



# Grove Road Community Primary School

18<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## Weekly Update

Welcome to our final weekly update of the Autumn term we hope you find the information useful.

### **Key dates and upcoming events**

Please make a note of the key dates and upcoming events in the school.

### **Carols under the Tree**

Thank you to all that supported 'Carols under the Tree' last Thursday. The event was a great success.

A special thank you to FOGR for your tireless work in organizing the event and Mr. Morland and the choir for a fantastically festive performance.

### **No Toys**

Please do not allow your child to bring items from home to school. The exception is if a sensory aid has already been agreed with the class teacher. We appreciate your cooperation.

### **Primary School Applications**

If your child is due to start primary school in September 2026 the application portal opened on the 12<sup>th</sup> October, the closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. Applications can be made online at: [www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions)

### Upcoming Events

School reopens Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>  
January

Passionate  
Resilient  
Intrepid  
Dependable  
Empathetic

PRIDE

## **Celebrating Autumn at Grove Road**

We have had a brilliant term! Here are a few highlights from our weeks together.

### **KS1 Nativity**

The KS1 children did an amazing job of performing 'Everyone loves a Baby'. We were very proud of all their hard work and loved sharing the performance with everyone!

### **KS1-Abbey House trip**

KS1 went to Abbey House Museum to learn all about toys in past. There were lots of fun activities and a great time was had by all.

### **Reception/KS1 Christmas Parties**

The children have really enjoyed their Christmas parties. There were lots of games, party food, dancing, all topped off with a visit from Mrs Claus.

### **Pantomime**

All the children thoroughly enjoyed the Dick Whittington pantomime. Oh no they didn't, oh yes, they did! It was a fun way to end the term.

### **Y3/4 Football**

An intrepid group of Year 3s and 4s braved the arctic conditions to take part in an inter school football festival. Children were incredible winning two of their matches, drawing two and losing one. We were super proud of them and they came third in the tournament.

### **Shadow Puppet Theatre**

In Year 3 and 4 we have been working hard on our Science unit 'Light and Shadows'. After learning all about how shadows are made, we finished our unit off by making Shadow Puppet Theatres and puppets. We then put on some fabulous shows for our classmates.



### **Tower of Talent**

A huge well done to all our finalists who took part in the talent show. You were all amazing and should be so proud of yourselves.

Congratulation to Benny who came in third place, Genevieve in second place and our winner Ruby.

### **Water bottles**

We are still seeing instances of children not bringing in suitable water bottles and also containing juice. We have had a large number of spillages from bottles without a sports cap on which is a safety risk for everyone in school. A polite reminder that children should be bringing sports water bottles and water only. These should be no larger than 500ml.



### **Attendance**

Please see below the attendance totals for each class- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Alborough	76.2%
Jeffers	89.4%
Bright	91.4%
Hendra	98.3%
Gray	96.4%
Pilkey	98.8%
Percival	96.5%
Morpurgo	98.4%
Taylor	92.2%
Reynolds	92.3%
Earl	86.3%

Thank you for all your support this term. Grove Road would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year.

Warm Regards,

Richard Walker

Headteacher