



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening this week and next

Clubs have started this week. Years 3, 4 and 5 went to KEVICC today to be in the Smile Sing Project. Children get the opportunity to feel part of a larger community and improve their skills and confidence by singing in a large ensemble as we bring together 6 different schools to all sing together for FUN!

Year 2 and Swimming

Just to clarify Group 1 will swim next week Monday 17th and then Group 2 will start week after on Monday 24th June for five weeks.

Early Help for Mental Health – parent workshop

We are running an EH4MH workshop for parents on **Friday 22nd June in the Studio at 9am.** Please sign up with Rebecca.

Dementia Friends session – parent and adult workshop

We will be holding another information session on **Friday 5th July in the Studio 9:15am – 10:15am,** in a hope to make some new Dementia friends and continue to increase awareness. If you would like to attend please can you give your name to Rebecca so we have an idea of numbers. Parents and other adults you know who are interested may attend but please ensure everyone brings photo ID to be signed in. Please see information below for further details.

Adding up your hours for the Children's University Scheme

We're really enjoying being part of the Children's University scheme. For all those who have signed up, hopefully it's inspiring you to become lifelong learners. Remember, you can sign up any time for the scheme. Just see Rebecca for a sign-up letter. There's been a bit of confusion over how to add up the hours you've been accruing. Plymouth University has this guidance which we can follow from now on...

Students can claim for 1 hour (1 stamp), per week, per activity / club.

E.g. If a student attends 5 hours of swimming lessons, they can only claim for one of those hours each week. However, if they attend 1 hour each of swimming, dance, science, music and chess clubs, they can have a stamp for each of these activities, which makes a total of 5 stamps for the week. This was put in place by Central Children's University and is to encourage students to take part in as many different activities as possible.

If you go to Saltram House and do two different activities, that also still counts for two stamps. Equally, a 6 hour multi-activity day would get you 6 stamps. We think we've got our heads around this rule, but if you have any questions please do ask Mr Gude or Miss Fernyhough.

Lost Property

We have an awful lot of lost property that is un-named. We have laid it all out in the school outside the staffroom. All named belongings have made their way back to class. If this lost property is not claimed it will be donated to other parents.

PTA Mufti Day Friday 14th June

We are kindly asking for donations towards our Tombola (new and unwanted gifts, wine, beer, pop, smellies, chocolates or children's books) and Adopt a Teddy (teddies) stall.

Summer Fair Help

If you can offer any help on the day please get in contact on: pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

We can't run our Summer Fair without your support! There is also a chart with Rebecca as to where we need help.

PTA Cake Stall

Thank you to Guava and Mountain Ash for the yummy cakes last week. Tomorrow is the turn of Lime and Ginkgo to supply the sweet treats. Please could you leave your cakes with your class teacher or Rebecca in the morning. Thank you!

Summer Fair Raffle Tickets

Please look out in your child's book bags for raffle tickets. We have some fantastic prizes on offer; Gift vouchers for Fifty5a, The Cott Inn, The Royal Seven Stars, Station Garage (MOT), Dynamic Adventures along with a Nicky James bag and Clock, Wooden ducks from Dcuk and much more! Please sell tickets to all your friends and family! There are more books available from Rebecca.

Praise Assemblies

Praise assembly this week is Willow Tree class on Friday at 2.45 in the hall. Next week's praise assembly is Flame Tree class.

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.

Guided Cycle Rides

Facebook link <https://www.facebook.com/GuidedRidesTotnes>

Let's ride, <https://www.letsride.co.uk/rides/totnes-to-ashprington-l>

As part of our vision to be a Dementia friendly school, last year just over 300 children, staff, parents and friends of the school became Dementia friends.

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Dementia Friends – Helping to create dementia friendly communities

Dementia Friends is an Alzheimer's Society led initiative which aims to increase dementia awareness and change the way the nation thinks, talks and acts about dementia.

A Dementia Friend is someone who has attended an information session and has committed to an action that will make the lives of people living with dementia a little bit better. Anyone of any age can be a Dementia Friend and every action counts - from helping someone to find the right bus to spreading the word about dementia by wearing a badge.

Dementia Friends Champions are trained volunteers who encourage their family, friends, colleagues and local community to understand a little bit more about dementia, what it's like to live with dementia and then turn that understanding into action.

As a trained Dementia Friends Champion Mrs MacLeod will be delivering the information sessions, in which they will learn more about dementia and how they can help to create dementia friendly communities.

If you would like to find out more about Dementia Friends please visit dementiafriends.org.uk or if you have any questions about the information sessions, please contact Mrs MacLeod. vickym@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk



www.dangerousdads.org.uk/dadfest

September 13th, 14th & 15th

DadFest2019TM

Location: 'Forest & Beach', Beeson, South Devon. TQ7 2ED

Awarded 'Best Small Event in the UK' & the only festival
just for dads/ male carers and their children

campfire stories • archery • water rockets • pig racing
spoon carving • bushcraft • star-gazing • mackerel fishing
mud kitchen • kids entertainer • live music • tattoos
mobile art-space • dad choir • stroke a lobster • fake wounds
• award-winning local food & beers • & more...

Official 2019 World Dad Dancing Championship

starts Fri. 13th Sept - ends Sun. 15th Sept

DadFest2019 tickets must be bought in advance

Children 5 & under £15 + £35 option food ticket for the weekend

Children aged 6 & over £35 + £35 option food ticket for the weekend

Dads/ male carers: £60 + £45 option food ticket for the weekend

DadFest Ticket = all weekend activities: no other costs

Add a food ticket = six great meals & all cold/ hot drinks!

Concessions available – please contact the organisers

Book early: 077317 95160 info@dangerousdads.org.uk



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