



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening in school this week and next

Ginkgo, Maple and Flame Tree class have all been invited to Sharpham Estate on different days to take part in setting up a seed bank and relocating plants to other parts of the estate. Year 4 are being evacuated and the athletics finals are taking place.

Class Photographs

They have all been sent off and should be back with you by Friday 14th July. Tempest have told us that they take two weeks to process.

Willow Tree Class Trip

On Monday, Willow class went to Fowlescombe Farm to be farmers for the day. We fed the sheep, chickens, ducks and a baby lamb. We held chicks and ducklings and watched a sheep having its coat off for the summer. We also planted some seeds and really enjoyed sitting on the different farm vehicles. We learnt an awful lot about where our food comes from and had a lot of fun doing it.

Year 5 Trip to Tropiquaria and Sleep over

On Friday 16th June, Y5 had their sleepover and class trip to Tropiquaria (near Minehead). Both went really, really well; Y5's behaviour was brilliant and they were a credit to the school. Our trip to Tropiquaria was to enhance our learning about Rainforests. We got to experience the climate in the tropical house, saw lots of creatures that inhabit rainforests and got up close and personal with a python, parrot and a lizard. On our return to school we spend a barmy summer's evening enjoying a BBQ, team games and a film night. The children really made themselves at home and as unbelievable as this might sound, actually had a good night's sleep.

Maple Class

Year 4 were evacuated to KEVICC yesterday. They wore their name labels and took their gas masks ready to take part in an air raid. They also planned the food and clothes for a wartime wedding - tricky when everything's rationed! An Army Captain checked their identity cards to make sure they weren't spies before enrolling them in the Home Guard. As soon as they were all cleared, training started immediately with some drilling; charging (not their mobile phones!) and patrols - they even discovered a spy! What a great day!

Year 4 Athletics final

Yesterday some children from Year 4 came 2nd in an athletics competition with 9 other schools. We were meant to have 12 people compete but we only had 8. 4 people had to do 2 lots of work on various activities. We were 2 points off coming first but we all felt happy and proud. Written by Bess and Rose.

Active Lives Survey

The Grove School, has randomly being selected by Ipsos Mori to take part in the pilot of the Active Lives Survey for children and young people, run by Sport England. Sport England is looking to collect information about sport and activities from children and young people aged 5 - 16 in school, parents of the younger children taking part will also be asked questions. If your child's class is taking part in the survey you will receive more information shortly. The year groups taking part are, Year 2, 3 and 4.

Mufti Day this Friday

Children pay £1 which will go towards raising money for Stage 2 of the climbing equipment.

Cake sale

Thank you to Willow Tree who raised a fantastic £47.00 last week with their cakes. Tomorrow is the turn of **Lime Tree** class to wow us with their sweet treats. Please leave cakes with Rebecca before 3.10pm.

Summer Fair News!

With one week left to go the PTA are working really hard to make the Summer Fair one that you will all enjoy. Thank you for all the kind offers of help so far, we really couldn't do it without all your support. It's not too late to volunteer, if you can, please email pta@the-grove-school-primary.devon.sch.uk

The Fair starts at 5pm with all the traditional games, tombola, BBQ, bar, cream teas and much more.

We have had lots of lovely tombola donations, but could do with a few more bits, books, wine and good quality gifts.

The raffle tickets were sent home last week. If you need anymore books, please see Rebecca. We have some wonderful prizes up for grabs.

Year 6 End of Year Production

We still have some spare tickets for their production of "The Amazing Adventures of Superstar" next Wednesday 5th July at KEVICC, Ariel centre. The performance is at 6pm. Please see Rebecca for tickets. You are all welcome. All the children will be seeing the 1pm performance.

Praise Assemblies

Praise assembly this week on Friday at 2.45 is Lime Tree Class. Next weeks praise assembly is Willow Tree class on Friday 7th July at 2.45.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

FLUTE FOR SALE

Excellent starter flute for sale. Jupiter model JFL 51 IE-II, with both curved and straight head joints, making it suitable for younger as well as older players. In excellent condition and ready to play- regularly serviced by Lucy Annetts, Ivybridge Musical Repairs. £105.

For further details please contact Lesley Jamson (Ali in year 6's mum) on 07765 333192