



# The Grove Primary School

## Newsletter

8th June 2018



*Wonder—Explore—Grow*

**Value for the Half Term - Honesty**  
**“No legacy is so rich as honesty”**

*William Shakespeare*

### Diary Dates

#### June

9th—Arbury Carnival

15th—Father’s Day Lunch

#### July

5th— KS1 Sports Day am

5th—Y6 Puppet Evening

Performance (evening)

6th—PTFA Disco

12th—KS2 Sports Day am

13th—Annual Reports sent home

23rd - Attendance Celebration am

24th - Leaver’s Assembly am

***Please visit the website for  
the school annual diary***

### Attachments

Arbury Carnival

Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely May break and welcome back to the final half term of this academic year. There is a lot happening throughout the term so please do check the school website for dates and make a note of key ones included in this newsletter.

Last half term Year 2 and 6 completed their statutory tests (SATs). The children worked diligently and really applied themselves. A big well done from us all. Next week Year 1 will be completing the statutory Phonics Screening Test and I am sure they will all work just as hard.

This half term is always a period of transition as we celebrate all that has been achieved by your children as a result of all their hard work. We also like to review the year to help us prioritise for next year and beyond. We do this in a number of ways including the annual parent survey, this will be live from 18th June to 9th July. Details of how to access this will follow separately.

Change is a key part of this term and there will be changes for everyone— children moving year group or even school and meeting new teachers. I know from conversations I have had that many of you are already keen to know the details of the teaching structure for September 2018. This will be shared with you in the July newsletter. Children will find out who their class teacher will be during the week beginning 9th July and there will then be a transition afternoon the following week.

Finally a quick reminder to ensure your children come to school in uniform and prepared for warm weather and showers. A NAMED sun hat, water bottle and showerproof jacket is always useful.

Kind regards  
Ms Karen Martin  
Headteacher



**KS1 Thursday 5th July at 9.30am**

**KS2 Thursday 12th July at 9.30am**

**If possible, please could children wear a plain t-shirt in  
their house colour.**

## Arbury Carnival—This Saturday

The children, staff and parents have been busy this week creating costumes for everyone to wear on the parade. A big thank you to Kettle's Yard who once again have been in school supporting us with this project. Year 5 children have been working extremely hard and with fabulous enthusiasm, on some costumes linked both to their recent work on the problem of Ghost Nets in the Pacific Ocean and this year's carnival theme of The Blue Planet.

A number of Year 5 pupils will also be performing The Rime of the Ancient Mariner alongside NCA Year 7 pupils in the arena at approximately 2pm. Please come and encourage them.



The procession will begin on Armitage Way and proceed to the arena on Campkin Road. We at The Grove are always proud to be part of the procession and last year more children and parents participated than ever before. We would like to beat that record this year and the children are so excited and want to dazzle you all with their sparkles and creative talents.

**We will meet on Armitage Way on Saturday at 11.30am in time for the procession at 12pm**

## The Young Uns

Yesterday we were lucky to have the BBC Folk Award winning band [The Young'uns](#) provide our pupils with musical workshops. In the workshops the children created their own Peasant Revolt Rap. We will soon be able to share this on our website. The day ended with a whole school assembly.



"Teesside's triumphant trio The Young'uns...have proved themselves a unique proposition - writing and performing a cappella or subtly accompanied songs that tell it how it is alongside traditional songs from their native North-East and further afield - songs of conscience, songs of warmth and wit, songs to provoke, songs to inspire".

Sean, Michael and David specialise in singing unaccompanied, and they perform traditional shanties and contemporary songs conveying stories of such as The Peasants Revolt and the origins of Marks and Spencer with the Hartlepool Pedlar!

## Term Dates 2018—2019

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
4th Sept—INSET 5th Sept—19th Oct	3rd & 4th Jan—INSET 7th Jan—15th Feb	23rd Apr—24th May
Half Term		
29th Oct—INSET 30th Oct—19th Dec	25th Feb—5th Apr	3rd Jun—INSET 4th Jun—24th July