



The Grove Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

What an amazing couple of weeks we have had. This might sound strange, but I was glad to take the call from OFSTED last Monday and for the inspection to have taken place the following two days. We have been waiting for the call (between 9.30 and 2pm on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday), since the start of the term. I was grateful they didn't phone any later in the term.

I am unable to say much more until we have the report through. It should be published 30 school days after the inspection. The two days with the OFSTED team were very busy, but the inspectors were superb and really got to know our school. I am very proud of each and every person here. As always, there are some areas for improvement but they are very much things that we already had on our school improvement agenda.

This week couldn't have been more different! Last Friday we had our Decoration Day, and staff then hung up the decorations during the afternoon. Over the weekend, Mr and Mrs Kingsford put up our Christmas trees. School looks so sparkly - and rather glittery! The trip to the pantomime on Monday was also a lovely way to start our week. 234 pupils and 50+ adults! The staff at the theatre commented on how polite all our children were - they were really impressed.

Gosling, Wren and Flamingo Classes have been very busy rehearsing for their production next week. There are two performances - next Tuesday at 9.30am and 2pm and I hope to see you all there. You should have received further information in a separate email.

We also have our Christmas Lunch next Thursday. If your child would like to wear a Christmas jumper to school, then that would be lovely. You should also have received an email about a food collection we are organising for the local Food Bank. They support so many of our families throughout the year, but ever more so at Christmas. Please give what you can - if you can. Any contributions should be brought into school on Thursday please.

Finally, we will be saying goodbye to Mr Evans at the end of this term. He is moving on to a new post at Queen Emma Primary School in January. I would like to take a moment to thank him for all of his work and support for Kookaburra Class over the last 4 terms and to wish him the very best in his future career.

It has taken a little while to find someone to come and join our teaching team but I am pleased to say that Mrs Angela Woodruffe will be joining Kookaburra Class in January. She will be in next Wednesday to spend some more time with the class. She is a very experienced class teacher who will be a great addition to our amazing team.

Mrs Rowe



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Attendance



Class Name	% attendance from Monday 4th – Friday 8 th December
Gosling	86%
Wren	96%
Flamingo	87%
Ostrich	92%
Kookaburra	82%
Kingfisher	94%
Toucan	90%
Hummingbird	89%
Whole School	90%



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Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Friday 8th December

Hummingbird: Kaine, Sai
Toucan: George, Yunus
Kingfisher: Darina, Damian
Kookaburra: Harshan, Sienna
Ostrich: Kyra, Hamish
Flamingo: Halima, Nusrat
Wren: Ayudia, Stephen
Gosling: Melody, Elijah
Nursery: Emma

Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Friday 1st December

Hummingbird: Musa, Riley
Toucan: Alishah, Devraj
Kingfisher: Albie, Jheneah
Kookaburra: Kylan, Robynn
Ostrich: Finley, Meg
Flamingo: Noah, Pheobe
Wren: Anas, Charlie
Gosling: Arya, Iris
Nursery: Nahzan

Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Friday 24th November

Hummingbird: Emily, Naina
Toucan: Alishah, Omar
Kingfisher: Damian, George
Kookaburra: Aymen, Mehreen
Ostrich: Duru, Gabriel
Flamingo: Skaiste, Ayaz
Wren: Frankie, Priya
Gosling: Youssef, Emily
Nursery: Neveah