



THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 17th July

SHOUT OUTS TO

Acorns – Persie for Learning in maths, Kit B-W for Love in taking turns and sharing, Atticus for Love and making new friends and Taima for Love and her kindness to others

Dove Tree Class, Ioan for Learning in maths and Laurie for Learning in handwriting and phonics

Lilac Tree Class, Emily for Learning in everything! And Meadow for Happiness and her positivity

Lime Tree Class, Lara for Learning in maths and Ava for individuality in handwriting perseverance

Willow Tree Class, Khaled for Learning and positivity and Rosie for Happiness – a total joy!

Mountain Ash Tree Class, Ava for Love and kindness and Lyddon for Individuality and stepping to his own drum beat!

Juniper Tree Class, Iris L for Happiness and a great smile all day and Catalaya for Individuality following her heart and passions

Flame Tree Class, Paige and London both for Love and being so kind and helpful and great team players

Ginkgo Tree Class, Marley for Love and looking after your friends and Bram for Happiness and being so friendly to all

Trumpet Tree Class, Rosie for Learning and a positive Attitude and Lulu for Learning and great improvements in writing



Diversity at the Grove

Are you interested in equality, diversity and inclusion at the Grove? On 26th July at 9am we're having an informal conversation about how the parent community can help shape the experiences of children at the school in relation to cultural diversity. We welcome anyone to attend, in particular those with ideas or questions based on their own lived experience. You can also join the Diversity WhatsApp group in the Grove Community:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/ltZ0W9ltT48lxwUwJubkTb>



Kung-Fu at the Grove School! Starting September 2024.

Study ancient Chinese martial arts with Master Instructor Liam Grange after school on Mondays (3:30-4:30pm). Martial-arts are an excellent way to help children develop their emotional intelligence, and ability to focus, as well as their physical skills (such as agility, balance, flexibility, strength and cardiovascular fitness). Email 5ive8ightkungfu@gmail.com, using the subject "Grove Kungfu" to reserve a place.



Deputy Headteacher

We are thrilled to let you know that Miss Fernyhough will be our permanent Deputy Headteacher from September. She has done an amazing job of acting – Deputy this year and has definitely proven to be more than capable of the role. She will remain teaching Flame Tree Class Monday – Wednesday and have time out of class on Thursdays and Fridays.



MULTI-CULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL

Last Wednesday, Year 5 and 6 held their very first Multicultural Food Festival. Children formed groups and chose a country from anywhere around the world. They worked very hard to research the cultures, traditions and foods of their chosen country and created wonderful displays to teach others. The children were so enthusiastic and brought in foods they had made at home. The whole school took it in turns to visit the festival and in the afternoon, parents and governors came too. It was a huge success and a real credit to our children.





The School Council

The school council met with the governor yesterday in the full governing body meeting. They presented their achievements to the governors really beautifully and we are very grateful for their work and to Miss Fernyhough for her coordination of their efforts.

In summary:

- they have delivered assemblies to the whole school
- they have helped make better links between the school and the local community by writing letters and organising Y3/4 to host coffee mornings with Totnes Caring and Y5/6 to play games with the residents at a local care home (they had some lovely feedback)
- they have written questionnaires, planned and organised voting and feedback from the children on various topics
- they have organised EYFS and Key Stage 1 to carry out litter picking
- they have written letters for the newsletter
- they raised money for the Poppy Appeal and the school
- they have transformed the dining experience for the children at The Grove and are currently gathering feedback
- lastly, they are planning a surprise event for the whole school as a Year 6 good bye gift!





School Meal Orders

Please note that from September we will no longer be able to process manual orders for school meals for your children. The school meals will need to be ordered via Parentpay in advance – by Thursday the week before. This also applies to free school meals.

Unfortunately, it will mean that if a meal hasn't been ordered in advance for your child you will need to send them in with a packed lunch. If they attend school without ordering a meal or bringing in a packed lunch, we will contact you to bring in a packed lunch for them. If this is likely to cause you any difficulty, please come to reception so we can help you order the meals for your children on Parentpay.

Bringing learning home next week

Please could your child bring in a sturdy bag next week as they will be able to bring their finished books and tray contents home towards the end of the week. To save money, most current books will be continued in the child's next class.

Our school website

We have an opportunity to rethink our school website to make it more accessible for you as parents – any feedback would be useful and if anyone has some great ideas we'd be happy to talk them through – website design is not our forte!

PTA UPDATE

Following on from the Annual PTA AGM, the following committee members have been elected.

Chair: Jenni Rowe

Vice Chair: Helen Fernyhough

Secretary: Emily Rowley

Treasurer: Hannah Westrope

Thank you so much to everyone who attended. We have some exciting events planned for the year ahead. Watch this space

Fundraising efforts.

Our online fundraising effort for the field and playground is currently at £270

Here is the link to share around to people who might support our neurodiversity ideas for the playground and the upgrade of our field for the sporty, running around ones!

<https://gofund.me/145c3de1>

You can also donate straight into the school fund on parentpay

Pre Loved School Uniform

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

WHATSAPP COMMUNITY

There are a few of you who have asked about joining the School WhatsApp Community. If you would like to, please find the link below. You can join the various groups from there.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Wednesday 17th July - Year 6 production

Tuesday 23rd July - KS1 Sports day 1 until 3 (weather permitting)

Wednesday 24th July - KS2 Sports day 1 until 3 (weather permitting)

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.

Piano lessons from September 2024

For children starting Year 2 and above, I will have a few spaces available from September as my current Year 6 students will have left.

Please email me for further details.

Many thanks,

Neil Reed

teaching@neilreedmusic.co.uk

LIVE FRAZOO SHOW AT CIVIC HALL

As you know I run Frazoo Club in school, and I'm very excited to announce that I am putting on a Frazoo Live Show at the Civic Hall in Totnes!

Where Civic Hall in Totnes

When 2pm-4pm on Sunday 21st July 2024.

Tickets Available through Eventbrite...

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/frazoo-show-live-remarkable-reptiles-and-colossal-creepy-crawlies-tickets-932646971197?aff=oddtcreator>

I hope to see you there!

KEEP
FAMILIES
TOGETHER

PARK MEET UP

JOIN US FROM MIDDAY
FOR A LOVELY AFTERNOON
AT ONE OF
DEVON'S WONDERFUL PARKS

- FREE PIZZA SLICES AND REFRESHMENTS

SATURDAY 27 JULY

'THINGS HAPPEN HERE'
MEADOWBROOK, SHINNERS BRIDGE,
DARTINGTON
TQ9 6JD



YEAR 6 TRANSITION PARTY

30 JULY 12-2.30pm

Support with starting Secondary school,
Meet Rushbrook Youth workers,
Fun Games & Enjoy the youth centre,
Get your starting Secondary school Info
Support Pack

Food & Drinks provided

£5

AT RUSHBROOK YC

STATION RD, TOTNES

sign up by emailing

rushbrookyc@spacepsm.org

Tel: 01803 849200



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TotnesSPACE

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WWW.SPACEYOUTHSERVICES.ORG

<https://www.spaceyouthservices.org/totnes-yc>

Activities
11-2pm
each day

Week One

THURSDAY 1st Aug

Lego with Brick Ideas & Printing with Lego

Come and be creative with Lego!
Build to your hearts content and
then print a funky pattern

FRIDAY 2nd Aug

Coach trip to Exeter

AM - RAMM Museum: Workshop and explore
exhibition

A free workshops-making gliders and small
hot air balloons linking into their summer
exhibition on the history of transport: "Are
we nearly there yet? A History of Transport"
(rammuseum.org.uk)

PM Free Quay Fridays with Prom Prom
Join Uncle Tacko and friends for
storytelling, puppets, magic, seaside games
& flea circuses on Piazza Terracina

Coach leaving St. John's Primary School at
10am returning by 5pm

EXETER TRIP BOOKING ESSENTIAL!!
Please book by emailing
emma@bebuckfastleigh.co.uk or
Call 07783 581181

- BOOKING REQUIRED

10-
5PM

Week Two

THURSDAY 7th Aug

Designer Food Feast

Sculpt your own fancy food items for a
summer play picnic out of all sorts of
recycled materials. Food Sculpture
from recycled materials with Gaby
from Participate Arts

FRIDAY 8th Aug

Windmills and
wind socks
& the return of the
magical
Spin Art Machine!



Week Three

THURSDAY 15th Aug

BEADS - stars, jewellery, mobiles
and Giant Chalk Drawing



Free lunch
each day
at 12:15

FRIDAY 16th Aug

ALPACA DAY!

Live Alpacas,
alpaca crafts
and an
Interactive
Alpaca story
with Iwan



Week Four

THURSDAY 22nd Aug

Wool Day

With the Woolly Nanas

The wonderful Woolly Nanas
are bringing their old skills and
fleeces along to weave, spin
and card. Come and make
something lovely!

FRIDAY 23rd Aug

A wonderful workshop at
Totnes Library then back to
the school site for lunch
and some creative book
folding!

11-2
each day

- ✓ Drop In Sessions unless otherwise stated
First come first served.

- Of course there may always be last minute
changes beyond our control, so please
take a look at the website and keep up to
date by following our Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/hellosummercommunity

EXETER TRIP BOOKING ESSENTIAL!!

Please book by emailing
mail:hello@bebuckfastleigh.co.uk or
Call 07783 581181

- ✓ For more info go to
www.bebuckfastleigh.co.uk

**FREE LUNCH AT
12:15 EACH DAY**



"Totnes Rotary are pleased
to be supporting this project
for the local community"
www.totnesrotary.co.uk

Many thanks to Live West
for their support.



LiveWest
A home for everyone

About

hello
summer

When?

SESSION TIMES:
11am-2pm
(unless otherwise stated)

Where?

St. John's C of E Primary School,
Pathfields, Bridgetown,
Totnes, TQ9 5TZ.

IMPORTANT

UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN

This programme is not designed to be a
childcare holiday club. Each activity has its
own age requirements but as a rule
children aged 10 or under need to be
accompanied by an adult.
All children and young people must sign in.

Hello Summer is brought to you by:



Better Places is a Community Interest
Company set up to tackle health, social,
and economic inequalities in
Buckfastleigh and other small rural
towns.

"Hello Summer is committed to providing a safe
environment and activities for all participants and
has robust safeguarding policies and procedures in
place. If you have any concerns about safeguarding
you can contact our safeguarding lead at
safeguarding@bebuckfastleigh.co.uk"

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT:
HELLO@BEBUCKFASTLEIGH.CO.UK

FREE

BRIDGETOWN Hello Summer 2024

Eight Days of Activities & Food For Families

Thursdays and Fridays
1st - 23rd August

For more details see:

www.facebook.com/hellosummercommunity



TORBAY COUNCIL



FULLY FUNDED
FOR ALL CHILDREN AGED 5-14
ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFIT RELATED
FREE SCHOOL MEALS
(£25 PER DAY FOR PUPILS NOT ELIGIBLE)

SUMMER SPECIAL
10am - 3pm DAILY FOOTBALL
& MULTI-SPORT
ACTIVITIES

NUTRITIOUS COOKED MEAL EVERY DAY

GO KARTZ

PIZZA MAKING

NUTRITION GUIDES

MAGICIAN & ENTERTAINER

LOCAL TRIPS

CERTIFICATES, PRIZES

ANIMAL HQ VISIT

and much more!

FOR LOCATIONS, DATES AND BOOKINGS PLEASE VISIT

SHEARSOCCE.CO.UK

OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ADAM SHEARER 07967 124844

TORQUAY | PAIGMTON | TOTNES | NEWTON ABBOT | DARTMOUTH





SENDTASTIC SOUTH HAMS!

SEND SUMMER FUN SESSIONS

JOIN US!

Open to all families who have children aged 6 - 11 years old with SEND/additional needs. Come along and have fun with **LEGO BITS AND BOTS!**



**FRIDAY 9th AUGUST
10AM UNTIL 12PM &
THURSDAY 22nd AUGUST
1.30PM UNTIL 3.30PM**



**TOTNES FAMILY HUB
DAISY PLAY CENTRE,
PATHFIELDS, TOTNES, TQ9 5TZ**

learndevon
adult learning and skills



**BOOK VIA
EVENTBRITE -
PLACES ARE
LIMITED, SO BOOK
EARLY!**

**SCAN THE QR
CODE TO
BOOK**

SCAN ME



**Why not visit
our Devon
Family HUB
website?**



**One Devon Advice &
Guidance Line**



0800 538 5458

DEVON
FAMILY HUBS



RIVERSCHOOL

Where nature is the teacher & the river is our guide



HOLIDAY CLUB

FREE 5 Day Grant Funded Summer Holiday Club

August 5th - 9th | August 12th - 16th
August 19th - 23rd



- Travel by Canoe to our woodland basecamp
- Experience Kayaks and Paddleboards
- Bushcraft
- Nature art and craft
- Raft building
- Archery
- Wild swimming
- Fishing
- Campfire cooking
- Story telling
- Wildlife and River care

Activities may include



Where are we?

From the quayside
Stoke Gabriel

RIVERSCHOOL

Our provision is delivered by Canoe Adventures Ltd, operating since 1999 with a proven, accredited safety track record.

We are a registered child care provider with Ofsted (Reg. No. 2731749).

EMAIL:

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www.facebook.com/riverschool.org



TO BOOK:

www.canoeadventures.co.uk

Places are limited so please book early



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