



# The Grove Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

It has been another busy week at school, as we have had our Reading Week. The children have been busy sharing a whole range of different books as the week has gone on. Miss Owen has also been reading stories in the library as part of our official reopening of the area. We took the library apart during 2020/21 and it has taken quite a time to put it all back together. We couldn't have done it without the support of some of our parents who have come in to work with Miss Owen – a huge thank you to them for volunteering to help us sort everything out and for agreeing to continue to help us run our library.

We are also taking part in a Reading Project, which is happening across the majority of primary schools in the CB4 area. Miss Owen has been instrumental in getting this off the ground again this year. Not only have the children had a zoom visit from an author but each class has also been given a set of new books to read. They have all been challenged to read as many of these books as they can by the end of the academic year.

With the relaxation of the Covid19 rules, we are thrilled to be able to plan an open afternoon and to invite you all to come into school between 2pm and 3pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. This will be an opportunity to see your child's classroom as well as their learning. Our Head and Deputy Pupils will be around to help guide you towards your child's classroom. Once you have had a look around the classroom, and seen your child's learning, then you will be free to leave with your child/ren. Please let your child's teacher know that you are leaving with your child. If you have more than one child in school – decide which classroom you would like to start in and then make your way around school to all the classrooms that you need to.

If your child has lessons with Rocksteady, we will like to invite you in for a concert on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm. Please can you let the office know if you wish to attend so we know how many chairs we will need.

I am feeling very excited as, for the first time as Head at The Grove, I will be leading my first whole school assembly with all the children in the hall on Monday. It is so lovely to think that we can have our school together as a community in our hall – the first time in 2 years.

Have a good weekend,

Miss Shaw

## **Message from the Y6 Fundraising Committee.**

Dear parents and children,

Here are the plans for Red Nose Day 2022.

- 1) From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March we will be selling official Red Nose Day noses. They cost £1.50. If your child wants one, please can they bring in £1.50 in a named envelope. They need to take their money to their class teacher and we will come round with the noses during the day. We only have 80 to sell so it will be first come first served. Children can only buy one nose to start with.
- 2) On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March, the snack shop will be selling red food.
- 3) On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March we will be selling packets of sweets for 30p on the playground.

Thank you for your support.

The Y6 Fundraising Committee.



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## E-Safety

### **What Parents Need to Know about WhatsApp**

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A free online safety guide on WhatsApp.

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as scams, strangers and location sharing.

Please see the link below to get your free guide.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/whatsapp-2022>

## **PTFA Easter Treasure Trail / Drawing Competition**

Over the Easter Holidays, the PTFA will be running a 'Treasure Trail'. Shortly before the start of the holiday, you will be able to purchase a Trail Map, showing ten locations around Arbury / King's Hedges. Over the Easter break, you need to find the poster located at each of the places marked on the map and write down the letter shown on each.

All correct answers returned to school after the Easter Holiday will receive a small prize.

The PTFA are also **running a drawing completion to select ten designs for the posters**. An entry for is attached with this newsletter and your child may also have brought a paper copy home last week. **Entries need to be returned to the school office by Friday 11th March.**

The PTFA look forward to seeing some fantastic designs!





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## Attendance



Class Name	% attendance from Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
The Aviary	71%
Gosling	97%
Wren	96%
Ostrich	96%
Kookaburra	98%
Flamingo	93%
Woodpecker	95%
Toucan	86%
Hummingbird	91%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>93%</b>



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Rosettes at achievement assembly have been presented to:

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Toucan: Braden, Kye

Hummingbird: Tyler, Síndid

Woodpecker: Joshua, Sahir

Flamingo: Nour, Alice

Kookaburra: Charlie, Ruby

Ostrich: Sophie, Ayyub

Wren: Theo, Yuan-Yuan

Gosling: Leela, Saul

Aviary: Rico, Finley