



Friday 20th November 2020

The Grove Valer

Christmas Activities

As Christmas is fast approaching at the end of this term, we wanted to share details of the festivities planned for Grove Vale so that you can plan ahead.

Date	Activity	Notes
Tuesday 1st December- Christingle service	The virtual service will be lead by Mrs Connop and each class will make a Christingle as part of the service	
Wednesday 9th December – Christmas panto day	The Night before Christmas play in year group bubbles for R, Yr 1, Yr 2 and Yr 3 Year 4-6 have Sleeping Beauty panto online	The PFA have kindly funded this event.
Friday 11th December – Xmas dinner and Xmas jumper day	Children's Christmas Lunch Packed lunch children can book a school lunch for this day if they would like to join in the festivities.	The children can wear Xmas jumpers and their own clothes (sensible shoes)
Monday 14th December – Christmas craft day	Christmas craft day to make decorations/cards etc.	
Tuesday 15th December – Virtual Christmas assembly	The service will be lead by Mrs Connop and will include a selection of carols and Christmas songs, some readings and a short nativity scene.	***deadline for Secret Santa presents in school **
Wednesday 16th December - Christmas movie day and activities	Children can watch a Christmas movie and have a tasty treat like popcorn and hot chocolate to enjoy. The children will then do activities based on the film.	EYFS/Yr 1- Merry Madagascar Year 2-6 – The Golden Compass
Thursday 17th December- Christmas, secret santa and party day.	Children can enjoy parties in their classroom. A slip will be sent home closer to the time requesting an item of pre-packaged food. Secret Santa gift exchange for children.	All children are invited to come dressed in party clothes ready for their parties DJ Dodd will be running the disco in the hall in Year group bubbles.
Friday 18th December – Pupil of the term assembly and toy day	Mrs Connop will lead an online assembly for our pupils of the term.	Children will be able to come to school on the last day in Christmas jumpers and will be able to bring a toy (not electrical or console based)

Travelling Book Fair

From Monday 23rd November we will be launching our first ever Scholastic Book Fair. Order forms were sent out on Monday via ParentPay, which you can use to browse the full range of books available. You will need to pay for the book using the phone ordering system that was also sent out via ParentPay, and the order form needs to be returned to school by Monday 30th November.

Secret Santa

Each child will be given the name of another child in their class to be Secret Santa for. This can be something as simple as a small children's selection box from Poundland. The budget is £2 or less per child. Each child will be given their Secret Santa name by the 20/11/20, please can we ask all Secret Santas are sent into school wrapped with a label stating the name of the child by no later than Tuesday 15th December. **We would like to ask for the name of the child to remain secret.**

30th November	Reply slips to be returned to school re the present donations.
30th November— 4th December	Year 2 Phonics Tests.
9th December	Theatre Production R-Year 3.
11th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day.
15th December	Secret Santa Gifts To Be Handed Into School.
16th December	Present Donations For Hospice Handed Into School.
17th December	Party Day. Secret Santa Gift Exchange.
18th December	Effort Reports Sent Home.
18th December	Break up for Christmas holidays.
4th January	Return to school.

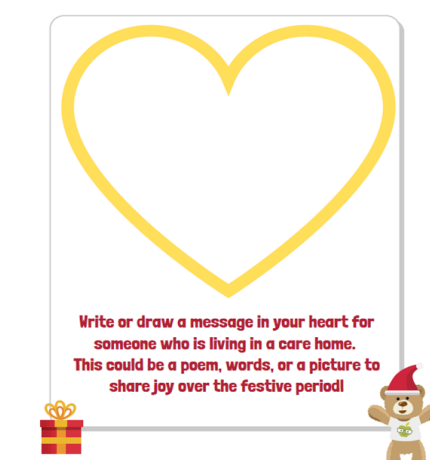
COVID Guidance

If someone in your household has COVID symptoms and is having a test done, children **MUST** stay at home and isolate until the household member receives a negative test result. If it is positive, children must isolate for 14 days.

Hearts For Homes

This week, children have been creating messages for residents of Robert Harvey residential home. They created poems, pictures, and kind words using the picture below.

Hearts for Homes



Checking emails

Can all parents please make sure they are checking their emails regularly. Any school news will be sent via ParentPay. If you are not receiving emails, please contact the school to get ParentPay activation details.

Donations

As a school we raised £344.80 for Children In Need and £127.92 for Remembrance Day!

Thank you!

Reader Of The Term

The readers of the term free books arrived this week! Here they are with the books they chose:

