



### Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

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

Clubs will be starting next week and please remember to return the consent form before the club starts. Tempest photography were here today to take class photos and the Year 6 leavers photo. The children will be given copies of the proofs next week and you can then place your order. Year 2 will start swimming again on Monday.

### **Class lists for September 2019**

Your child will be handed a paper copy of the class list and allocated staff for September today. This list will not be emailed out and should not be copied – Please respect this request.

### **Teaching Assistant posts advert.**

We have three, all initially temporary for 1 year, posts for September 2019 for Teaching Assistants:

- 5 days a week in Key Stage Two as Classroom TA.
- 5 mornings a week until 12:50 and Friday afternoon in Key Stage Two as a mixture of 1-1 support and Classroom TA
- 3 days a week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 1 day in Key Stage One as 1-1 support, Two Days in Key Stage Two as Classroom TA.

Candidates must have experience of being a high quality teaching assistant, have a sound knowledge of the English Language including Grammar and Spellings and be confident in Maths. A sound understanding of safeguarding is also essential. If anyone would like to know more/apply for a position then please contact us at school for more details and an application form. Closing date 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

### **Internet safety and use of smart phones advice**

Please remember we have links for advice about internet and smart phone safety on our parent information page of our website:

[http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/safe\\_smartphone\\_use/171372](http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/safe_smartphone_use/171372)

If we could advise just one thing it would be to keep children's phones and tablets out of their bedrooms, especially at night, so their space is a safe space away from social media and messaging and so that they can have a good nights sleep!

### **Upcycling Plastic Free Totnes**

Upcycling Plastic Free Totnes would like to ask parents and children to start collecting plastic and metal bottle tops that they have found lying around or that they would be throwing away. If people could bring these into school there will be a collection bucket by reception. The tops will be used in an Upcycling Plastic Free Totnes Art Project which will hopefully also link in with The Grove Plastic Free School initiatives.

### **Public Health England**

Attached to this newsletter is a letter from Public Health England regarding Mumps.

### **PTA Cake Sale**

This week is the turn of Gauva and Mountain Ash to wow us with their sweet treats. Please can all donations be left with either your class or Rebecca at reception. Thank you to Acorn and Flame who baked for us before half term.

### **PTA Summer Fair donations**

We are busy planning for our Summer Fair on Friday 12th July from 5pm until 7pm. We will soon have boxes out to collect any tombola you can donate. We would love things like; wine, chocolate, smellies, new unwanted gifts etc. We will also be asking for your pre-loved teddies. Watch this space!

### **Help Needed**

We need about 20 more volunteers/helpers on the day in order to run the fair. We really appreciate your support as we cannot run these events without it. Please come and see Rebecca or email to offer.

### **Pick-a-pocket gifts**

The Summer Fair is only 5 weeks away. If you are creative and would like to make something small for the pick-a-pocket lucky dip we would be very grateful. Fiona Kendall in Beech Tree class would love your amazing creations. Thank you.

### **Raffle Prizes**

We are in need of raffle prizes. If you work for a company or own a company who could donate something, we would really appreciate anything you could offer. Thank you to those who have already donated.

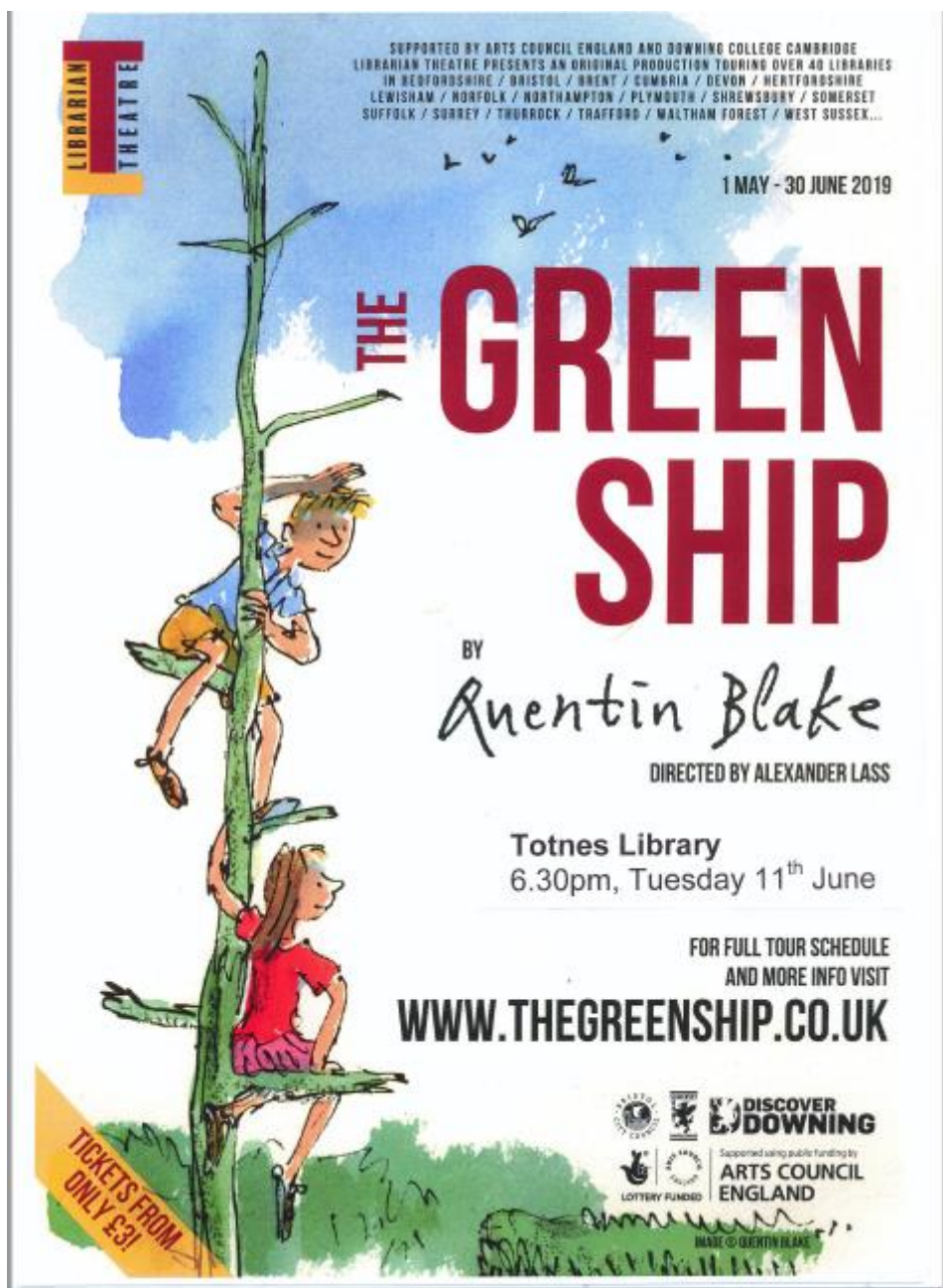
### **Praise Assemblies**

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



### Re Plastic Free School links:

Plastic Free Totnes have a stand at Totnes Alive [next Saturday \(8th June\)](#) where they will be showcasing what is being done locally, and how the community can get involved in the fight against single use plastics.

Here is the link to the community event on Saturday - <https://www.facebook.com/totnesalivefestival/>

On the day of the event, we are planning to start creating a mosaic out of used and found plastic bottle lids that will engage kids and raise awareness of the plastic issue.

Please come along and join the Plastic Free team to help make a fabulous piece of art work to showcase all the good Plastic Free stuff that is happening locally.