



Friday 14th September 2018

The Grove Valer

Whole School Priorities

Each year the senior leadership team at Grove Vale chose key priorities to focus and report on throughout the year, they choose these from looking at data and speaking to subject leaders. This year our 4 key priorities are:

1. To ensure maths teaching in school is consistent, cross-curricular and progressive with a sharp focus on reasoning in all year groups.
2. To raise the profile of Personal, Social and Health Education with the development of the curriculum and ethos in school.
3. To identify and develop potential middle leaders.
4. To continue to increase the % of pupils achieving the Greater depth standard in Reading, Writing and Maths by the end of Key Stage 2.

Attendance and Punctuality

Class with the highest attendance: 5M

Most punctual classes:

RDW, RGB, 1H, 2K, 2P, 4A, 4B, 5B, 5M, & 6H

Number of lates:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
0	2	0	0	1

Time Zone

On Wednesday Year 2 enjoyed a memorable experience of life in the medieval times! A court was held to determine if the accused were guilty or innocent, if guilty there were terrible consequences! The children have been playing games from the past like cup in the ball, connect 4, skittles and shove a penny. The children have also learnt about different herbs and plants that can be used for medicinal purposes. To remind children of their experience, they have used string to make their own felt. A very busy day for Year 2!

On Tuesday year 5 took park as witnesses in a Tudor court and sentenced the guilty to traditional punishments. The children learned about what it was like to be a child in a Tudor classroom and wrote calligraphy using a quill ink. In the afternoon the children played with traditional toys such as 'shove a penny and cup and ball and a traditional spinning top. Finally they learned what it was like to be a Tudor soldier and learned how to march whilst holding sharp pikes.

Parking for breakfast and after school club

Can we remind parents who use breakfast and after school club that you are not allowed to use the staff car park. The Zig Zag lines restrict parking only between the hours of 8am and 4pm. We have also noticed cars are being parked on the corner of the school driveway which restricts the view of oncoming cars when pulling in and out of the driveway. With this in mind, under no circumstances should children be dropped off outside or on the corners of the school driveway as this causes serious health and safety concerns.

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 7th November school will be having an open day for prospective parents.

Times are:

10-11.30am

1.30-3pm

No appointment necessary just come to the school office.

Please pass this information onto any family or friends who have children starting school in September 2019.

Year 4 Trip to the Sea-life Centre

On Wednesday, year 4 spent the day at the Sea Life Centre. They were lucky enough to have a personal tour around the aquarium and found out lots about weird and wonderful marine life. The children had a fantastic day and have already started putting their amazing facts to good use. A special thank you must go out to our parent helpers; Ms Hill and Mr Hunt who accompanied us on the trip. A brilliant day had by all and a perfect start to our 'Blue Abyss' topic.

Grove Vale Parents Association

On Thursday our PA meet for the first time this year. There is another meeting planned for Wednesday 26th September @ 9am. At this meeting they plan to discuss:

- how to spend money raised in summer term. Possible ideas so far are: girls football kit and equipment for the infant playground
- future events, including an autumn disco and the Christmas fayre.

It will be great to see lots of new faces, everyone is welcome!

Autumn Disco: Thursday 29th November

Christmas Fayre: Thursday 13th December



Football



Girls football training—Every Monday 3-3.30-4.30pm

Boys football training—Every Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 26th September Girls Friendly football match at Handbury Primary.

HARVEST DONATIONS

Please send harvest donations into school on Friday 12th October. This year our donations will be sent to the Birmingham City Mission. They need items such as: tea, coffee, tinned fruit or vegetables, pasta, rice, packets of sauces, tinned meats & puddings, toiletries, nappies and wipes. They can not accept fresh food, fruit or vegetables. Thank you.

Tuesday 25th September @ 8.50am	Reception e-safety drop in
Wednesday 26th September @ 9am	PA meeting
Wednesday 26th September @ 3pm	Reception e-safety drop in
Wednesday 26th September 3.15-4.30pm	Girls friendly football match GV vs. Handbury primary
Thursday 27th September	Individual photos
Friday 28th September @3pm	Reception e-safety drop in
Thursday 11th October	Yr 6 heights and weights
Friday 12th October	Harvest Donations sent into school
Tuesday 16th October	Harvest Festival Assembly
Monday 15th October—19th October	Black History Week
Tuesday 16th October	Flu vaccinations Rec-Yr 5
Friday 19th October	Homework due in
Monday 22nd -Friday 26th October	Edmond Hall residential trip
Monday 29th October—Friday 2nd November	October half term
Monday 5th November-9th November	WW1 celebration week
Wednesday 7th November @ 9.15am	Yr 2 Diwali Assembly
Wednesday 7th November @ 10am –11.30 & 1.30-3pm	OPEN DAY for prospective parents
Thursday 8th November 3.45-6.45pm	Parents evening
Thursday 8th November	Timezone Yr 3 Greeks
Friday 9th November	Homework out
Friday 9th November @ 2.30pm	Yr 6 parent workshop 'Blood Heart'
Monday 12th—Friday 16th November	Anti-bullying week
Monday 12th—Friday 16th November	Testing week
Friday 16th November	Children in need
Thursday 20th December @ 3.30pm	Break up for Christmas

Have a Great Weekend!

