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20th July 2022 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot believe that we are at this point of the year again but this time it feels as if we are a little bit closer to what we remember what was normal before the pandemic. It has been wonderful to welcome parents and family members back into school.

I am extremely privileged to work with some very hard- working, dedicated and extremely talented staff and children. Thank you, on behalf of myself and staff, for the kind words and generous gifts that we have received this week.

I wish all of our families, staff and governors a very restful holiday.

Bernadette

Goodbye Good luck and Thank you

We say goodbye to our Office Manager, Julie Walford, who has been here for 15 years. Julie is retiring but I have a feeling that she won't be a stranger! We wish you a long and happy retirement Julie; make sure that you make the most of all those extra holidays during term time!

We also say goodbye and good luck to Louise Gibson- our Early Years Lead. Louise has been at The Grove Primary School for 8 years and moves on to her new role as Reception teacher in September at Newcastle High School for Girls. We wish you the best of luck Louise!

Lisa Gibson will leave us today too and has been with us as a Lunchtime Supervisor. We wish you all the best in all that you do Lisa from all the staff and children too.

Some of our Nursery children will leave us to join other local primary schools but the majority will stay with us and become our new Reception children in September. We say goodbye to those leaving our Nursery and their families too and wish them every success at their new schools.

We also say goodbye to our very talented Year 6 children who have been a joy to have with us. You are a credit to your parents and The Grove Primary School. I wish you every success at your new secondary schools. Remember to work hard and do your best and you will go far!

We also have a marriage happening during the holidays and wish Sally and Craig every happiness and hope that they both enjoy their special day when they get married at the end of July.

Charity Work 2022-23

Next academic year we have decided to raise money for Willowburn Hospice and Macmillan charities as they have supported families within our school community to support them through diagnosis, care and bereavement too. Our first event will be a Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 30th September (we will have more information in our first September newsletter).

Arrival and dismissal times for September 2022

Class	Entrance point	Entrance time	Dismissal time
Nursery (am) Nursery (pm) Nursery (30 hours)	Entrance via the Early Years' Garden ramp	8.30am (register closes at 8.35am) 12.00pm 8.30am	11.30am 3.00pm 3.00pm
Reception	Entrance through Reception door	Those families with siblings, in Nursery, at 8.30am	3pm via the school playground.
Year 1	Year 1 and Year 2 door.		
Year 2	Through playground and to school via white hall doors.	Those families with siblings- in Reception to Year 6 at 8.35am. Individual children with no siblings at 8.40am. Registers will close for Reception to Year 6 promptly at 8.50am	
Year 3			
Year 4			
Year 5			
Year 6			

Tapestry

Please continue to add any adventures and experiences over the summer holidays as it would be great to see what all of our families get up to! Please remember that Tapestry will be our main way of communicating with parents from September.

Change of details

Please let us know if your details change ie change of address or phone number via email during the school holidays (please see the email address below).

Contact during the school holidays

If you need to contact school during the holidays, the school email will be checked each Monday and Friday morning. Our email address is enquiries@thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk

Dial 101

Please remember that you can ring 101 to report any incidents during the holidays. Thank you.

Swimming from September

Year 6 children will go swimming after the holidays. These sessions will begin on Monday 7th September.

We will continue to swim with Swim Excellence and remind parents that it is a compulsory subject- children must attend their sessions.

Please remember that the school will reopen after the school holidays on Monday 5th September 2022 (Breakfast Club and After School Club will return on Monday 5th September). We would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy holiday!