



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

A big THANK YOU to Jenni Rowe and Alex Teague for spending their free time making the school look and feel festive.



### **History Showcase – Schools in Victorian Times Years 1 and 2.**

Next Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December for Lime Tree and Dove Tree and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December for Beech Tree class, the children will be showcasing their learning about schools in Victorian times. They will be able to come into school dressed as school children in Victorian times. You will be able to watch their showcase on Seesaw. Please do not go to any extra expense of buying any costumes. If you have any questions please ask.

### **Personal Challenge Festival**

Some children from years 5 and 6 took part in a virtual festival against other schools in The South Dartmoor School Sport Partnership. They were given five challenges, which were: bean bag agility, ball bounce, long jump, tennis volleys, stork balance and skipping. The challenge was to improve their personal score. The children had great fun and they all managed to beat their own score in at least one of the activities. Well done to everyone who took part.

### **PTA Christmas Raffle**

The Christmas Raffle tickets will be sent home with your children this week and extras will also be available from the front desk. They are £1 each and will be sent home in books of 5. We have some really generous and fabulous donations, including; Dartington Hall B&B voucher, Cheese and Wine tasting at Sharphams, East Gate Bookshop voucher, Canoe Adventures voucher, Love Yoga Tree voucher, Waterside Bistro voucher, Curator voucher, Bens Food and Wine Magnum, Almond Thief voucher, tickets for New Lion Brewery Xmas Party, Marchand Petit donation, bottles of fizz/port, chocolates and fabulous children toy hampers. We have an opportunity for this to be a great fundraising effort so please consider supporting us.

### **PTA Christmas Cards**

A reminder to you all that Christmas card designs deadline is today! If you need any help please email: [pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk)

### **PTA Christmas Jumpers and Lucky Dip**

Many thanks for those that have contributed to this. Our intention was to have an after school sale alongside some festive treats. However, given current situations I feel it is sensible to postpone this. I will store the chrimbo jumpers for next year. The “small toy amnesty lucky dip” is still a great opportunity to have a clear out and recycle/reuse. So, I’m keen to still support this effort and arrange an opportunity in the New Year to “lucky dip”.

### **PTA School Lottery -PTA School Lottery**

For those that haven’t already signed up for the school lottery this is a really easy simple way to raise money for the school whilst also giving you the chance of winning the guaranteed local weekly prize or scooping the £25000 jackpot. The link to sign up is <http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-grove-school-totnes>. There are special bonus Christmas prizes and opportunities throughout the year. There is a guaranteed winner every week from the school.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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