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26th May 2023 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a long but productive half-term! We hope that you have enjoyed seeing and hearing all about your child(ren)'s learning experiences when you have been invited into school and via Tapestry. We hope that all of our families, staff and Governors enjoy a well-deserved break after all of their endeavours. We also hope that our families continue to share their holiday experiences, with us, via Tapestry too.

School will re-open on Tuesday 6th June after the half term holidays.

Nursery Places

Our Nursery places for next academic year are beginning to fill up. If your child turns three in the coming year, please see our Nursery page (<https://www.thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk/our-classes/nursery/>) to access an admission form. This can be returned to nurseryadmissions@thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk

E- Safety Questionnaire

Thank you to those parents who have completed the questionnaire so far. We are overwhelmed by the response and your answers will support us in improving our E-Safety curriculum.

Clubs after half-term

If your child currently attends Tuesday Games, Wednesday Tennis and Thursday Running Club then these will continue as normal- after half term. Those children attending Cool Club will be split into two groups on a Tuesday after school. Instead of Forest School, Jillian, will run an Eco Club (information sent via Tapestry) for Key Stage 2 children (16 places). Instead of Boxercise, Fiona and Joanna, will run a Football Club (information sent via Tapestry) for Key Stage 2 children (16 places).

Website

All information about your child's year group can be found on your child's class page on our website <https://www.thegroveprimaryschool.co.uk/our-classes/> Please look out for any new information after half-term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Walking to/from School

We have had some parents contact us to let us know that children have been making unsafe choices when they have been walking to/from school. If your child walks independently to and from school, please remind them of the dangers of the roads. We have spoken to all classes about this too.

Summer Uniform

Now that the weather is improving, we wanted to remind parents that the Swap Shop has many summer dresses and summer shorts available to keep costs down for families. We would ask that cycling shorts are only worn under summer dresses for those children who like to swing and climb on the outdoor equipment.

We would also ask that all uniform (including summer hats) have the child's name inside please! Thank you!

Year 2 SATs

Well done to our Year 2 children who worked hard, persevered and completed their KS1 SATS this week!

Attendance for the week beginning 22nd May 2023

	<u>Class</u>	<u>%</u>	Our target for all classes is 96%
1 st Place	Reception	99.2%	
2 nd Place	Year 1	96.2%	
3 rd Place	Year 2	95.2%	
4 th Place	Year 6	94.8%	
5 th Place	Year 4	94.6%	
6 th Place	Nursery	90.7%	
7 th Place	Year 3	90.4%	
8 th Place	Year 5	90%	

Leave of Absence requests

We are seeing an increase in the number of Leave of Absence requests. A Leave of Absence can only be granted in exceptional circumstances. A family holiday is not considered exceptional circumstances.

From Page 12- 13 of our Attendance Policy (please see [here](#))

Can I take my child on holiday during term time?

Parents should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid requesting leaves of absence for holidays unless it is unavoidable. As leave of absence is only granted in exceptional circumstances, it is unlikely that your child's headteacher will agree a leave of absence for a family holiday. If permission is refused and you keep your child off school on the days requested, you are likely to be committing an offence and be issued a fixed penalty notice or be prosecuted by your local authority.

Leader Boards- Well done to all of our winners!

Year 1/2/3 Numbots Leader board This Week		
Rank	Name	Year Group
1	Eden C	Year 2
2	Julia S	Year 2
3	Isaac G	Year 2
4	Seth MH	Year 2
5	Jaxon T	Year 2

Y4/5/6 Numbots Leader board This Week		
Rank	Name	Year Group
1	Alfie M	Year 5
2	Tommy M	Year 5
3	Freddy R	Year 5
4	Tyler B	Year 4
5	Willow C	Year 5

Times Tables Rockstars Leader board This Week		
Rank	Name	Year Group
1	Freddy R	Year 5
2	Ewan A	Year 5
3	Courtney-Ann F	Year 4
4	Oscar M	Year 4
5	Daisy S	Year 3

Numbots and TTRS

Many of our older children are confident with their multiplication through using TTRS. Older children have access to Numbots which will help them with their fluency and quick maths facts. All children on the leader boards are awarded money for their chart- well done!