



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

We are closed on Bank holiday VE day this Friday 8th May. There will be no home learning on that day, but if you fancy researching ways that VE day was celebrated you could hold your own family at home street party!!

### **Current reception children's classes for September**

The 45 children in the Acorn Unit will be separated into 3 groups of 15 and join the current year one children. The staff will take into consideration many factors including; friendships, group dynamics, gender, special educational needs and academic ability. If you would like to make us aware of any specific preferences you would like taken into consideration, please email Hilary Priest, [head@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:head@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk) by 15th May 2020.

### **Families urged to check if their children are eligible for free school meals**

A child may be eligible for free school meals if their family receives:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – if you applied on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Families can apply online, and need to supply their child or children's name, date of birth and current school as well as their own name, date of birth and National Insurance number.

Apply through the website

[https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=/CCSCitizenPortal\\_LIVE/](https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/)

### **SAM Music Service**

SAM Music Service offers affordable online live weekly individual 30 minute drum, guitar, piano and vocal lessons. Packages of 5 and 10 lessons on offer (discounts available) using an easy and secure connection via their bespoke

mySAM online lesson reporting platform. You can even pay for a taster lesson to try it first. **Childcare Vouchers accepted!** Instruments are available through their partner online store. To see a short promo video, contact details or for more information, please visit [www.sammusicsservice.com](http://www.sammusicsservice.com) **‘Stay home and be inspired!’** **To enquire**, just complete the short enquiry box on [www.sammusicsservice.com](http://www.sammusicsservice.com), and SAM will be in touch soon!

**Keep safe and keep well. Hilary Priest**