



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening this week and next

On Monday the author Clare Welsh, will be spending the day at the Grove sharing some of her books and the process she goes through as a writer when creating a book. The children will take part in a writing workshop and have the opportunity to explore Clare's travelling office van! We will also be running a competition throughout the week for Clare to judge. If you'd like to find out more about Clare and her books, follow the link to her website: <https://clarehelenwelsh.com/>

On Tuesday Robins and Treecreepers will be going on their trip to Torbay Olympic gym Club to experience a range of gymnastic equipment, including the sprung floor and the climbing wall. They will have fun being active and broadening their physical experiences. The trip is being funded by The PE and Sports Funding Premium.

The Children's Kitchen

Thank you so much for all the lovely feedback about the school meals and the Come Dine With Me experiences. We are currently working on a Summer menu – if you have any great ideas please let us know. We are going to continue the Come Dine with Me experiences each week – taking bookings until Easter currently.

Teacher Strike days

The last currently planned teacher strike days occur next week on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March. We are anticipating these classes will be closed on these days:

Wednesday 16th – closed: Robins, Willow, Ginkgo and Flame with Beech opening from 11:45am

Thursday 17th – closed: Robins, Lime and Beech with Willow and Ginkgo open from 11:45

All other classes will be open and we expect full attendance and attendance of siblings. If this changes then we will let you know but I would make your plans on this basis for now.

FLAME TREE'S CLOTHES SALE

The children of Flame Tree Class have decided that they would like to organise a SECOND HAND CLOTHES SALE to raise money for our kitchen.

This is to take place on:

THURSDAY 23rd MARCH after school between 3:15 and 4:30pm.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE.

If you have any second hand children's clothes, please bring them into school by Friday 17th March so that we can prepare for the event. Please make sure that the clothes are in good condition and clean. Please can you bring them into school in a bag labelled with the sizes of the clothes.

If there are any Flame Tree parents who would be up for helping with the event and would be able to come into school earlier on the day (2pm) to help set up, please email helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Many thanks, Flame Tress Class

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

Years 5/6 Non Swimmers every Monday until Easter

Years 3 and 4, Dynamic Adventures – Free – Tuesday 28th March Mountain Ash, Wednesday 29th March Willow Tree and Thursday 30th March Beech Tree class

Meet Dr Emily – Wednesday 29th March

Year 5 One Night Residential – Thursday 30th March

Last day of term is Friday 31st March and First day back is Tuesday 18th April

Reception and Year 6 National Childhood Measurement Programme (please opt out if you do not want to participate) – Wednesday 26th April

Class photos – Thursday 25th May (New date)

Extra Bank Holiday, School Closed for Kings Coronation – Monday 8th May 2023

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.

Reeve & McIntyre are back!!!

The team that brought us the bestselling *Pugs of the Frozen North* have got together for a new series of rodent capers.



Looking for BIG adventures, plucky Pedro is rescued by the **ADVENTUREMICE** - a brave, determined team who keep the Mouse Islands safe from harm. The first book in Reeve and McIntyre's series of rodent exploits is a fabulously silly escapade that's perfect for would-be adventurers aged eight and under.

Adventuremice: Otter Chaos
by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre
Paperback £6.99, Published March 2023



The East Gate
Bookshop

East Gate Bookshop has teamed up with **The Angel**
- a beautiful space, just around the corner from the bookshop.

We are chuffed to bits that Philip and Sarah will be introducing us to the fun and frolics of **ADVENTUREMICE: OTTER CHAOS** and invite you to join us...



At: The Angel
On, Saturday 11th March, between 11:00 and 12:00.

Tickets are only **£2.00 per child** and accompanying grown-ups get in for **free!** They are available online and from the East Gate Bookshop



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ROLLER DAY DISCO AT DARTINGTON

Sunday 12 March 2023

11am – 12.30pm | 12.45 – 2.15pm | 4 – 5.30pm

Studios 30 and 31, Dartington Trust

All tickets £6 | Group of 4 £20 | Ticket includes safety gear but not skate hire | Skate hire 50p available at the venue on the day (cash only)

<https://www.dartington.org/event/roller-day-disco/>



Join our new daytime skate and disco sessions – a great way for skaters of all ages and abilities to have a laugh and connect with friends and family.

Run in collaboration with Revolution Skate, the event includes live DJs spinning the funkier tunes and friendly volunteers on hand to help get you steady on your feet – or learn some moves!

Stick around for drinks & snacks in the pop up cafe after your skate.

'First time with you guys tonight and had an amazing time! Very friendly and relaxed. We will be back!' – recent Facebook review (Revolution Skate)