

Dear parents and carers,

Another week flies by the in world of The Grove. I have been so impressed with the continued amazing start to the term with everyone looking smart in their school uniform and having superb attitudes to their learning. I am sure this is going to be our best year yet.

It was lovely to see so many of our parents from Gosling Class at our New to School meeting this week. Thank you for taking the time to come in and meet us and I hope that you found the meeting useful.

As of Thursday, this week, we have tweaked the end of the day for pupils in Years 4,5 and 6. We will no longer be "handing" pupils over to their parents at the end of the school day in these year groups. This is about providing those pupils a little more independence and responsibility and is how the majority of other schools' work at the end of the school day. Please let your child know where you will be meeting them - if you are not there, we have told the pupils to come back to their class teacher who will be outside until 3.25. If you wish your child to walk home, please inform the school office.

Our website now has our new curriculum plans up for each year group and next week you will be receiving a more in depth curriculum letter from your child's class teacher.

Take care,

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Mrs Rowe

PE Days this half term

Gosling – Monday Wren – Thursday Flamingo – Tuesday Ostrich – Wednesday Kingfisher – Wednesday Kookaburra – Friday Toucan – Friday Hummingbird – Swimming – First session <u>Tuesday 12th</u>, all following sessions on <u>Monday afternoons</u> (please note this is a change from the letter sent out earlier this week).

A reminder that PE consists of blue/black shorts or joggers, and a T-shirt in your child's house colour (available via the School Gateway App). The Golden Trainer award will be given each week to the class with the most children wearing correct PE Kit on their class PE day!



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Dates for your diary

W/c 18 th September	Reception Baseline Checks
Tuesday 19 th September	Nursery and EYFS 'Talk like a Pirate Day' – fancy dress optional
Wednesday 27 th Sept	Flu Vaccinations in school (please look out for further information)
Wednesday 11 th October	Parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
Thursday 19 th October	Parent/carer meetings (from 4.30pm)
W/c 16 th October	Healthy Living Week
Friday 20 th October	School closes at 3.15 for the ½ term break
Monday 30 th October	INSET Day (Staff only)
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1/EYFS nativity (9.30am and 3.30pm - TBC)
Thursday 2 nd November	Next Bags2School collection starts
Wednesday 13 th December	Nursery singalong at The Good Shepherd
Thursday 21 st December at 2.00	School closes for the Christmas Break at 2pm (Orchard closes at 4pm)
Friday 5 th January 2024	School reopens to all pupils

Reminder – Primary School Place Applications for September 2024

If your child is 4 before 31 August 2024, then they are due to start reception next September.

You can apply for their school place now! Support is available from our Nursery manager with application form - by appointment only – please contact the Nursery directly to arrange a time.

Please be reminded that **being at the Grove Nursery does not guarantee a reception place at the Grove Primary <u>school</u>**. Nursery control their own admissions whereas school places are allocated by the local authority, and you will need to follow the correct application process.





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Attendance



Class Name	% attendance from Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th September
Gosling	95%
Wren	90%
Flamingo	96%
Ostrich	95%
Kookaburra	93%
Kingfisher	93%
Toucan	98%
Hummingbird	95%
Whole School	95%



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Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Fríday 15th September

Hummingbird: Poppy, Sahir

Toucan: Aíden, Elena

Kingfisher: Tommy, Haneea

Kookaburra: Rocco, Romí

Ostrich: Martha, Theo

Flamíngo: Nathan, Nahad

Wren: Zeífa, Annamaría

Gosling: Maisie, Jiayi