



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **What is happening this week and next**

Year 2 Group 2 have started swimming. Some of Year 6 are participating on their Bikeability course. Next week Ginkgo, Flame and Chestnut will be spending the day on the Sharpham Estate setting up seed banks and investigating the natural world around the Estate. On Tuesday Years 1 and 2 are taking part in a Summer Games Festival at KEVICC. Please could permission slips be returned. Year 5 will be Elizabethan dancing at the Civic Square on Tuesday at 11am if parents want to watch and support. Some of Year 5 have also been invited to KEVICC on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, to take part in a robotics workshop. The session will be run by Plymouth University and should be a fantastic opportunity to explore the world of coding, programming and building of robots to complete a range of different tasks.

### **Lime Tree class trip to Fermoys**

Children from Lime Tree class had a lovely time at Fermoys yesterday learning about plants and growing. They all had a chance to fly the birds between them using the leather glove, really thrilled with doing this. All took a plant and some seeds home to continue with their growing experience.

### **Sports day – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

We have become quite a large school (roughly 300 children and 500 parents) and last year to have sports day all together was a bit of a squish and brought a lot of extra anxiety for the youngest children particularly and those who struggle with sensory overloading! This year we have made the decision that we will run two sections to sports day. Acorn, Willow, Lime and Beech will have their sports day events from 12:15 until 1:15 and the rest of the school will have theirs from 1:30 until 3pm. As usual, you are welcome to watch.

### **No Pottery club on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

### **KEVICC**

We wanted to send our congratulations and best wishes to the KEVICC team for their excellent Ofsted report.

### **Change to date of early 2020 May Bank Holiday**

You may have seen the announcement over the weekend that the spring Bank Holiday will be moved from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020. This is related to recognition of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe.

### **EDF Energy's Force for Good Community Volunteering programme**

EDF Energy offers all employees at least two days of work time per year, to take part in 'Force for Good Community Volunteering'. Employees are encouraged to use the programme to participate and engage with the

local communities. We were lucky, and extremely grateful, because they came to volunteer here at the school. There were 10 volunteers and they did some painting and decorating for us around the school including in the studio, Acorn classroom, the hall and the hallways

The EDF team leader sent us this message: 'We just wanted to say a massive thank you from me and the team for giving us the opportunity to complete some voluntary work at the school and making us all feel so welcome. It is great to be able to give something back to the community and I know at a time where schools budgets are so stretched that you appreciate it. Everyone had a great time and I had so many comments about how lovely the school was and how polite the children were, offering to open doors for us, thanking us for painting their school. This is a credit to you and your staff and I'm proud to say that my son (and daughter from September) go to The Grove.'


### **Dementia Friends session – parent and adult workshop**

We will be holding another information session on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **Emergency First Aid course for parents only £15 for 2 hours**

Next week each class will be having their own first Aid session run by Katie who owns Kidz First Aid. Children will learn about Emergency first aid including CPR.

Katie who will be running these sessions is offering special one off Emergency First Aid course for Parents next Thursday here at school from 3.30 until 5.30 if you would like to sign up. This is a great opportunity and if you know of anyone who else is interested in this then please let them know.



## Emergency First Aid for Parents

Thursday 4 July  
3.30-5.30 Grove School

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> July, Katie from KFA will be coming to Grove School to teach all the children first aid.

This will give them skills to help you in an emergency but would you know how to help them?

If the answer is no don't worry, for just £15 per person you can learn emergency life saving skills too

The course covers what to do for adults, children and babies and includes unconscious casualty, CPR, choking, AEDs

### **Thursday Bakes**

Thank you to Bay and Beech for all their delicious treats last week. Tomorrow is the turn of Willow and Chestnut to bake. Please could you leave all cakes with either your child's class teacher or Rebecca in the morning. There are only three Thursday bakes left, so get baking! Please feel free to bake even if it is not your child's classes turn, the children and PTA appreciate all donations!

**Friday 12th July** - Bake for Mufti. All cakes will stock our much loved cake stall at the Summer Fair.

### **PTA Summer Fair**

We are still very short on volunteers for our Summer Fair. We need your support to run these events, so please, if you can spare an hour let us know. We want to make our Summer Fair a fun occasion for all the family whilst helping to raise money for our school. We need help with the Children's Crafts, Face painting/Glitter Tattoos, and the General Games. We really do appreciate any help you can offer.

We will have all the regular fun and games along with a Hog Roast, Burgers, Sausages, vegetarian options, candy floss and a guest appearance from Johan at Delphinis selling his amazing Gelato. We also have a few craft stalls to keep the adults entertained along with a disco! Get ready for some line dancing at the Saloon Bar.

### **Please hand in Raffle Tickets**

There are more tickets at reception, please help yourselves to a book. Each ticket is £1.00. We have some amazing prizes on offer including; £100 Cash, Meal Vouchers for The Cost Inn, The Waterside Voucher, The Seven Stars, Fifty5a Voucher, Love Yoga Voucher, Dot Design Party Invite Voucher, Usborne Book Voucher, A Family Pass to Pennywell Farm, Half Day of Fun At Dynamic Dartington, A hamper kindly donated by Marchand Petit, Delphini's Voucher and much more!

### **Praise Assemblies**

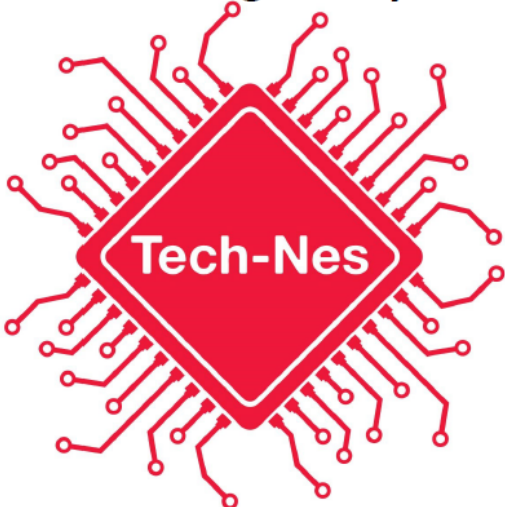
Praise assembly this week is Beech Tree class on Friday at 2.45 in the hall. Next week's praise assembly is Lime Tree class.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

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The Grove School PTA

# SUMMER FAYRE



Friday, 12 July

5pm - 8pm

★ HOOK A DUCK ★ TOMBOLA ★ SALOON BAR ★  
RAFFLE ★ HOT DRINKS & CAKES ★ HOOPLA  
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