



GROVE NEWS

Summer 1 2022



Dear Families,

Well this half term has just flown past and it's hard to believe that when we return we will be in the last half term of the academic year!

Even though it has only been a five week half term, our teachers and children have packed so much in. We have thoroughly enjoyed seeing so many families back in school for the different share sessions; our children across the school have been out and about and visiting different places in the local community such as the Hundred River Farm and the Benacre Estate and we have had so many sporting successes to celebrate! Also, there have been visits from A local Sea Shanty group, and One Life Suffolk.

The children across the whole school have been 'eggcited' to see several new arrivals in school over the last week. Our PTFA funded two incubators and the children have been so eager to see the chicks and ducklings hatch.

There have been a few changes in staffing this term: two new staff members join our school community - Miss Bayes who is supporting in KSI and Mrs Daldry our new Family Support Advisor. Also, Mrs Collins has now started her maternity leave and Mrs Fuller is now supporting in Nursery.

On the last day of term, we celebrated the Queens Jubilee with a whole school street party! The children made bunting and art work to decorate the school and took part in a range of fun activities. Children from Reception to Year 6 were presented with a special mug which was kindly gifted by Carlton Colville Parish Council. A special keepsake for a special occasion.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of our school, it really is our pleasure teaching your children and working with our local community.

We are so Proud to be Grove!

Enjoy the Easter break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 6th June

Mrs Aldous & Ms Creed

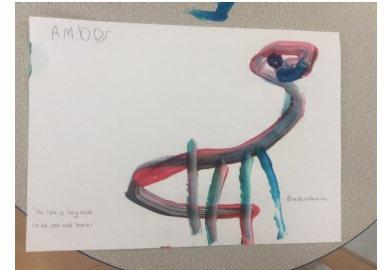


Nursery & Reception

Nursery

In Nursery we have been learning about eggs and the different creatures which hatch from them.

We have looked at different eggs and guessed which birds laid them and freed dinosaurs from frozen eggs!

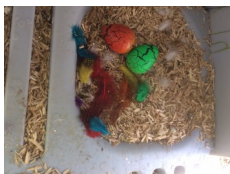


Each week we have carried out a different experiment, making eggs bouncy and seeing how strong they are!



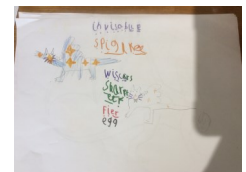
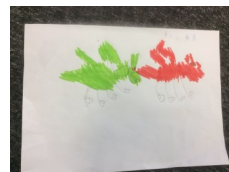
Reception

This term in Reception the children found a nest full of mysterious eggs. We cared for and looked after the eggs whilst making predictions of what could be in the egg, our ideas ranged from bunnies and peacocks to dinosaurs. Together we researched which animals were Oviparous and laid eggs and ruled out any Viviparous animals.



During science, we explored cracking eggs looking at the different parts and learning why they are important. We also explored the effects of different liquids on egg shells to understand why it's important to look after our teeth.

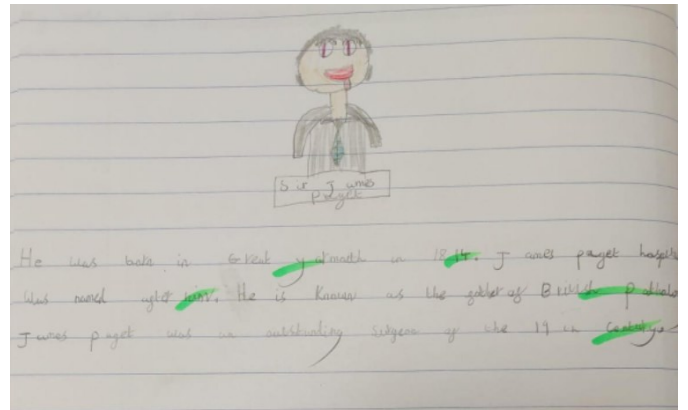
After researching the mysterious eggs, we found the eggs had hatched and something had come out, the children watched CCTV back to find dragons in the classroom! The children designed their own dragons to create their own mythical story exploring story structures.



We also had our very own brood of ducks That hatched in our classroom!



1 & 2



This half term, in Key Stage 1 we have been learning all our Local Heroes.

We have been exploring all of the heroes that work in our communities by learning about the History of the NHS, writing superhero stories and creating explanations on how to be a local hero.



We have taken part in one life enrichment sessions where we have been exploring how to keep our bodies healthy.



We have also been exploring weaving and embellishing fabric to fantastic art work including creating mobiles!



Years 3 & 4

This term we have continued with History as a topic and looked at the Bronze and Iron Age. Our Art topic has been all about creating printing blocks and designing these to print onto different materials

We loved 'When I Grow Up' day which was run by our No Outsiders champions- the children got to listen to our visitors tell us all about their jobs. We really thought about how people are stereotyped for different jobs.



We were also visited by Nicol from Farrans- who are building the Gull Wing bridge- to tell us all about the progress being made. We learnt some fascinating facts.



It was also fantastic to be visited by Voice Cloud a Sea Shanty band that got us all inspired with a different musical genre.



Years 5 and 6

Firstly, we are incredibly proud of the children for the positive attitudes and resilience they demonstrated during SATs week. They could not have worked any harder and the whole Grove team has been very impressed with their maturity and determination to succeed and be the best they can be!



Year 5 Enterprise Week

Year 5 had a very successful Enterprise week a couple of weeks ago. They worked well together in their teams to create a product, name, idea and budget of an item they wished to sell to the school community. They sold their finished items on Friday afternoon and they made a fantastic £300. We really do have some budding entrepreneurs!



Cricket Sessions

Year 5 and 6 have really enjoyed their Cricket sessions this half term with Peggy from They have been practising their bowling, catching and batting skills. They have really developed their expertise, well done!



Science—Circulatory System

Our Science unit this half term is all about our circulatory system and understanding how it allows the body to function. Part of their learning involved the dissection of a heart so they could explore the different parts of the heart, including; the atrium, ventricles, arteries, veins and valves.



Wood Hall Farm visit—Year 6

On Wednesday, the Year 6 pupils had the opportunity to visit a working farm in Benacre as a post SATs reward. There were lots of exciting activities for them to get involved with, including: sheep shearing, birds of prey, farm machinery, pond dipping and dog handling.. They had a brilliant day and learnt a lot about the work involved with working on a farm.



Sporting Success

Tournaments News

So many successes to celebrate in our Summer 1 fixtures:

- Year 5 boys football A team came runners up in their league finishing in second place, whilst the B team came 5th!
- KS2 Inclusive football team loved their opportunity and won in their recent competition— another trophy for the cabinet!
- UKS2 boys basketball team finished in second place and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and behaviour.
- Year 5 girls football team came 4th and were amazing representatives for the school



Schools Against Racism Festival

This year our friends over at Red Oak introduced this new event to ALT schools in which UKS2 explored discrimination in sport through a day of workshops and football. The day started looking at the racial differences across players in the professional game and what we can do to change and challenge racism at the primary school level. Then after lunch, the children took part in Football tournament; each child before each game had to take the knee to show equality and respect across schools and race. It was a brilliant day and our children were thrilled that they even appeared on the local news!

Clubs

There have been large numbers of children attending clubs this half term which is wonderful. Each year group has experienced a range of sports and all have come away from clubs having enjoyed them. Please remember if there is a sport that you would like introduced next year, let your class teacher know or come and speak to Miss Rogers or Mr Fisher.

Upcoming Events Next Half Term

NSSP - Year 6 Cricket 8.6.22

ALT - UKS2 Cricket 10.6.22

NSSP - Year 6 Quad Kids 15.6.22

ALT - KSI Skittleball 17.6.22

ALT - All Years Running 1.7.22



Diary Dates

There may be more events taking place and we will let you know as soon as possible!

Date	Description
06/06/2022	Elder Class - Geography Field Trip to Pakefield Beach - 9.30am till 2.30pm
07/06/22	Willow Class - Geography Field Trip to Pakefield Beach - 9.30am till 2.30pm
08/06/2022	Year 6 - Cricket Tournament at Denes Oval - 2pm-5pm
10/06/2022	UKS2 - ALT Mixed Cricket Tournament at Red Oak - 3.30pm-5.30pm
10/06/2022	Oak Class - Geography Field Trip to Pakefield Beach - 9.30am till 2.30pm
17/06/2022	KS1 - ALT Skittleball Tournament at Red Oak - 3.30pm-5.30pm
18/06/2022	First Light Festival - Art & DT Club Children - 10.30am beach meet up
21/06/2022	The Virtual Big Sing - 1.45pm-2.45pm
23/06/2022	LKS2 Church walk
27/06/2022	Inflatable Day (PTFA)
28/06/2022	Year 5 Taster Day at Bungay High School
29/06/2022	Years 5 & 6 - Lion King Trip in London
30/06/2022	Inter House Sports Competition
30/06/2022	Rock Choir Performance at Norfolk Showground - 9am-2pm
30/06/2022	Fairtrade Workshop KS1
01/07/2022	Year 3 - Ukulele Performance at London Baptist Church - 9.30am-2.45pm
04/07/2022 - 08/07/2022	Sports Share Afternoon
05/07/2022	Year 6 Transition Day 1 for Bungay High School
07/07/2022	Summer Discos (PTFA)
08/07/2022	Year 6 - Leavers BBQ
12/07/2022	Year 6 - Leavers Assembly - 9am till 10am
13/07/2022 - 20/07/2022	Year 6 - Transition to EPA, Sir John Leman and Pakefield High Schools
18/07/2022 & 19/07/2022	Transition Days
20/07/2022	Whole School Picnic
20/07/2022	Last day of Term
21/07/2022	PD Day (school closed to children)
01/09/2022 & 02/09/2022	PD Days (school closed to children)
05/09/2022	All children return to school

HOUSE POINTS

The totals for this half term are:

Diamond = 821

Sapphire = 904

Ruby = 863

Emerald = 838

Congratulations Sapphire your house captains are busy organising your treat!

ATTENDANCE.

Buttercup class won the first week which took them to 9 awards and so their 3rd breakfast! Willow won the second week taking their total to three and their first breakfast and the following two weeks were won by Daisy class which took them to 5 awards.

READING

Reading at home is so important for our children and we can tell how hard they have been working as the tubes are bursting with cubes! Keep reading for chances to win rewards for your year group.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We have had a fantastic range of lunchtime and after school clubs available for the children to enjoy this half term, including.:

Summer Term 2 Clubs 2022 PE SHED/ SCHOOL STAFF

Day	Lunch 12:30pm - 1pm	After School 3.15pm - 4.15pm
Monday	KS1 and EYFS lunch club KS2 lunch club	UKS2 gardening club- developing KS1 garden Mrs Usher & Miss Bailey Max. 20 children UKS2 Art (10 Children) Miss Thacker Coding club - KS2 (16 children) Mr Sandell and Mrs Bolan LKS2 - Athletics Club (Lots of different events to try - running, hurdles, javelin) UKS2 - Rugby (Starting 13th June) Lowestoft and Yarmouth rugby club
Tuesday	KS1 and EYFS lunch club KS2 lunch club	UKS2 - Give it a go (come and try some different summer sports - Tennis, Rounders, Cricket, Golf etc) Lego club (12 children) Ms Williams
Wednesday	KS1 and EYFS lunch club KS2 lunch club	Rock Choir - Mr Syed - Years 1 to 6 KS1 - Sports - inc cricket, tennis and rounders
Thursday	12:30-1 - Ukulele - Mr Syed Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 YMCA 12:00-1:00	Sewing Club - Mrs Meen - Years 4 -6 (6 children max) Woodlands club - Miss Gore and Miss Rogers (LKS2 16 children) KS2 Rounders Club (16)-Mr Rough KS1 and LKS2 - This Girl Can (girls come and have a go at different sports)
Friday	KS1 and EYFS lunch club KS2 lunch club	NO SPORTS CLUB DUE TO ALT TOURNAMENTS

WEBSITE

Please keep an eye on the school website as we update this regularly.
The address is:
www.groveprimaryschool.org
You can also follow us on:



Twitter: @groveprimaryCC



Facebook: Grove Primary School



Instagram: groveprimaryschool

ALLERGY INFORMATION

As you will already be aware, we are a nut-free school - we have children who have allergies to a variety of different nuts as well as peanuts—and ask that parents check the ingredients of items in packed lunches, avoiding anything that states it contains nuts.

CONTACT DETAILS

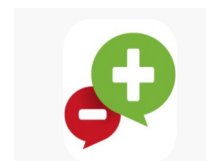
Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. This includes current address and telephone numbers.

We **MUST** have two contact telephone numbers in case of an emergency.



PARENTMAIL

Please ensure you sign up to ParentMail, this is how you will receive ALL means of communication.



Please speak to the school office, if you have any problems - paper copies may be available upon request.



SEND News



Mental health

A lot of our young people are needing more support with their mental health. Here are some tips from YoungMinds to support you and your family.

Did you know?

That, on average, three children in every classroom may experience a mental health difficulty.

How can you help?

Talking to your child about how they feel can be hard – for them and for you as a parent/carer! By taking 20 minutes with them to do an activity you'll both enjoy, you'll create a relaxed space to start that conversation. Visit:

www.youngminds.org.uk/ for lots of fun activity ideas, conversation starters and handy tips, advice and resources to make talking easier.

YoungMinds Parent helpline is open Mon-Fri 9:30am – 4:30pm on **0800 802 5544**. Also web-chat and email available

Or speak to the family support worker or SEND team in school for further support.

1. Thank them for sharing and acknowledge how they're feeling
2. Ask them how they would like you to help and explain any next steps
3. Visit youngminds.org.uk/parents for our help and advice including our Survival Guide
4. If you're really worried about your child, call our Parents Helpline on **0800 802 5544**
5. Talk to your GP as they are the route in to mental health support services (you can go with or without your child.)

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<https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>

For help with the above issues please see the above link or call the following number **0300 300 0123**

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any SEND concerns please contact the SEND team.

Kate Grey kgrey@westwoodprimary.org

Sarah Bayfield S.bayfield@groveprimaryschool.org



Safeguarding and Mental Health News



I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself for those that I have not yet met. My name is Shaneeka Daldry and I have been appointed as the new Family Support Advisor.

I have spent this half term getting to know your children, learning new names and faces. The children have made me feel extremely welcome and I'm really excited about working with them.

Please do make contact with me via the school office or email if you have any worries or concerns. My door is always open and I am happy to arrange for you to come in and meet with me.

Have a wonderful half term, and I look forward to seeing everyone after the break.

Miss Daldry.



If you have worries and concerns, these services can be really useful. Lots of services are looking into how they can support with the financial difficulties families are facing at the moment.

Citizens Advice - 0800 278 7868 (Help to Claim: 0800 144 8444)

IHAG - debt and money advice - 01473 213102

Stepchange webchat or phone.....0800 138 1111

National Debtline webchat or phone0800 808 4000

Money Helper webchat or phone0800 138 7777

These are independent and do not charge for their advice

Online Safety Concerns - Snapchat and Whatsapp

Currently, the minimum age for use of Snapchat is **13 Years old** and the minimum age for Whatsapp is **16 Years old**. However, many of our children have access to Snapchat and Whatsapp which often causes issues in school. Whilst there are many benefits to children using devices, there are also many risks.

As a parent/carers you are responsible for closely monitoring your child's usage of the Internet and mobile phones. In school, we work hard to develop the skills and attitudes that will help our children use technology positively and safely; however, outside of school their online usage is completely out of our hands so we urge you to be vigilant and monitor this closely.

Both Snapchat and WhatsApp have the facility to send **disappearing messages** now, this means that information, photos and videos can be sent and will disappear within 24 hours or less!

Below are some tips on how you can monitor and help your child to manage their online usage:

Leave a group— if your child is in a group that is making them feel uncomfortable, or have been added to a group that they don't want to be a part of, they can use the Snapchat group settings to leave.

Explain about blocking— if your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat.

For **other helpful tips and advice** please visit: <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-snapchat>
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/helping-your-child-with-whatsapp>

People who can help

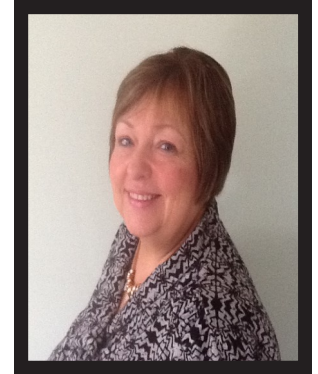
In addition to your child's class teacher, who should always be your first point of contact, the following people are readily available to help you with any issue, if needed.



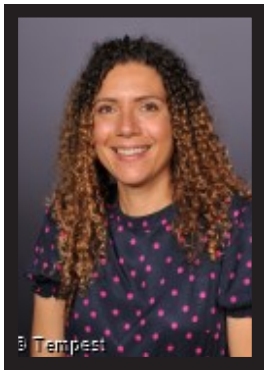
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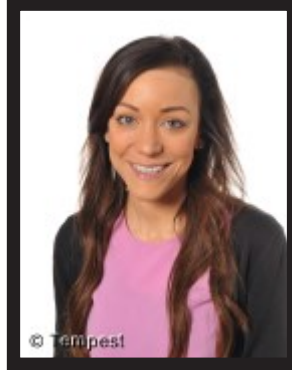
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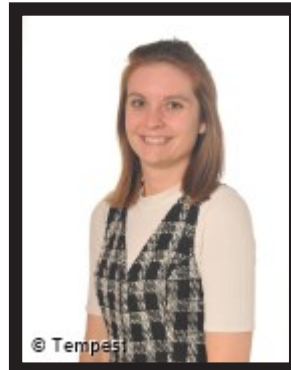
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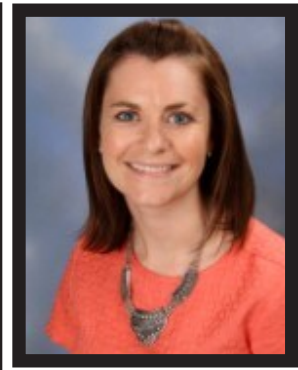
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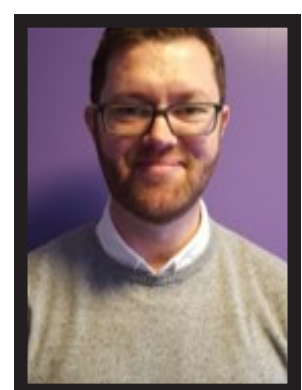
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