



The Grove Primary School



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Our values are

RESPECT

TEAMWORK

RESILIENCE

HIGH
ASPIRATIONS

DIVERSITY

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the year. It has been great to see all of the children back in school in their smart uniforms and so eager to start on their learning.

Over the summer we have had extensive building work completed throughout the school, we now have beautiful new toilets for the junior children – they have been very keen to visit them on a regular basis. We have also had new toilets put in for the female staff members. You might also notice that there is a new carpet in the area between the two Year 1 classrooms and in Mrs Peace's room. This new carpet was also supposed to have been laid in the entrance halls and offices, however following a problem identified after they started taking up the old carpet we have had to postpone this until hopefully October half term. This means we now have an odd patch of carpet in the entrance hall and the floor has some uneven patches. Please be extra careful when walking through the entrance.

We welcome some new members of staff to the school also. Mrs Marwick has joined us and is teaching in Year 2 with Miss Taylor. Mrs Pownall has joined us part time and is job sharing with Mrs Byrne in Year 5. We also have two new LSA's, Mrs Durkin and Mrs Lawson. Following her marriage earlier this year Miss Deb is now using her married name and so is known as Mrs Sowter.

Physical Education and Outdoor Learning are essential parts of the curriculum at The Grove, so I urge all children to have their PE kits and water bottles in school every day and also to have waterproof coats and possibly welly boots to enable them to fully take part in every activity.

As a gentle reminder, we have several children who have severe allergies to different foods, these include nuts and mango. We are a nut free school and would request that you refrain from putting nut items or items containing mango in lunchboxes, this includes peanut butter, items such as Nutella and items like smoothies which often contain mango.

Club letters will be sent out as soon as possible and clubs should begin the week beginning 18th September (unless it states something different on the letter).

As a reminder we have Meet the teacher sessions next week on Monday and Thursday from 3.20 until 4.00pm. This is an opportunity for you to hear important information about each year group and class and another opportunity for you to meet with the classteacher and ask any questions.

Gillian West
Deputy Head Teacher

The Grove Teaching Staff for 2017/2018

Year Group	Classroom	Teacher
Reception	Windsor Buckingham	Mrs C Friend (Leader Yrs R / 1) Mrs W Darmanin
Year 1	St Andrew's St George's Phonics Leader	Miss H Norris Miss J Houghton Mrs M Peace (SENDCo / Leader of Inclusion)
Year 2	Francis Drake Walter Raleigh Third Team Teacher	Miss A Taylor (Leader Yrs 2 / 3) Mrs L Marwick Miss G West (Deputy Head Teacher / Leader of Assessment & Standards)
Year 3	Beatrix Potter Enid Blyton	Miss A Menzies Miss L Fradley
Year 4	Roald Dahl Lewis Carroll	Mrs N Brown Mrs R Sowter
Year 5	David Attenborough Bear Grylls	Mrs L Byrne / Mrs A Pownall Mr J Gillick
Year 6	Queen Elizabeth Queen Victoria Third Team Teacher	Miss J Lavrich Mrs J Tancock (Leader of Teaching & Learning / Leader Yrs 4 – 6) Mrs C Wilcox Mrs L Tregunna

We Need Your Support Please!!!

Year Group Helpers

All year groups need parent or grandparent helpers who are willing to read with children, help out with arts and crafts, spellings or a host of other fun activities. We promise we will not put you in your child's class! Whatever time you can offer will be of benefit to the learning of Grove pupils.

Parental Class Representatives

Please consider supporting your child's school next year. We would like to nominate at least one parental representative per year group. Please pass your name to your child's teacher or to the school office if you think you can help as a parental representative or helper.

Pupil Premium We need you!

Your child may be able to get **FREE School Milk, FREE School Meal AND** attract extra funding to their school (Pupil Premium) if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
 - Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
 - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on-paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
 - Universal Credit

All we need from you or your partner is your

Name, National Insurance Number and Permission

to use the Eligibility Checking Service at Surrey County Council. Your child does not need to know.

School funding reduces annually while many running costs increase. If your family is eligible for Pupil Premium, whichever year they're in, please support your school and let us know.

Thank You!

ENRICHMENT CALENDAR 2017-2018 – AUTUMN TERM

Monday 11 th September	Meet the teacher 3.20 pm – 4.00 pm
Thursday 14 th September	Meet the teacher 3.20 pm – 4.00 pm
Thursday 21 st September	FOG AGM Meeting 3.30pm
Monday 25 th September	Open Morning for prospective parents - 9.30 am
Wednesday 27th September	S4K Family Fun Day – details to follow
Friday 29 th September	Parent Forum 09.00 am / Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 6 th October	Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church (children only)
Week beginning 9 th October	English Theme Week
Tuesday 10 th October	Open Classroom 3.20 pm – 4.00 pm
Wednesday 11 th October	Samba Workshops for KS2
Thursday 12 th October	Parents' Evening 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Monday 16 th October	Parents' Evening 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Friday 20 th October	Open Morning for prospective parents - 9.30 am

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October – HALF TERM

Thursday 2 nd November	INSET – school closed to children
Saturday 4 th November	FOG Bonfire Night
Week Beginning 6 th November	Hindleap Warren Yr 6
Thursday 9 th November	Open Classroom 3.20 pm – 4.00 pm
Friday 10 th November	“Night at the Museum” Yr 5
Tuesday 14 th November	Open Afternoon for prospective parents - 1.30 pm
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Friday 24 th November	Parent Forum 9.00 am
Friday 1st December	Flu Vaccinations Year R, 1, 2, 3, 4 – more information to follow
Thursday 7 th December	Open Classroom 3.20 pm – 4.00 pm
Friday 8 th December	KS2 dress rehearsal in church – 1.45 pm
Monday 11 th December	KS2 performance at church – 10.00 am
Tuesday 12 th December	KS2 performance at church – 2.00 pm
Wednesday 13 th December	KS2 performance at church – 2.00 pm
Thursday 14 th December	Choir to the over 60's
Friday 15 th December	Pantomime in school
Monday 18 th December	Open Afternoon for prospective parents – 1.30 pm
Thursday 21 st December	Last Day of Term – finish at 1.30 pm

SPRING TERM

Thursday 4 th January	INSET – school closed to children
Friday 5 th January	INSET – school closed to children
Monday 8 th January	Term begins for children
Thursday 11 January	Teacher Briefings – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 12 th January	S4K Family Fun Day
Tuesday 16 th January	Teacher Briefings – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Monday 22 nd January	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 26 th January	Parent Forum – 09.00 am
Friday 2 nd February	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Thursday 1 st February	Parents' Evening – 3.30 pm to 6.30 pm
Week beginning 5 th February	“The Grove Apprentice” Business and Maths Theme
Tuesday 6 th February	Parents' Evening – 3.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February – HALF TERM	
Saturday 24 th February	S4K Pond Clearing
Tuesday 27th February	Parents' Evening – 3.30 pm to 6.30 pm
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day (TBC)
Friday 9 th March	Mothers' Day Assembly Year 4 / 5 / 6 09:00 a.m. EYFS/Year 1 9:45 a.m. Year 2 – 3 10:45 a.m.
Friday 16 th March	Parent Forum 09.00 am
Week Beginning 19 th March	Art theme week
Tuesday 20 th March	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 23 rd March	Sport Relief
Thursday 29 th March	Last Day of Term – Finish at 1.30 pm

SUMMER TERM

Monday 16 th April	Term Begins 08.45 am
Thursday 19 th April	Teacher Briefings – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Tuesday 24 th April	Teacher Briefings – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 27 th April	S4K Family Fun Day
Wednesday 2 nd May	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 4 th May	Parent Forum – 09.00 am
Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Week Beginning 14 th May	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 17 th May	Parents' Evening – 3.30 pm to 6.30 pm
Tuesday 22 nd May	Parents' Evening – 3.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June – HALF TERM

Week Beginning 4 th June	Science Week
Thursday 7 th June	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Friday 8 th June	ECO Dazzle Day
Week beginning 11 th June	Phonics Skills Check – Year 1
Friday 15 th June	Fathers' Day Assembly – Year 4 / 5 / 6 09:00 a.m. EYFS/Year 1 9:45 a.m. Year 2 – 3 10:45 a.m.
Tuesday 19 th June	Sports Day EYFS/KS1
Thursday 21 st June	Contingency Sports Day EYFS/KS1
Friday 22 nd June	Parent Forum – 09.00 am
Monday 25 th June	Sports DAY KS2
Wednesday 27 th June	Contingency Sports Day KS2
Wednesday 4 th July	Induction Day
Thursday 5 th July	Transition Meeting Year 2 to Year 3 – 3.20 pm
Friday 6 th July	Transition Meeting Year EYFS to Year 1 – 3.20 pm
Monday 9 th July	Open Classroom – 3.20 pm to 4.00 pm
Tuesday 10 th July	Transition Meeting Year 1 to Year 2 – 3.20 pm
Wednesday 11 th July	Transition Meeting Year 3 to Year 4 – 3.20 pm
Thursday 12 th July	Transition Meeting Year 4 to Year 5 – 3.20 pm
Friday 13 th July	Transition Meeting Year 5 to Year 6 – 3.20 pm
Friday 20 th July	Last Day of Term – Finish at 1.30 pm
Monday 23 rd July	INSET – School Closed to children