order to complete a level, the children need to finish 10 of these successfully. These include skills such as First Aid, ICT, Languages, Art, Drama, Music, Sport and other life skills such as cookery and puncture repair.

On completion of a level, a certificate and a badge will be awarded in assembly.

There is an £11.00 charge each year to cover the cost of the booklet, certificate, badges and postage.

Please login to ParentPay to consent and pay. The deadline is Wednesday 24th September. It would be amazing to have as many Grove children take part as possible; the benefits to your child will be huge.

PTA NEWS

We have a super exciting year ahead, jammed packed with events - old and new!

Please put these dates in your diary and watch this space for further information!



Remember - if you are up for helping with any event, please let us know by emailing jennir@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Join the Facebook page too: The Grove School PTA



Cake Sale

This Friday 19th September is FLAME TREE CLASS! We look forward to their delicious treats!

After school on the field. Cakes are 50p each (card/cash)
(Next week will be Dove Tree Class' turn to bake.)

FRIDAY BAKE SALES:

26th September: Dove Class
3rd October: Juniper Class
10th October: Ginkgo Class
16th October: Lilac Class (Thursday)
24th October: Willow Class
7th November: Mountain Ash Class
14th November: Lime Class
21st November: Trumpet Class
28th November: Christmas Fair

NEW EVENTS TO BE HELD AT THE SCHOOL:



QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 3rd October

Arrive at 7pm for a 7:30pm start

6 people per team (nibbles included in the price)

ENTRY PER PERSON: £5.

Bar available and raffle too!

PLEASE BOOK YOUR TEAM IN ADVANCE (by 19th September) BY

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

OTHER EVENTS THIS TERM:

AUTUMN DISCO Friday 17th October.

MUFTI DAY (bring sweets contributions for the Christmas Fair): 24th October

MOVIE NIGHT Friday 14th November

MUFTI and CHRISTMAS FAIR: Friday 28th November

CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING for beginners: Tuesday 2nd December

ANY CHRISTMAS JUMPERS/CLOTHES

**(ADULTS/CHILDRENS/TODDLERS) THAT YOU CAN DONATE FOR
THE CHRISTMAS FAIR, PLEASE DROP OFF AT THE FRONT DESK
ANY TIME THIS TERM.**



Pre Loved School Uniform

Lots of sizes available for a donation in the front entrance.



The Grove School PTA Facebook Page

The Grove School PTA Facebook Page will also keep you up to date on events - e.g. discos, fundraisers, bake sales etc.

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

Year 6 Junior Life Skills – Thursday 16th October

Year 6 Residential - Monday 20th October until Friday 24th October

October half term – Monday 27th October

First day back – Monday 3rd November

Reception Nativity – Tuesday 9th December

Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance - Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December at 2.15pm

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.



@Totnes Leisure Centre

MULTI ACTIVITY HOLIDAY CAMP



SWIMMING

BUBBLE FOOTBALL

ARCHERY TAG

INFLATABLES

NERF WARS

MULTI SPORTS

ARTS & CRAFTS

& LOTS MORE

OCTOBER HALF TERM

8:15AM – 5:15PM

AGES 5 – 12

**27TH OCTOBER – 31ST OCTOBER
BOOKINGS VIA [SPORTYSTARS.CO.UK](https://www.sportystars.co.uk)**



Any queiries please contact via. 07721638935 // ryan@sportystars.co.uk

<https://www.sportystars.co.uk/totnes-multi-activity-camp.html>

OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 23rd September 5-7pm

Totnes Independent School is a non-punitive, independent school for children aged between 11 & 16.

Our school gives students the confidence and support to enjoy their learning and realise their full potential.

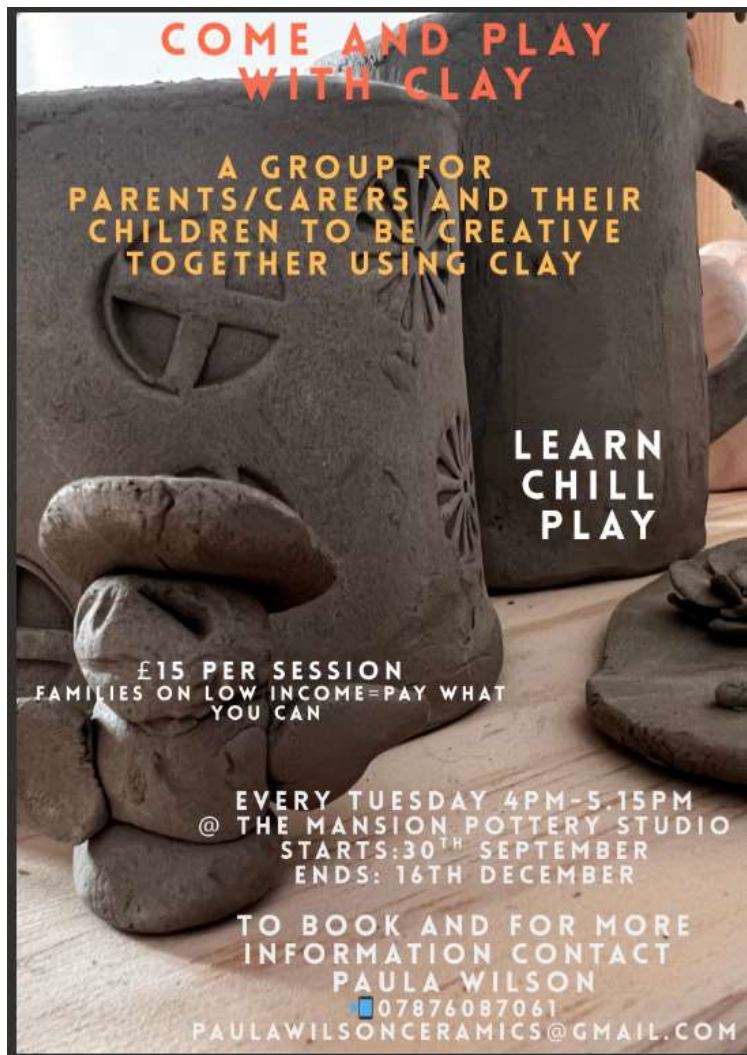
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**Just show up
and explore
our incredible
school!**

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Apple Pressing Morning

Food in Community is holding a family apple morning at Daynes Farm, Harberton TQ9 7FB on Saturday 20th September from 10am to 1pm.

We'll be pressing our collected apples for juicing, but also making crumble and apple pies and there will be an apple art table!

We hope to see you there for a fun morning.

Catherine
Referrals Co-ordinator
07377 987156

Food in Community CIC
<http://www.foodincommunity.org>
Find us on: [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#) [Tiktok](#) [LinkedIn](#)

Jumble Sale Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, 27th September
- **Time:** 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- **Location:** The Dartmouth Inn, Totnes

There are a couple of ways your school community can get involved:

1. **Book a Table:** Tables are available for just £10 each. All of the proceeds from the table fees will go directly to Food for Children Devon CIC to help us continue our mission.
2. **Donate Items:** If you do not wish to book a table, we would be incredibly grateful for any donations of jumble items (e.g., clothes, books, toys, kitchenware) that your school community is able to contribute. We will sell these items on our Food For Children table, with all proceeds also going to the cause.

To book a table or arrange a donation of items, please get in touch with me directly at foodforchildrentotnes@gmail.com or 01803 222629