



Stars of the Week!

1JM – Millie Humphries
1CA – Sandy Nichols Birch
1JF – Ryan Birnie
2JC – Tommy Smith
2CA – Rhyleigh Hamilton Bruce
2EL – Bethany Birch
3ST – Noah Marklew
3CS – Isabel Hill
3KO – Harry Crysell
4CS – Whole Year
4LW – While Year
4HT – Whole Year
5CS – George MacKenzie
5FA – Reece Cooper
5JB – Emma Piatkowski
6HR – Michael Knowlson
6DP – Sayali Elmer
6MB – Finn Tyrell

Rainbow Room star of the week:

Anastasia Jones

Librarian of the week:

Bethany Day

Play Leader of the week:

Evie Coleman

Play Buddy of the week:

Lilly Pennington

Diary Dates Dinner Menu C

9th October—Year 1 around the world Teddy Tour, Parents and siblings welcome

11th October—Reception Winnie the Pooh hunt, Parents and Siblings welcome

14th October—Ron's 85th birthday



A huge well done to all our year 5 boys for taking part in the Southend Friendly Football Tournament on Friday 28th September. Our two teams performed well; demonstrating some excellent skills, decision-making, determination, teamwork and attitude. Thank you to all parent for assisting with transport at these events, enabling the children to participate and be part of school sport at Grove Wood. #GetActive



On Monday, a group from the Year 6 Choir visited Rosedale Court where they performed several songs to members at the care home. Their performance was excellent and made our school extremely proud!

Thank you!



On Sunday 14th October it is Ron's 85th birthday, if the children would like to write Ron a birthday message, poem, draw or paint him a birthday picture please bring them into the office and we will present them to Ron along with his birthday

Reminder to KS2 parents, please provide your child with a pair of 'in the ear' style headphones which they could use in computing lessons and when using Ipads etc. If your child is unable to use 'in the ear' style headphones, then please feel free to supply them with an inexpensive pair of 'headband' style headphones to keep in school .

Our attendance stars this week are:

Green class with a fabulous 99.7% and 3ST with a superb 100% attendance !!!

Thank you to those parents who walked the year 1 & 5 children to the church on Thursday for their Harvest Festival celebration. We think you would all agree the children's performance was fantastic. Photos to follow on next weeks newsletter.

PAGWPS NEWS

Last few remaining tables left for the glitter ball. Saturday 24th November 2018 6.30pm - Midnight

The Rayleigh Club Hullbridge Rd, Rayleigh, SS6 9QS. £50 per person (Tables available to reserve in 8s, 10s and 12s) includes a welcome drink, 3 course meal, half a bottle of wine per person and tea / coffee.

Christmas Wreath Workshop



This year Courts the Florist will be holding a wreath making workshop in our sports hall. It will take place on the 6th December at 6.30pm. Costing £30 per person.

Price includes a glass of mulled wine and mince pie.

Tickets are limited and can be purchased at Courts the Florist.

Coins For Cash

After the success of last years Cash for Coins campaign PAGWPS are again asking for donations of unused foreign currency and old tender. This will be converted into pounds for the school. A donation bucket will be located in the office .

The Year 5 and 6 Hockey team went to Warners Bridge this week, to play the first Hockey match of the season against a very strong Allyn Court team. We took this opportunity to guide the team through their first competitive match and every member of the team played brilliantly. We scored an incredible team goal where out pinpoint passing allowed us to bypass the Allyn Court defence. Well done to all the team. Louie, Callum, Jack, Reiley, Archie, Alex, Liam, Daniel, Jessica, Holly-Mae, Freya, Olivia were a credit to the school.



School Car Park safety

The school car park gets very busy between 7.15am and 9am and also 2.45pm and 3.30pm. We ask those parents driving into the car park at any time (but especially for Breakfast drop off) to drive extremely slowly taking great care to look out for children, parents and staff entering and exiting their cars.

In addition we also ask parents **not** to let children move about the car park unaccompanied at any time (but especially for Breakfast drop off), please accompany your children all the way to the school doors.

All parents: please do not walk across the car park to get from the ramp by the Children's Centre to the office area and vice versa. For safety's sake please cross the front of the school by walking out of the fenced area by the Children's Centre, crossing the front of the school using the public footpath, and then back in via the pedestrian gates near the offices.

We are seeing an increasing number of parents and children crossing the car park at busy times to get from one side of the school to the other and this is becoming dangerous. Please do use the footpaths.



Music Assembly

On Tuesday a student from Belfairs school in Southend performed in a music assembly to the whole school. Sam Fraser plays guitar, sings and writes his own songs. He was accompanied by Mr Cordon, also on guitar and Gabrielle from Year 6 on drums.



We are delighted to announce that, Grove Wood Primary, have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including our Sports Crew and children officiating who have made our Intra-house competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to all the children, parents and staff at Grove Wood Primary School for making this happen. The children and parents dedication to attending staff-led extra-curricular clubs whether that be in the morning or after school. A huge thank you must go to the staff for their continual support with running the Intra-house events each half term.



As many of you will know, one of our lovely midday's Sheila Rodgers passed away earlier in the year so in memory of her, the Rainbow class organised a coffee morning for their family to raise money for Macmillan. The morning was a tremendous success and they managed to raise £80. Thank you to all who attended and ate the delicious cakes made by the children. If you would still like to make a contribution to Macmillan please give this to Mrs Davis.

Dinner Winners

The lucky winners of the prizes for Thursday's Special Lunch were:

- Blue—Alenni Alvarez—Jones
- Green—Faith Chapman
- Yellow—Rafe Crouch
- 1CA—Jamie Murray
- 1JF—Junior Frith
- 1JM—Jessica Finch
- 2EL—Harry Ratcliffe
- 2CA—Rhyleigh Hamilton—Bruce
- 2JC—Henry Sumner
- 3CS—Orla Kinsella
- 3KO—Daisy Fuller
- 3ST—Tilly—Mae Matson
- 4DS—Jacob Brown
- 4HT—Freddie Wood
- 4LW—Kelsie Yates
- 5CS—William Groves
- 5FA Oliver Church
- 5JB—James Man
- 6DP—Finn Tyrell
- 6HR—Daisy Barney
- 6MB—Bethany Day



This year we have seen a record number of children attend the year 3 & 4 football trials. Due to this next term an inter-house tournament will be arranged enabling all of the children to play a match. Keep an eye out for further details !



Data collection forms will be coming out next week. Please return the form even if there are no updates. Completed forms to be returned to the class teacher or in the pigeon hole located in the school reception area.

Children's University

Thank you to all those children who have signed up for the Children's University. The sign up form is now closed. We were pleased to welcome 27 new members this afternoon in our KS2 assembly. These children have been issued with a temporary passport until their permanent passport arrives.

I will collect in passports next Friday. Please could you help your child to count up their hours and write their total in the passport. We will then be able to award certificates after half term. As soon as we know the date of the next graduation (usually January) we will let you know.

Thank you – Mrs Smith.

