



Friday 8th November 2019

# The Grove Valer

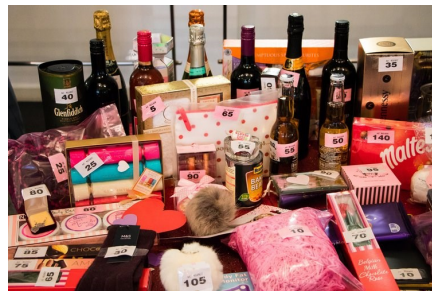
## Donation Day

**Friday 29th November:** is non-uniform day for pupils, in return we ask for a donation for our tombola stall. We need un-opened:

- bottles of alcohol
- non-alcoholic drinks
- chocolate
- Toiletries

*Or if you would prefer send in a £1 donation.*

Without your donations the stalls can not succeed.



## Year 4—parent workshop

On **Thursday 28th November @ 2pm** we would like to invite our year 4 parents to a workshop linked to their topic Bayeux Tapestry.

## Additional School Closure

We have been informed that our school will be used as a polling station in the General Election on **Thursday 12th December**. Please note that school will be closed to all pupils.

## Year 6—parent workshop

On **Tuesday 26th November @1.30pm** we would like to invite our year 6 parents into school, to work with their children in a sewing workshop to make Christmas decorations.

## November Twitter

### Competition

We really love to hear about your sporting hobbies outside of school and would love to share these with the rest of the school.

Take part in the November Twitter Competition to have your pictures or images shared in assembly and on the Grove Valer.

To enter follow [@GroveValePS](https://twitter.com/GroveValePS) on Twitter and hashtag [#GVactive](https://twitter.com/GVactive).



## Reception Online Safety Workshop

On Monday **25th November at 8:40 am and 3:20 pm**, we are offering an online safety workshop for Reception (EYFS) parents. Both workshops will be the same however we are offering an am and a pm slot to offer you more flexibility. A letter has been sent out via Parent Pay, where you can request discussion points and advice on specific topics via the online form. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Staff News

We would like to inform parents that Mrs Howell has this week been appointed as Assistant head. Mrs Howell currently teaches in year 6 and is phase leader for years 5 and 6. She will also lead curriculum development across the school.

## Children In Need



Thank you for all of your kind donations for last Friday's Children In Need. We are happy to announce that as a school we raised £700.

## Guru Nanak 550 Assembly



On Thursday we welcomed to school, PC Ash from Oldbury police station, as part of our assembly to celebrate the 550th Anniversary of Guru Nanak birthday.



Congratulations to the winners of the competition:

Amber, Dharam and Anaya from 1K; Sumrit, Udhayvir and Agam from 1P; Balkaran from 2D; Ria and Rajan from 2P; Eva and Amrina 3S; Jacob and Mya from 3CP; Eshaan and Esther from 4A; Ria and Kyron from 4H; Esha and Anand from 5M; Emily and Priya from 5B; Kimmy and Amar from 6H; Pavan and Jeevan from 6C.

## The Sun Books for School

Can we please ask parents to start collecting the Sun Books for schools tokens – Schools need to collect 3,500 tokens to get a box of more than 100 books from the Collins Big Cat reading programme.



## Helping others

We are very proud of Pavan in 6C, who on Wednesday, presented a cheque for £3,500 to Birmingham children's hospital. The money raised will be used to buy a new ECG machine for children's heart department. The money raised was in memory of his dad who sadly passed away last year with a heart condition.



## Shape Conference

On Thursday, Mrs Mansur took our school councillors from Year 5 and Year 6 to the SHAPE Our Future, Know Your Rights Convention. The children participated in workshops which taught them about Staying Safe, Being Healthy, Achieving and Enjoying and Economic Wellbeing. This involved the children learning about recycling effectively in our environments, online safety and effective ways to manage their feelings so that their mental wellbeing remains healthy. The children also took part in a five minute presentation about how they would like to make a positive contribution to our community. The children thoroughly enjoyed the engaging activities and did us proud with their presentation!



## Christmas Post

From Monday 2nd December the Christmas post-box will be open within school. Children may send Christmas cards to friends and teachers within the school, can we please ask that all cards are clearly labelled with children's names and classes (class lists will be sent home). Can we also say that if children/families would prefer to make a donation of food (instead of sending cards) to the local food bank we would be happy to facilitate this.

## Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday 11th December it will be our Christmas Dinner day. If your child would like a dinner on this day please pay via Parent pay.

Vegetarian option available.

The cost is £2.40



25th November @ 8:40am & 3:20 pm	Reception parent online safety workshop
Tuesday 26th November @ 1.30pm	Year 6 sewing parent workshop
Wednesday 27th November	Year 5 Black Hole Planetarium workshop for pupils
Thursday 28th November @11am	HBBC bank to talk to year 5 pupils
Thursday 28th November @2pm	Year 4 Parent workshop—Bayeux Tapestry
Friday 29th November	Donation day - non uniform
Monday 2nd December	Christmas post to start
Tuesday 3rd December @ 9.15am	Years 1 and 2 Carols and Christingle assembly to parents
Thursday 5th December	Whole school online safety day
Thursday 5th December	Xmas jumper day—bring a donation of cake
Thursday 5th December 3.45-6pm	Christmas Fayre
Monday 9th December @ 9am	Year 5 to Q3 to watch Panto
Tuesday 10th December @ 9.15am	Little Valers and reception Nativity to parents
Wednesday 11th December @ 2.30pm	Little Valers and reception Nativity to parents
Wednesday 11th December	Christmas Dinner day
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED—POLLING DAY</b>
Friday 13th December	Year 1 Church Visit
Friday 13th December @1.30pm	Year 2 PANTs talk
Monday 16th December	Polar Express theme day—non uniform day—pupils wear pyjamas.
Monday 16th December 4pm	Christmas Choir performance to parents
Tuesday 17th December @ 2.30pm	Years 3 and 4 carol service—parents welcome
Wednesday 18th December @ 9.15am	Years 5 and 6 carol service—parents welcome
Wednesday 18th December @ 2.30pm	Year 3 Christmas Cornet concert to parents
Thursday 19th December 9am & 2pm	End of term assemblies
Friday 20th December	Party day—non-uniform (party clothes)
Friday 20th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 6th January	Spring term start—pupils back to school

