



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening this week and next

The Fire service will be here on Monday and they will be giving Fire Safety talks to Year 2 and Year 5. Clubs start next week. Children have been given club confirmation slips today and if you could sign them and return them before they start their club.

Children's Bullying Policy

Miss Fernyhough has been working on a child-friendly version of the bullying policy. Please find it on our website.

http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/policies_and_data_protection/138107

TA Position

We are looking for a Teaching Assistant to cover the summer term, full time temporary post. You don't need experience but a good level of maths and literacy is essential. Please let us know if you might be interested.

School Council – The Local Community

This term we have been thinking about ways to get involved in our local community! The new school council members have come up with some wonderful ideas and asked their classes for suggestions. They have decided to focus their energies on two areas – supporting the homeless and caring for the environment. Ms Caldwell asked Bonita at Marketplace Ministries how we could help the homeless and she asked for the following:

1 or 2 man tents (2nd hand/preloved most welcome)

Fresh fruit or vegetables on a Tuesday to go into food delivery boxes throughout the week

Money to go towards shower facilities and other utilities at Marketplace Ministries

If you would like to give money please pop it into an envelope and give to Rebecca on reception. If you have a 1 or 2 man tent or would like to get one from ebay/gumtree please drop it again by the reception area. In respect of fresh fruit and vegetables please donate in person, ideally on Tuesday, at Marketplace Ministries at 2a Burke Road, TQ9 5XL.

The school councilors would like you to join them to do some litter picking, along the amazing River Dart, on the first Sunday of the February half term holidays. **Sunday 16th February from 10-11 a.m.** We will meet at the weir, by the bench with our bags, gloves etc and go off in groups with our parents. Our task will be to find as much litter as possible then meet back after an hour to see what we have found, with a group photo for the school website of course!

Dogs

Just a reminder that all dogs need to be kept outside the school grounds and on leads – unless they are a registered service dog and you have previously told the school.

Friday 24th January 2020 Mufti and/or Bring-a-teddy day, Australia Wildfires Fundraiser

We are worried about the koala bears and other animals in Australia because of the wild fires. We thought we should have a 'non-uniform and bring-a-teddy-into-school' day to raise money for WWF Australia. Suggested donation is £1. Please dress up as an animal if you want to! Maishe in Willow Tree Class.

Praise Assembly

The first praise of this term will be Mountain Ash on Friday 31st January at 2.45. Trumpet Trees praise assembly will be on **Thursday 13th** February at 2.45. This was not published on last week's newsletter.

PTA Meeting- Wednesday 29th January

A reminder that there is going to be a PTA meeting on Wednesday 29th January at 1900 in the Grove School Studio. I would love to see as many of you there as possible. This is your chance to discuss ideas and make decisions on how the money that we raise is spent. We will also be planning our fundraising efforts for the year ahead so any suggestions for this would be welcomed. If you are not able to attend but would like us to consider your views please email me in advance at pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk. The PTA are a really friendly, kind and welcoming group so please do join us if you can. Many thanks, Emily Rowley

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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