



Friday 16th October 2020

The Grove Valer

School Librarians

Congratulations to our new school librarians! They are:

Amreen 6C
Olivia 6C
Amaris 5MJ
Kathryn 5MJ
Alisha 6H
Avani 6H
Savannah 6H
Evan 6C
Guranoop 6C
Amanpreet 6C

They all received a badge in our virtual assembly on Monday!
Since appointing 10 new librarians, we have also spent a lot of money on lots of new books. These include books for the children to take home, books for classroom book areas, and books for the library. Therefore, if any books are lost or damaged, there will be a £5 replacement fee.

Year 3 Timezone

A letter was sent out last month detailing Timezone's visit to Year 3 on 21st October. On the day, children will be immersed in the life and culture of the Romans. We are asking that year 3 parents contribute £6.25 towards the cost of the visit. As of today, we have still not had many payments. Please be aware that if we do not receive sufficient payments then the visit may not go ahead, and your child will miss out on a valuable learning experience. To make a payment, please go onto ParentPay.



Applying for reception and secondary school places.

The deadline for applying for secondary school places is 31st October 2020. The deadline for applications for a reception place is 15th January 2021. Please click on the link to apply for a place:

https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200303/school_admissions/349/apply_for_a_school_place

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2020:

Training Day: Fri 23rd Oct
Half Term: Mon 26th Oct-Fri 30th Oct.

Term Ends: Fri 18th Dec

Spring Term 2021

School Starts: Mon 4th Jan
Training Day: Fri 12th Feb
Half Term: Mon 15th Feb—Fri 19th Feb

Term Ends: Wed 31st March

Training Day: Thur 1st April

Summer Term 2021

School Starts: Mon 19th April
Bank Holiday: Mon 3rd May
Half Term: 31st May-4th June
Training Day: Mon 28th June
Term Ends: Wed 21st July

Visiting Artist and Mosaic Work

This week we have been very lucky as we have had two visiting artists in school! KS2 children had a wonderful time helping Darrell and Rachel with making artwork for our school. We are very proud of their amazing effort.



Staff Training Day

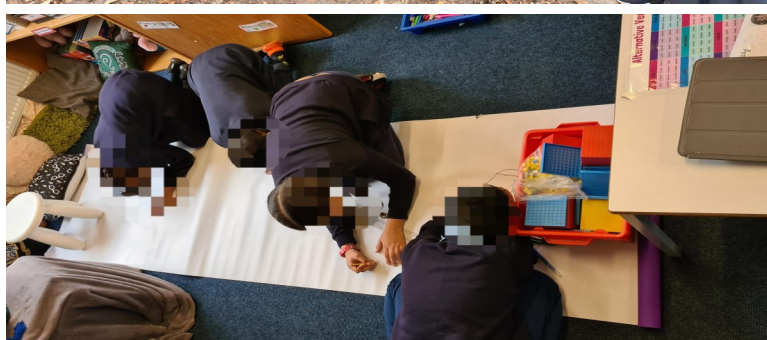
Please note that Friday 23rd October is a training day. Children will not be in school that day.

Children's Christmas Cards

The proofs for children's Christmas cards that they have designed themselves will arrive in school next week. If you would like to order any, you must do so by 4th November.

Eco Activists!

In school we have bought litter pickers to pick up litter. Year 4 have started a campaign to stop littering and the whole school is supporting it! At Grove Vale we are trying to stop littering in all areas, regardless of how much litter there is. Year 4 did an activist march today around school with banners and posters and are also posting on twitter!



20th October	Parent's evening phone calls 4.30pm-6.30pm
21st October	Timezone Yr 3
23rd October	Training Day
26th-30th October	Half term
31st October 2020	Deadline for secondary school applications
5th November	Flu Nasal Spray
18th December	Break up for Christmas holidays
4th January	Return to school
15th January 2021	Deadline for reception class places applications

