



# GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Achieving and celebrating success for all.....*

Newsletter Friday 3rd November 2017 (Issue 227 )

## Stars of the Week!



1ST	Tia Bysouth
1AS	Arleigh Rich
1JF	Thomas Smith
2G/B	Isobel Hill
2CA	Teddy D'Arcy
2EL	Louisa Holland-Martin
3DS	Daniel Murray
3F/C	Florence Hodgson
3KO	Noah Peters
4TA	Alex Fishlock
4CF	Sophie Ladejo
4LS	Harry Warner
5CS	Georgia Hall
5HR	Finn Kinsella
5HT	Aysa Whiteley
6JK	Ellis Hartopp
6DP	Callum Wyatt
6MB	Holly O'Brien

### Attendance Stars for first week of term are

**KS1...2G/B with a wonderful 100%...  
and KS2... 4T/A and 99.3%**



**WOW!—WELL DONE  
KEEP UP THE GOOD  
ATTENDANCE!**



**Play Leader of the Week—Joshua Corrigan**

## Diary Dates ....Dinner Menu B

**Tuesday 7th November** am—Selected children in the Sports Hall Athletics Event at The Deanes Tennis Centre.

**Thursday 9th November—Deadline for all entries for the Autumn Photography Competition.** Judging to be held on this day.

**Thursday 9th November**—SEND Coffee Morning—invitation only.

**Friday 10th November** am—Year 6 Remembrance Assembly to Year 5 and Parents (letter with details to come).



**Date for you Diaries**—PAGWPS' Christmas Fair will be on Friday 1st December from 3.30pm. More details will follow...

PAGWPS are now collecting donations for the Christmas Hampers. A letter with details has been emailed to parents and is on the website... This year's Halloween Party raised a fantastic grand total of **£936.32!! Thank you!!**

## AUTUMN

### Photography competition

*You are invited to join in our  
Autumn themed photography competition!*

*The subject of your photograph can be anything that depicts this time of the year: conkers, fallen leaves, spiders' webs, frosty mornings etc.*

*Think carefully about what would make your photograph really stand out. Consider your use colour and light, unusual perspectives and angles, interesting compositions and unusual subjects.*

*Please print your photograph and bring it into school during the week beginning 6th November – they will be judged on THURSDAY 9th NOVEMBER with winners announced in assembly on FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER.*

*So...get outdoors and get snapping!*



On Thursday 2nd November after school our Year 6 girls netball squad played in their first ever league match against Glebe. We were very proud of the effort that all of the girls displayed throughout the game. They showed excellent determination taking a very early lead in the first quarter by two goals. The girls then went on to score another 6 goals over the next three quarters ending up with an 8-4 win! We were extremely pleased by their sportsmanship and commitment. Well done girls, fantastic result!



## Year 5 have fun at Colne Valley Railway...



Year 5 had a wonderful time at Colne Valley Railway recently being Victorians for the day. We watched a Punch and Judy show, danced along to a traditional fairground organ, learnt about medicine in Victorian times, spent time being taught in a Victorian classroom and even went on a real steam train where we got to meet Queen Victoria herself! We all had lots of fun!

## Sainsburys School Games Update....

Before half term saw the first of many different Intra-house competitions but this week the Grove Wood Table Tennis teams battled against each other in a very closely fought tournament to see who would represent the school at the County Table Tennis competition. Rather strangely, this year Grove Wood were the only school to enter the Table Tennis competition so we decided to enter four teams to give 32 children the opportunity to represent their school and battle it out for a chance to go onto the county finals. All the children have been training hard over the last few weeks



and have really shown a huge improvement which was clearly evident in the tournament. Well done everyone.

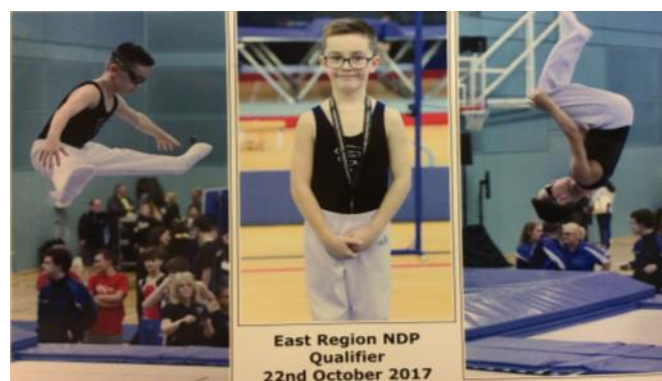
However, there had to be a winning boys and girls team. Therefore, a huge well done needs to go to Ben H, Lester W, Ellis H and Jamie L who won the Table Tennis Team competition in the boys section. Joining them will be Olivia W, Amelia K, Darcy C and Jasmine L who won the girls section. Next on the the Sainsburys School Games calendar for Intra-house games will be Badminton .



Before Half Term, Parents and Carers had a lovely time as they joined in with Reception's Diwali celebrations..



Well done to Callum in Year 5 who came third in his first ever Regional trampolining competition in Cambridge! Callum, who first took up the sport just a year ago performed 2 routines to gain his bronze medal—a fantastic achievement!





# Grove Wood Primary School

## Prospective Parents Open Evening



Grove Road, Rayleigh SS6 8UA Tel: 01268 743445 [www.grovewoodprimary.co.uk](http://www.grovewoodprimary.co.uk)



**Thursday 16th November  
6.00pm — 8.00pm**

**No need to book, simply come along and have a  
look at everything that we have to offer**



### **Additional dates for visits**

**Tuesday 21st November 9.30am  
Thursday 23rd November 1.30pm  
Monday 27th November 1.30pm  
Wednesday 29th November 9.30am  
Friday 1st December 9.30am**

**Come along to our free, informal, fun course for parents!**

**Parentalk - The Primary Years**

**Session 1** It's not just me - Sharing how hard it can be sometimes as a parent helps us to realise that it's not "just me" feeling this or facing these challenges. We all find parenting hard at times, there is no instruction manual!

**Session 2** Love them and let them know - for children to really thrive they need to know that they are loveable, that they are valued and that they are safe - this session helps us to think about the different ways we can help our children feel reassured that they are loved and valued, whether it is with conversation, practical help or just a cuddle.

**Session 3** It's good to talk - how to talk so our children will listen - and practicing "being there" for our children.

**Session 4** Boundaries and Battles - and how to choose them. This session will help look at behaviour and what triggers it and also how to be consistent - but flexible!

**Session 5 - Parenting with elastic** - Considering how to encourage independence in the way that is right for our children and at the time that is right too. We will also think about how the parental role changes from control, to care, to counsel.

**Session 6** Creating a sense of belonging - helping your child feel part of the bigger picture within your family - creating the "relationship glue" by way of shared memories, traditions and fun. This all goes towards building stronger relationships to help during any tricky times.

**Tuesdays 1.00pm - 2.30pm**

**31<sup>st</sup> October, 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November, 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**To book your place or for further information please contact**

**Julie or Jan at [families@megacentrerayleigh.co.uk](mailto:families@megacentrerayleigh.co.uk) or ring 01268 779100  
extension 1029**

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# **BLENHEIM'S** **FIREWORK SPECTACULAR**

School Way, Blenheim Chase, Leigh on Sea 01702 474684

## **FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER**

Gates open at 6pm

Display starts at 7:30pm\*

*Refreshments and other entertainment  
will commence from 6pm*

**Advance tickets are available from the School Reception**

**Adults**

£4.50 in advance (£5.00 on the gate)  
16 years and over

**Children**

£2.50 in advance (£3.00 on the gate)  
5-15 years

**Under 5s FREE**

*Organisers reserve the right to refuse admission*

*\*Please note the display start time may differ slightly dependant on air traffic changes on the day*



PAGWPS



PRESENTS...

# Glitter Ball

DJ   Raffle   Private pay bar

Saturday 25th November 2017  
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.

Dress to impress - smart attire, no jeans.



# Christmas Craft *and* Gift Fair

Sunday 19th November 2017  
10.30am until 4.00pm

Mill Hall, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh  
(Free parking)

- Craft & Gift Stalls
- Santa
- In Aid of Special Care Baby Unit

£1.50 adults, children under 16 free



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£25 per Child, Including Gift from Father Christmas

(Maximum of 60 children per day)

£5 per Adult, Includes Hot Drink

Arrive at 11am till approx. 2pm

**FATHER CHRISTMAS TO ARRIVE BY PLANE TO GREET THE CHILDREN AND REINDEER -  
DECORATE GINGERBREAD MEN - MAKE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS -  
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