



Friday 25th October 2019

# The Grove Valer

## Football Competition



Well done to the year 4 football team, who on Thursday went to the WBA dome with Mr Dodd for a football competition. They did really well and won the entire competition beating all teams from the Birmingham area. Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport.

## Outdoor Learning week



The week after half term 4th-8th November is outdoor learning week. During this week teachers will be planning lessons using the outdoor areas, resources and facilities. Please can we ask parents to send children to school on the Monday with a bag containing appropriate clothing (wellies, change of warm clothes and a waterproof coat) children will need to leave this bag in school till the Friday.

## Happy Diwali

We would like to wish a Happy Diwali to all our families celebrating.



## Children in need

On **Friday 15th November** it is BBC Children In Need. At Grove Vale School we take pride in supporting this worthwhile fund raising event. On this day the children can come into school in non-school uniform and we



will be asking the children to wear as many spotty items as possible. We will also be asking for a donation of £1 from the children who choose to dress up. In addition to this we will be selling Children in Need wrist bands @ £1. We hope you will all support this day and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.



## Guru Nanak 550

As it is 550 years since the Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Ji's (Who was the founder of Sikhism and the first of the ten gurus) – we will be celebrating at school by running a competition for both Ks1 and Ks2.

This will entail the child to produce the following:

- An A4 or A3 poster about Guru Nanak Dev Ji
- A Poem or hymn
- A story about his life
- His main message/golden rules.
- Or any other ideas are welcome too.

The best two entries from each class will receive a prize in school and have their work displayed in school.

The deadline will be 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2019.

## Poppies



Poppies will be on Sale in school from **Monday 4th November**. We will talk about Remembrance Day and why we wear poppies in assemblies and PSHE sessions the first week back. On Monday 11th November we will hold a minutes silence throughout the whole school at 11am.

### Parent Family Association

#### **PFA Disco—Thursday 7th November**

3.30-4.30pm infant      5-6pm juniors

**Xmas jumper and donation day**—Friday 6th December

**Christmas Fayre—Thursday 12th December** straight after school

### Year 6 SATs workshop for parents

On Thursday 14th November @ 9.30am we would like to invite our year 6 parents to a workshop regarding the end of key stage 2 statutory tests in May.

### OPEN DAY

**Thursday 7th November** school will be having a open day for prospective parents.

Times are:

**9.30-11.30am— Head Teacher talk at 9.30am**

**1.30-3pm— Head Teacher talk at 1.30pm**

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 2020.

28th October—1st November	HALF TERM
Thursday 31st October	Deadline for Secondary school applications
Monday 4th November	Poppies on sale
Monday 4th November	Year 4 Time-zone—Raiders and invaders
Monday 4th November	FLU vaccinations
Monday 4th-Friday 8th November	Outdoor learning week
Monday 4th-Thursday 7th November	Visiting Artist in school
Thursday 7th November	OPEN DAY
Thursday 7th November	School disco 3.30-4.30pm infant 5-6pm juniors
Monday 11th November @11am	Minutes silence
Monday 11th-Friday 15th November	Anti-bullying week
Monday 11th-Friday 15th November	Testing week
Thursday 14th November @ 9.30am	Year 6 SATs workshop for parents
Friday 15th November	Children in need
Friday 22nd November @ 2.30pm	Operation Lift off—year 5 parent workshop
Tuesday 26th November @ 9.30am	Year 6 sewing parent 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 @2pm	Year 4 Parent workshop—Bayeaux Tapestry
Tuesday 3rd December @ 9.15am	Years 1 and 2 Carols and Christingle assembly to parents
Friday 6th December	Xmas jumper and DONATION day
Tuesday 10th December @ 9.15am	Little Valers and reception Nativity to parents
Wednesday 11th December @ 2.30pm	Little Valers and reception Nativity to parents
Thursday 12th December 3.45-6pm	Christmas Fayre
Monday 16th December	Whole school Polar Express theme day
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
Friday 20th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 6th January	Spring term start—pupils back to school

