



Grove News

March 2021



A message from Mrs Aldous, Mrs Ross, Ms Creed and Mrs Hough



Dear Families,

It has been wonderful to see all the children back in school. They have all settled back into school life really well and it is lovely to see them all working hard and so happy. We would also like to thank you all for your support in the return to school and in following the Government guidelines. We will continue to review our practices to ensure that we keep meeting the guidance from the DfE to reduce the risks of COVID-19 in school.

As you are aware, we asked for your feedback regarding our remote learning offer. We were really pleased with the very positive responses. The number of live sessions offered to all children was highlighted as a real strength of the school and opportunities for children during the lockdown period. The staff worked incredibly hard to provide engaging lessons for the children and motivate them to do their school work. Thank you to you as well for supporting your children in accessing the sessions and for taking the time to complete the survey.

Schools continue to play an important role in contact tracing and the national effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. Over the Easter holiday, we ask that you continue to inform us if:

1. your child tests positive
2. you or another member of your household tests positive
3. your child has had contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19.

Please let us know this information by emailing the school: office@groveprimaryschool.org

Twice-weekly testing using rapid lateral flow tests is available for free to all families and households with primary, secondary school and college aged children and young people, including childcare and support bubbles, to help find more COVID-19 cases and break chains of transmission. These are available for collection from your local test centre with no need to make an appointment. You do not need to report your results to the school if they are negative. If you have a positive test result, please inform us by emailing the school: office@groveprimaryschool.org.

Unfortunately, this will be the last newsletter that I will write here at Grove. It has been a privilege to work at the school for the last three and a half years and be part of the school improvement journey. I will really miss coming to work here each day and know that the school will continue on its journey to 'Good'. Thank you to everyone in the Grove family.

Once again, thank you for your continued support. Stay safe over Easter and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 12th April.



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LKS2 Time and Tide

Lower Key Stage 2 had a visit from the Victorian jailer and one of the prisoners. The prisoner told us all about how he was treated by the jailer and the other punishments that he was given even whilst in prison.

Virtual Religious Stories Assembly

Angela from St. Peter's Church led a virtual Religious Stories assembly for us. The children learnt about Jesus and his disciples and asked some really insightful questions.

World Book Day

What a fabulous World Book Day event we had both in school and at home this year.

As usual, there were some incredible costumes from both the children and the staff! The day included lots of exciting activities including a 'Cat in the Hat' themed day for the KS1 key worker bubble. Year

Two Home Learners found lots of cosy places to read in their homes and created a delicious 'James and the Giant Peach Crumble'! Year 4 Home Learners painted some fantastic 'Reading Rocks' of their favourite book covers and characters. Don't forget to redeem your free book using your World Book Day token at the supermarket now or your local bookshop when they reopen next month.

Red Nose Day

It was lovely to see the children dressed in something red to fundraise for Red Nose Day. They all thoroughly enjoyed the talent show in their classes. What a talented group of children we have here at school! Check out the Facebook page to see some examples of the talents that were shared on the day—and who was crowned the winner in each class.

Virtual Police Visit

LKS2 had the privilege of a virtual visit from the police and their community engagement officers. The visit really helped them to understand the varied role of the police and the work they do in the community.

Science in Motion Competition

A huge well done to our competition winners Joshua and Jaiden. The science team found it so hard to choose from all of the great entries that we had to gather a panel of judges to help us!

Norwich City Sky Ocean Rescue Project

Year 6 have been working on their community action project with Norwich City. They have been discussing plastic pollution in our oceans. Each week, the children will be working on what they can do in their local community to tackle this issue.



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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

WEBSITE

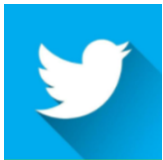
Please keep an eye on the school website.
The address is:

www.groveprimaryschool.org

You can also follow us on:



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Family Support

Mrs Ball is our Family Support Advisor and is available to speak to parents/carers on a daily basis. She can provide advice on a range of different matters. If you need any help or advice, please contact her through the office.

ParentMail

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

Please phone a member of the school office if you have any problems.

Contact details

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

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

Who can help?

In addition to the 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:

Mrs Aldous, Executive Headteacher
Mrs Ross, Deputy Headteacher
Ms Creed, Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Hough, Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Jones, Assistant Headteacher
Miss Spry, Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Gillings, Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Ball, Family Support Advisor