



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening this week and next

Some of year 5 and 6 children will start swimming next week. All classes are very busy rehearsing for their Christmas performances. Planning letters have gone out to Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 so please look out for these and return them as soon as possible. There was a mistake on the Year 3 and 4 letter with dates and they should read Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th December. Tickets for Aladdin have already been sent home and tickets for Sugar Plum will be out this week. On Wednesday next week the Acorn Tree unit will be performing their Nativity and the performance starts at 9.30. Also on Wednesday next week all of Years 5 and 6 are going to Ariel Centre to watch the KEVICCS dress rehearsal of Beauty and the Beast.

School finishing time

The school day finishes at 3.15. We have noticed that there are a lot of parents that are late collecting their children. If you are late your child will be taken to wait with Rebecca and this will be noted in our files.

Unaccompanied Children

All children that walk home on their own need to go straight home after school. No children should be on the field or playground without an adult actively supervising them.

Volunteers to hear children read

We are in need of volunteers who might be able to spare half a day every week to join a class to hear children read – if this is something you would like to do then please let us know. You will need to have a police check (DBS) but we can arrange this for you and will provide training.

Children's Kitchen

Unfortunately we had to change the menu this week due to staff illness and we are sorry if this has caused any inconvenience to you and the children. Hopefully everyone has received the new details for this week but here they are again:-

Wednesday

Chicken Noodle Soup (DF) or Tomato Sauce and Pasta (DF, GF)

Thursday

Leek and Potato Soup or Jacket Potato (DF, GF)

Friday

Fish Fingers or Cheese (DF, GF) and Tomato Puff

Preparations for the Christmas Fair (Friday 13th December 15.30-17.30)

A reminder to you all that the Christmas Fair is next Friday, please join us to enjoy all the fun and festivities. There are lots of yummy cakes, hot dogs and mulled wine. We have some great games stalls for children and adults, a superb craft room for the opportunity to make some homemade decorations and the very popular tombola stall. We also have Elfridges; a chance for the children to buy their parents/carers/friends a secret gift. The fair is such a lovely event to help get you into the festive spirit, for the children to have fun and support the PTA's fundraising efforts.

THANK YOU to those of you that have been helping to fill up the tombola boxes, this stall is always so popular so we would really appreciate your generosity in donating good quality gifts, chocolates, bottles/jars/wine, bubble baths/smellies, stationary sets etc.

We would really appreciate any help in the second hour (16.30-17.30), this gives you a chance to enjoy the Fair with your children and then support it by volunteering to help! If you are able to help please do email me at: pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

We still really need some wool; if anyone has any bundles of white (or cream) wool that they would be happy to donate, please let us know – thank you!

PTA Christmas Raffle

The children should have come home with a book of raffle tickets. We have had some very generous donations and very exciting and interesting prizes are available.

The top prize is £100 donated from Marchant Petit. Friends of the school have donated vouchers for Fifty5a, Café Mumbai, Love Yoga, Waterside Restaurant, Pie Street, Nkuku, China Blue, Venus Café, Pie Street, Ben's Farm Shop, Personalised party invites from Gareth Coxon, Yoga at the Forge Yoga Centre, Morrison's, Gather, Curator, Plymouth Argyle, Gifts from Nicky Haynes, Exeter City Football Club, Fab Beauty, Seven Stars and One and Eight.

WOW WOW WOW!

Tickets are £1 each or £5 for the book, if you would like more please ask Rebecca at the front desk, obviously the more you get the higher your chance of scooping the wonderful prizes!

If any parents/carers/friends of the school would like to donate a raffle prize please get in touch, we really appreciate your support, pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Mufti Day – Friday 13th December

The day of the Christmas Fair is also a Mufti Day!

We are asking that the KS1 (Reception, year 1 and year 2) bring in a donation of cakes/bakes/mince pies and the KS2 (Year 3,4,5 and 6) bring in a donation of a bottle or jar for the Tombola, to contribute to the Fair in the afternoon. So please get your baking skills and bottle at the ready for collection in the morning.

Praise Assembly

The last praise assembly for this year is Grey Birch Tree on Friday 6th December at 2.45pm.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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The Grove School PTA
Cordially Invites You to Our

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 13th December

15.30-17.30

Entrance via the main entrance only.

Lots of fun games and stalls:

Grab a hot dog and mince pie or slice of cake with your mulled wine.

Enjoy the delights of lots of fun games and entertainment, tombola extravaganza, craft room delights, Elfridges (for those well deserved secret pressies) and our spectacular raffle.

So much fun to be had and at the same time a huge contribution to the PTA fundraising efforts; please do support us.