



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Covid update

From Tuesday this week all staff are being tested using the home testing lateral flow kits twice a week. This should be reassuring for you all that the staff in school are coming into school clear.

We still have staff off school so our staffing levels are not running at full capacity. It seems a slow recovery from coronavirus. I'm sure you'll join us in sending them get well soon messages.

Please remember that if anyone in your household is awaiting a test then the whole family should remain isolated at home until the test results come back, If your child is currently able to attend school then please do not send children into school whilst waiting for these or if anyone in the household has symptoms. If your child is not able to attend school you should stay out of the community.

Home learning help line phone calls

If you would like to talk through home learning, expectations and difficulties with a mind to finding practical solutions then Mrs Wilkinson and I are happy to give you a call back. Please email me at head@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk and one of us will get back to you as soon as we can.

Weekly fun task

The Big Garden Birdwatch

This was suggested by Bridget in Dove Tree Class – thanks – great idea.

You will need to go to this website where everything is explained and you can download a identifying birds sheet.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/>

Then you need to stand in your back garden or look out of your window and spot which birds you can see and how many are sitting or hopping around (not the ones that are flying). Then you can submit your results on the website and your information helps the specialists understand how birds are doing locally.

Good luck!

Young Artists' Summer Show

We have an exciting opportunity for all the keen artists we have in school. The Royal Academy of Arts have launched their Young Artists' Summer Show 2021. Submissions are now open until 26th April 2021, with judging in May. Online and onsite exhibitions will open on 11th July 2021. It is completely free to enter and submission is done online. Our school is registered with the RA and so parents/guardians can register online to create an account and then submit their child's artwork. Each child can submit up to 3 pieces of original artwork of any type and there is no theme. For more details about the show, terms and conditions and how to submit your artwork go to roy.ac/youngartists

Kind regards

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