

Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear children and families,

Thank you for everything you are achieving with your children at home. The number of children accessing the learning online is significantly higher than it was back in June and we really appreciate everyone's commitment to continuing learning at home. We are meeting the Government's expectation around the number of hours but please do all that you can at home. We understand completely that this is a juggling act and all we ask is that your child does as much as they possibly can. If you have any problems logging in or accessing anything, please contact your child's teacher at classname@grove.cambs.sch.uk and we will do our best to help you out. Mr Cumberland is preparing some tips for using your Play Station, X Box and televisions to help as well.

Admissions to Addenbrooks are still very high and they continue to be under significant pressure. As a reminder for us all, here at the Government's lockdown expectations.

You <u>must</u> stay at home. The single most important action we can all take is to stay at home to protect the NHS and save lives.

You should follow this guidance immediately. This is <u>the law</u> Leaving home

You must not leave, or be outside of your home except where necessary. You may leave the home to:

- shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you <u>cannot</u> reasonably do so from home
- exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person, this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.
- meet your <u>support bubble</u> or <u>childcare bubble</u> where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one
- seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse)
- attend education or childcare for those eligible

Sadly, I have had several upset parents contact me this week as they have seen children out playing in groups. Please keep to the rules – we all need to follow them despite how hard this might be. We should all be at home where possible, even if we are Critical Workers, children of Critical Workers or vulnerable children. The stricter we are with ourselves and our families now, the sooner the Government can ask us to reopen, for example as the infection and hospital admission rates start to drop.

From next week, I shall be including photos in my newsletter. We will take photos in school but please also post any you have of the learning at home on TEAMs or email them to your class teacher.

Many of the children in Year 1 will remember Miss Holland who taught Duckling Class last year. I am thrilled to be able to tell you that she will be returning to school full time after the ½ term break and she will be joining the Reception/Year 1 team. She will be in to meet the children we have in school on Monday 25th January for the week.

We also have Miss Rutter joining us in Reception/Year 1 too. She is a trainee teacher from the University of Cambridge. She will be completing the first part of her placement remotely so the children will see a new face in some of their online videos.

Stay safe,

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Rosettes this week have been presented to (if you are at home, your will come in the post soon!):

Kestrel: Briyana, Anastasía

Eagle: Kai, Francesca

Kingfisher: Riley-Jay, Adria

Woodpecker: Hallie-Lyn, Nico

Kíwí: Theo, Emílía

Ostrich: Gracie-May, Sophie

Flamingo: Valentine, Devraj

Wren: Izzy, Alessandro

Gosling: Mustafa, Kyra

Duckling: Alan, Polly-Anna

The Aviary: Max, Braden