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# Newsletter



# Happy Half Term!

I cannot believe that we are at the end of the first half term of the academic year! It has been a long time since we have had an 8 week half term at the start of the year, so I am very proud of how resilient the children and staff have been in ensuring that we make the most of our learning time, despite the tiredness creeping in!

This month we say goodbye to Mrs Davis, who has worked at Grove Road for many years. Mrs Davis was actually my TA when I started teaching at Grove Road in 2011, so has seen lots of changes throughout the school! I hope you will all join me in giving our good wishes and appreciation for all of the support she has given the school over her time here.

I wish the whole school community a wonderful half-term break. We will see everyone back on 4<sup>th</sup> November for the second half of the Autumn Term!

Best wishes,

Mrs Grace Beckford

Acting Headteacher

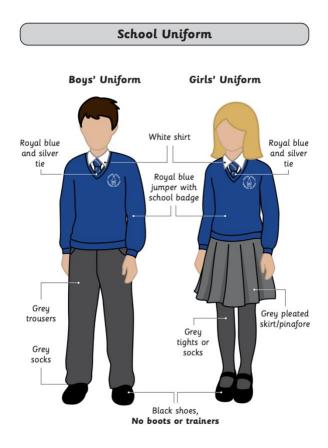
# **Parent Governor Vacancy**

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor on our board. Being a school governor is a very rewarding, voluntary position which can allow you to support the school on a strategic level. We welcome nominations from all parents – new and long-standing. If you would like to find out more,



please drop into the office to collect and information pack, where we can also put you in touch with an existing governor to find out more about the role entails.

#### **Uniform**



We are noticing increasingly that some children are coming to school in incorrect uniform. As a general reminder, we do not allow children to wear black tights or trousers, leggings or polo shirts instead of a button-down shirt. Children must always wear their tie unless they are wearing their PE kit.

We have a large stock of second hand uniform available for sale, which is detailed at the end of the newsletter. You are also more than welcome to come into the office to ask about particular sizes that you might not see online, as we may have received a donation recently.

#### **Harvest**

It was wonderful to see so many people at our two harvest performances this year. That is certainly the best turn-out I have ever seen! I know it means the world to the children to share in their performance with you. Of course, these things only happen through the hard work and dedication of the staff and parents, so thank you for helping to make it happen!

We also donated a phenomenal amount of food to Hounslow Community Foodbox. We were overwhelmed by your generosity and thank you very much for supporting such a worthy cause!

# **Gold Class Special Assembly**



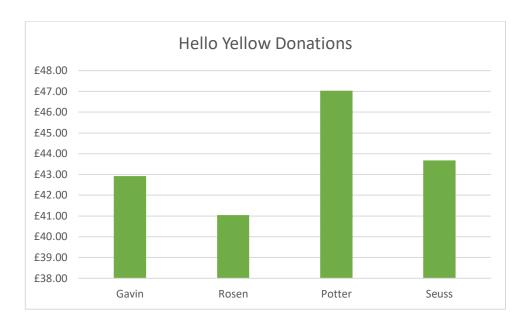
We were treated to a wonderful celebration of learning in Gold Class this week, focused on their learning about World War 2. We were all very impressed at their wealth of knowledge and their brilliant singing! They all looked like they have been transported from 1939!

# **Y5 & 6 Cross-Country Competition**



It was muddy, but our Y5 and 6 cross-country group represented up with pride at the borough competition this week. As always, they made us very proud with their sportsmanship and perseverance. Well done everyone!

#### **Hello Yellow Day**



Thank you for your generous donations for Young Minds and Hello Yellow. We raised £174.68! We also won a prize draw to win a 'buddy bench' which we will be receiving soon. This will allow children a place to sit if they need help initiating play/

#### **Second Hand Uniform**

Please visit <a href="https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/grove-road-primary-school">https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/grove-road-primary-school</a> to browse our selection and make any purchases that you would like. We are also accepting any donations of school uniform that you may have through the school office.





# Healthy Weight and Management Workshop

#### **Habits and Routines**

Do you want to learn about healthy eating habits and routines, and how to incorporate healthy lifestyle changes for the whole family?

Join us for a healthy weight and management workshop led by a nutritionist from our health partner organisation, Beezee Bodies!

What will happen at the workshop?

- · An interactive discussion around healthy habits and routines
- A Q&A time for parents to ask specific questions about healthy eating for their child
- Take home resources about habits and routines, healthy recipes and any other useful information.

The workshop will be held at two of our Family Hubs:

Alf King Family Hub (TW13 5AF) Monday 28th October, 12pm - 1pm

Brentford Family Hub (TW8 0BJ) Friday 1st November, 2pm - 3pm

The workshop is ideal for parents and carers with children aged 5 - 12 years old. However, parents and carers with younger children are welcome to attend as well.







Or follow this link: https://forms.office.com/e/E8 WR17tmcV

For further information, contact familyhub@hounslow.gov.uk

#### **Class Emails**

We continue to have class mailboxes for you to contact your child's class teacher. There is no need to also copy in the office to your emails – this can sometimes confuse the lines of communication. Class inboxes are monitored daily but please allow up to 48 hours for a response. For anything urgent, including reporting your child absent, please continue to contact the school office.

Red Class: red@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Orange Class: orange@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Yellow Class: yellow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Green Class: <a href="mailto:green@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk">green@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</a>

Blue Class: <u>blue@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</u>

Indigo Class: <a href="mailto:indigo@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk">indigo@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</a>

Violet Class: violet@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Gold Class: gold@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Rainbow Class: <a href="mailto:rainbow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk">rainbow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</a>

### **November Upcoming Dates**

4th - Start of Autumn 2

5<sup>th</sup> - Parent Workshop - self-help Skills

11<sup>th</sup> – Individual Children's Photos

12<sup>th</sup> – Odd Socks Day

13th - Green Class Cinema Trip

14th - Violet & Gold Class Cinema Trip

15<sup>th</sup> – Blue & Indigo Class Cinema Trip

15<sup>th</sup> – School Council Food Bank Visit

19th – Yellow Class Cinema Trip

19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Evenings

26th - Blue Class Butser Ancient Farm Visit

28<sup>th</sup> – Violet Class Special Assembly

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