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Newsletter



Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the whole Grove Road community! It has been a wonderful start to 2025 this month, with lots of activities going on. We have had trips, workshops and performances going on, as well as welcoming some new faces to our family school.

It has been lovely to see some of our children in Nursery and Reception explore the ice that has formed in their garden – very apt for their topic this half term. I know that Mr. Hume has had a great start to the term as the new teacher in Orange Class and has been very impressed with the children's enthusiasm for learning.

I was very happy to see so many parents attend our Phonics workshop this week, led by Miss Johnson and Ms. Turner. They shared lots of information about our Phonics programme and information about how to support your child at home with their reading. Further information will be available on the website for those who didn't get a chance to attend.

Even though this is a short half term, we still have lots of exciting things happening before the break to look forward to. We keep the live calendar on the website up-to-date with any forthcoming events so that you can see what is happening at a glance.

When it does come, I wish everyone a lovely half-term break and look forward to seeing everyone when we return!

With thanks,

Mrs Grace Beckford Acting Headteacher

New Local Offer Website

Hounslow council are pleased to announce that a brand new **SEND Local Offer website** is now live! You can view it here: www.hounslow.gov.uk/send-local-offer

This site provides advice, guidance and support for families with young people aged 0–25 and with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

There are also a number of SEND surgeries running throughout the borough, where you can drop-in for support, advice and signposting.

Come and speak to us in person at one of our SEND Surgeries below...



EYFS Learning about Ice!





Supporting on School Trips

As always, we have lots of exciting trips coming up, as well as the chance for some children to represent the school in competitions. These events cannot run without the support from parents, helping us with supervision. Unfortunately, some recent events have had to be cancelled as parents who had agreed to help on trips then later decided on the day that they couldn't.

If you are able to support on any events, whether this be for your own child's class, or another event, please let us know by emailing or dropping into the office, who will keep a list of possible helpers.

Second Hand Uniform

We have seen a lot of use of our second-hand uniform shop this month and are pleased to continue to offer this all year round. Please visit https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/grove-road-primary-school to browse our selection and make any purchases that you would like.



Birthday Treats - Repeat Message

Another reminder that we will no longer be distributing large party bags and gifts to children – if it is your child's birthday, a small chocolate or treat (nut-free) is more than enough to share with friends. It is so wonderful that there is such generosity amongst families, but this puts pressure on families who may find it difficult to do the same. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Parent Governor

We are still hoping to find a new parent governor. This is a very rewarding role in which you will be able to be part of the strategic direction of the school and requires no previous experience. All that we ask is that you attend 6 meetings throughout the year (Always after 6.00pm) and that you take part in training that is provided for free.

If you would like an informal chat with myself, or one of our existing governors, please contact the office and we can arrange a phone call or meeting, where you can find out more.

Class Emails

We continue to have class mailboxes for you to contact your child's class teacher. These emails 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: green@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

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

Indigo Class: indigo@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

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

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

Rainbow Class: rainbow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Coming up in February

5th- Indigo Class Tower Bridge Trip

10th – School Council trip to Cloisters Care Home

11th - Safer Internet Day

13th - Blue Class Assembly

17th – Half Term

24th – Back to School

25th – Gold Class History Workshop

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