



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Children's school reports for 21-22

The children's school reports will be emailed to you over the week beginning the 11th July. If you don't have yours by Monday 18th please get in touch immediately. If you require yours as a paper copy, then please also let us know. We will email the reports to one parent and would appreciate if you could forward the report to the other parent or carer. Please ensure we have your current email address if you have changed yours since September 2021.

Rebecca will email out the following classes on the days stated below:-

Monday 11th July – Acorns (Robins and Treecreepers) and Lime

Tuesday 12th July – Dove and Beech

Wednesday 13th July – Chestnut and Mountain Ash

Thursday 14th July – Oak and Flame

Friday 15th July – Trumpet and Ginkgo

Whole School Assessment results

We are thrilled with the outcomes of the assessments this year across the school. After a couple of extremely challenging years these results are just one indicator amongst many, that demonstrate how hard Team Grove has been working – staff and children alike!

EYFS are assessed against the Early Learning Goals and 77% have achieved the age appropriate standard in all areas this year. (We think this is amazing – these children have literally lived half their lives in the pandemic.)

Year 1s complete a phonics test – 85% passed this, and those that didn't were really close.

Year 2s complete tests which feed into Teacher assessments and they are given one of the 3 outcomes for each subject – working below age expected level, working at expected level, or working at greater depth:

(the expected + score combines expected and greater depth – as in all those who passed)

Y2 maths 91% expected +, 44% greater depth

Y2 reading 92% expected +, 36% greater depth

Y2 writing 78% expected +, 9% greater depth

Y2 science 98% expected (no greater depth assessment for science)

Y4 take a times table online timed check (6 seconds per question to read it and type in the correct answer to score!) – we have results but they don't give a pass score. However, if we were guessing a pass score then 28 children scored 18 or higher out of 25!

Year 6 take formal, externally marked tests in reading comprehension, maths arithmetic, maths reasoning, spelling, grammar and punctuation and teachers assess writing and science:

Y6 maths – 87% expected +, 54% greater depth

Y6 reading – 92% expected +, 44% greater depth

Y6 writing - 77% expected +, 31% greater depth

Y6 spelling, punctuation and grammar combined - 87% expected +, 54% greater depth

Y6 science 88% expected (no greater depth assessment for science)

Y6 Children who gained expected in all three reading, writing and maths – 81% (national for 2022 is 59%)

Y6 Children who gained greater depth in all three – 19% (9 children)

MICRO, MINI and JUNIOR DUKE

WOW!! What AMAZING children you have. I have seen some amazing booklets that have been completed with some fantastic challenges achieved. Some super proud children too.

We will be mentioning all the children who have completed their Micro, Mini or Junior Duke level in the whole school assembly on the 15th July. The more children who can receive recognition for their award the better so get filling in your booklets and completing those final challenges.

If for any reason this is not possible – don't worry – you can complete the challenge over the summer holidays and your child will still receive their certificate and badge ready to start the next challenge!!

Happy Duking everyone!

Remember – any photos you would like to share – please send them to:

helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

YEAR 6 SHOW – HELP – PLEASE!!

Our Year 6 children have been working really hard rehearsing their Year 6 show which is due to take place on Wednesday 20th July at The Civic Hall. In the past, we have used KEVICC as a venue and made use of their amazing sound and lighting systems. This year, they are using The Aerial Centre for their production of Footloose. The lighting system is fine at The Civic Hall but we will only have one main microphone for the children and are worried that voices will be lost in such a big space (we are working really hard on voice projection!).

IS THERE ANYONE OUT THERE WHO CAN HELP WITH SOUND? IS THERE ANYONE WHO CAN SOURCE MICROPHONES THAT MIGHT BE COMPATIBLE? WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL.

MANY THANKS IN ADVANCE. THE YEAR 5 AND 6 TEAM.

Sports Afternoon

We would like to invite you to our sports afternoons. The sports afternoons will be taking place on Monday 11th July for KS2 and Tuesday 12th July for Reception and KS1 (weather permitting). The children will be in cross-year group teams and will participate in a number of athletic activities, which have been planned by year 5 and 6.

Siblings will be in the same teams. Teams accumulate points which add up towards a team taking 1st place. There are not individual competitive races for our sports days.

Your child will be bringing home a letter with details about the team they are in. They can wear their kit to school on the day. Two tickets per family will also be attached. If you do not need your tickets, please return them to school. The sports afternoon will start at 1:30. Please arrive at 1:15 at the back gate entrance (Heathway) with your tickets.

Orchard After School club September 2022

Sarah will still be running Orchard after school club in September with Cherry. If you would like to check places available or book then please email orchard@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk or sallford@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk. More information can be found on our website

Violin Lessons in September

If you would like your child to have violin lessons at school then lessons start in a group of 2 or 3 children for 30 minutes. The cost is £7.50 per child (group of 2) per lessons and £5.00 per child (group of 3) per lesson. Please contact Jacqui 07920100495 or email Jacquiriedlinger@hotmail.com. Violins are available to borrow.

PTA Cake Sale

Thanks to the bakers in Ginkgo Tree Class, another fantastic amount was raised last week. This week it is the turn of **FLAME Tree Class**, I would be so grateful if any of the **FLAME Tree Class** children, parents or carers could bake or donate cakes for this week. Please drop off your bakes and cakes in the morning, either at the front entrance with Rebecca or at the back entrance (we'll be at one of the tables on the back field).

Next week there will be **NO CAKE SALE**. We have had some amazing cakes over the last few weeks and I would really appreciate a **WHOLE SCHOOL** effort for cakes and bakes next FRIDAY (15th July) for the Summer Fete. Please drop them off in the morning so we can get everything setup. Thanks so much!

PTA Summer Fete (Friday 15th July 1700 – 2000)

The summer fete is next week and I'm really looking forward to seeing all the children, parents/carers and teachers and staff having fun. There will be a Bar and BBQ so bring a rug to chill out and catch up with friends. We have music from the children and also a music feast of entertainment. There are lots of stalls ranging from the amazing Tombola, Lucky Dip, Sweet Cones, Books and Treats alongside lots of games and challenges for prizes.

The teachers have already started signing up to help run the stalls but we really need **HELP** from parents to run stalls in the 1830-2000 slot – please email me to volunteer. pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

We would really appreciate your donations of the following over the next two weeks so we can get ready:

- 1) Teddy bears and cuddly toys. A much loved stall at the fairs. We antibac wash and rename the toys for the children to adopt.
- 2) Tombola prizes. Please raid your cupboards for bottles/jars/unwanted gifts or perhaps pick up an extra bottle when you next do your shop!

Please drop all donations off at the front desk with either EMILY ROWLEY or JENNI ROWE written on it. If you have any questions please email me pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

PTA Summer Fete Raffle

Raffle tickets have been sent out this week. We have had some amazing donations for the raffle:

- East Gate Bookshop – Two £10 vouchers
- Two night Camping Break for up to 6people at Whitehill Country Park
- Yoga Classes (x10) with Love Yoga Tree
- The Bull Inn – 2 course dinner for two with a bottle of wine
- Pig and Whistle voucher
- Sharpham voucher for Sandridge Barton
- Plymouth Argyle Summer Workshop Place
- Venus Café – Three £20 vouchers and a BodyBoard
- Curator voucher
- £20 Pie Street Voucher
- £44 Riverford Field Kitchen Voucher

Books of five tickets at £1 per ticket will be sent home with each child. Please return to their class or front desk. More tickets available at front desk or email me on pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

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.



Boys and Girls U6 (year 1) Tag rugby¶

When: September¶

Where: Totnes Rugby Club¶

Time: Sunday 9.15– 10am¶

**For more information or if you would like to help out
with the coaching please contact Owen via e mail: ·**

owenbickerstaff@hotmail.com¶

