



The Grove Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

I would like to start by thanking you for your ongoing support. We have had a superb response to our parent survey. I will write in the New Year with the results of this, as well as what we plan to do to further improve our school in response to the comments made.

Sadly, Covid-19 infection rates locally remain very high. We will continue with our current mitigations in January. These are:

- Ventilation
- Cleaning regularly and 'fogging' classrooms and other areas as required
- Hand hygiene
- Reducing staff movement between classes, as well as staff socially distancing from each other
- Sending home symptomatic children and requesting parents to take the child for a PCR at a test centre

I am attending a Cambridgeshire / Peterborough head teachers' briefing on 3rd January. If there are any government updates that have a significant impact on the way we can operate, then I will let you know as quickly as I can. I am ever hopeful that we will see everyone back in school as planned on 5th January.

The last week of term has been great fun as always, with a Christmas theme! Christmas lunch was a huge success – our thanks go to Laura, Dawn and Sue for preparing the food!

That just leaves me to wish you all a lovely holiday, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from us all at the Grove.

Miss Shaw

School Nativity Play

Well done and thank you to the staff and children who worked hard to write, rehearse, perform, produce and edit this year's online Nativity Play! Thank you also to all the parents who sent in wonderful costumes for their children.

Here is the link to the play on the school's private YouTube channel. Please remember that this link is for parents / carers only and should not be shared with anyone outside of our school community.

We hope you enjoy watching it!

<https://youtu.be/GVc6ehXgCH8>

Clubs

We are thrilled to be starting up our extra-curricular clubs again in January. The following clubs will be running, and you can sign up via Pay360 from 20:00 this evening, 17th December:

Monday – Dance (Years 2 and 3)

Tuesday – Volleyball (Years 4-6)

Wednesday – Hockey (Years 4-6)

Wednesday – Yoga (Years 1 and 2)

Thursday – Speed Stacking (Years 3-6)

All clubs will begin in the w/c 10th January and run for 10 weeks (excluding half term). They will start straight after school and finish at 16:15. Collection will be from the Community Entrance. There is no charge for any of these clubs.

Spaces are limited and given on a first come first served basis. If spaces fill up, we will operate a waiting list system – please email the school office to be added to this list if clubs become full.

We also hope to run a choir on a Wednesday for Key Stage 2 children – more details about this will be available in the New Year.

Reminder – Smoke Free Site

Just a reminder please that we are an entirely smoke-free site.

Smoking / vaping are not allowed anywhere on the school premises or playground.

Thank you for your understanding.





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Rosettes at achievement assembly were presented to:

Friday 17th December

Toucan: Eduard, Joseph

Hummingbird: Austin, Nicole

Woodpecker: Ozodbek, Sai

Flamingo: Alisha, Abdullah

Kookaburra: George, Lia

Ostrich: Benjamin, Ana

Wren: Kyra, Charlie

Gosling: Ugne, Michael

Aviary: Max, Jake