

The Grove Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year.

I am pleased to say that I received the draft copy of our OFSTED report this week and I hope that it will be ready to be published by OFSTED in the next copy of weeks. I am looking forward to being able to share our successes with you as well as our plans to continue to move forward.

This week we have seen some of our older children take part in a Cricket Competition as well as an Athletics Meet. Thanks to Mr Tinkler and Mr Kingsford for accompanying the children. Everyone has had a great time and we saw some lovely successes there too. It is so pleasing so see these competitions back running again.

In readiness for our transition morning on the 14th July, we are in the process of sorting out the classes for next academic year. We continue to have very odd numbers, particularly at Key Stage 2. This is a historic issue from the period where we moved to a two-form entry (60 intake) school, but these numbers never materialised. In September, we are expecting to have the following numbers in each year group:

	2022/23
Reception	30
Year 1	30
Year 2	30
Year 3	35
Year 4	39
Year 5	30
Year 6	38
Total	232

This means that we will need to continue to have mixed age classes for the next few years. My focus is to keep class sizes as small as I can, so next year we will have the following structure:

2022/23	
Reception (Gosling)	30
Year 1 (Wren)	30
Year 2 (Flamingo)	30
Year 3 (Ostrich)	29
Y3/4 (Kookaburra)	30
Y4/5 (Kingfisher)	27
Y5/6 (Toucan)	28
Y6 (Hummingbird)	28
TOTAL	232

Mixed age classes will be based on friendship groups in the first instance, in the same way as they have for the last two academic years. After that we aim to ensure that we have a good mix of genders and attainment. Having a mixed class does not affect the way a class is taught, as the teacher takes a learning objective and then teaches the content that those children in that class need. This is exactly the same as when teaching a single year group class.

Children will find out who their class teacher is, and which class they are in, on Thursday 14th July 2022.

Miss Shaw



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Attendance



Class Name	% attendance from Tuesday 7 th June – Friday 10 th June
The Aviary	64%
Gosling	95%
Wren	96%
Ostrich	96%
Kookaburra	97%
Flamingo	97%
Woodpecker	94%
Toucan	95%
Hummingbird	99%
Whole School	95%



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Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Friday 10th June

Toucan: To be announced next week

Hummingbird: To be announced next week

Woodpecker: Sahír, Saí

Flamingo: Harshan, Jonathan

Kookaburra: Ruby, Devraj

Ostrich: Sannidhi, Sophie

Wren: Arthur, Meg

Gosling: Rickardas, George

Aviary: Faiza, Zach