



# GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

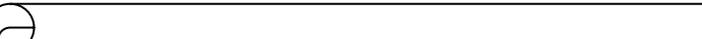
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## Stars of the Week!



- ★ 1ST Harry Ratcliffe
- ★ 1AS Harrison Bishop
- ★ 1JF Jack Hardy
- ★ 2G/B Daisy Fuller
- ★ 2CA Lauren Joslin
- ★ 2EL Max Groves
- ★ 3DS Ellie Quinton
- ★ 3F/C Oliver Simms
- ★ 3KO Isabelle Stanley
- ★ 4TA Abbie-Mae Tonge
- ★ 4CF Alex Thrussell
- ★ 4LS Riley O'Carroll
- ★ 5CS Freddy Fink
- ★ 5HR Bethany Day
- ★ 5HT Abbie Ringer
- ★ 6JK Whole Class
- ★ 6DP Whole Class



### Attendance Stars for first week of term are

KS1...2CA .. and KS2... 3F/C, 4LS and 6MB  
all with a Fantastic 100%

**WOW!—WELL DONE**

**KEEP UP THE GOOD**

**ATTENDANCE!**



### Diary Dates ....Dinner Menu A

**Monday 20th November**—Year 3 Roald Dahl Story Teller in/Come dressed in Roald Dahl dress.

**Tuesday 21st November** 9.30am—Prospective Parents Guided Tour of the School.

**Wednesday 22nd November**—Reception Enterprise afternoon/RTC Christmas Colouring Competition closing date.

**Wednesday 22nd November—am** Year 5 in Essex Folk Music Project at Fitzwimarc School.

**Thursday 23rd November—Deadline for all Christmas Dinner orders.**

**Thursday 23rd November** 1.30pm—Prospective Parents Guided Tour of the School/ **pm**—Selected Girls in home football fixture vs Edward Francis Primary School—ko 2.40pm.

**FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER—NON PUPIL DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Saturday 25th November—PAGWPS Glitter Ball 6.30-12pm at the Rayleigh Club.**

## Primary School Admissions

Parents of children born during the period 1 September 2013 to 31 August 2014 can apply for primary school places between 13 November 2017 and 15 January 2018.



Apply online at [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions)



**Sporting News....**The Grove Wood **dodgeball team** took part in a District Competition at the Deanes School this week. The tournament consisted of 21 teams of which 2 were Grove Wood. Both teams made it through their groups and met in the quarter-finals. It was Grove 1 that were victorious and went on to meet Glebe in the semi-final. Unfortunately, Grove 1 lost this very tight



match to the eventual winners of the competition. All of the children did Grove Wood proud. They worked hard, played brilliantly as a team and were incredibly sporting in a competition that is very difficult to win.



**Table Tennis Regional Competition....** This week our table tennis teams travelled to BATTs Table Tennis Club in Harlow to compete in the regional finals. Both teams competed admirably and the boys managed to achieve a bronze medal and the girls came 8th overall in Essex. Well done!



**Reminders....**The **Flu immunisation nasal spray** is available for **ALL** year groups as the school was included in the former pilot scheme. Please ensure that you complete, sign and return **ALL** Flu Immunisation forms (even to decline your child's participation) to the foyer post box by **Thursday 23rd November** as Friday 24th is a Non-Pupil Day.

**PAGWPS** still need lots more **donations for the Christmas hampers** together with wrapped sweets, bottles, teddies and unwanted, unwrapped gifts for the children's tombola.

If you have any spare football kit that you no longer need—boots, shin pads, socks etc. please consider donating them to the school to be used as spares or for after school clubs.

We are noticing an increase in the number of items coming in late which are needed for the children's day at school. To minimise class disruptions, we ask you to encourage your child to **check with the office at break and lunchtimes only** to see if late items have been dropped off.

If you have any requests or queries about Breakfast or After School Club on **Wednesdays**, please ensure you **speak to a member of staff** on that day. Please do not leave messages on the clubs line as Mrs Davis is not in on Wednesdays.



**Reception children go to the**

**Ball....**princesses, knights, kings and queens all had a magical time on Tuesday as they got to meet Cinderella at the this year's Ball.



**Play Buddy of the Week... Ami Hines**  
**Play Leader of the Week is Tom Rixon**

# 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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# RAYLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

## Christmas Colouring Competition 2017

Switch on event 30th November 2017 4.00pm until 6.30pm



Name:

School:

Age Group (please circle):    0-5                      6-8                      9-11

**\*\*Closing Date for entries is Wednesday 22nd November\*\***



**RAYLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL  
PRESENTS**



**THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT 2017**

**SWITCH ON 6.30PM**

**BY**

**BBC ESSEX PRESENTERS**

**STEVE SCRUTON & IAN WYATT**

**SOUTHEND UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB**



**THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER**

**RAYLEIGH HIGH STREET**

**4.00PM – 6.30PM**

**REGGIE MANUS (LOCAL SINGER)**

**SINGING FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS SONGS**

**Town Crier**

**Mushroom Theatre Company**

**Christmas Stalls**

**Children's Rides**

**School Choirs**

**Roasted Chestnuts**

**Food Stalls**

**Father Christmas**

**Holy Trinity Church Christmas Tree Festival & Puppet Show**

**MAIN SPONSORS**

**Marco's Bar**

**Rayleigh Chamber of Trade**

**Palmers Solicitors**



# RAYLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

**THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2017**

HIGH STREET WILL BE CLOSED FROM CROWN HILL  
BETWEEN 1.45PM – 9.00PM

## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

STAGE ENTERTAINMENT	APPROXIMATE TIME
GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.00 - 4.10
WYBURNS PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.10 - 4.20
RAYLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.25 - 4.35
BBC ESSEX ON STAGE FROM	4.35
DOWN HALL PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.35 - 4.45
ST. NICHOLAS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.50 - 5.00
EDWARD FRANCIS PRIMARY SCHOOL	5.00 - 5.10
GLEBE PRIMARY SCHOOL	5.15 - 5.25
MUSHROOM THEATRE COMPANY	5.25 - 5.35
THE SWEYNE PARK SCHOOL	5.40 - 5.50
THE FITZWIMARC SCHOOL	5.50 - 6.00
REGGIE MANUS	6.05 - 6.20
PRESENTATION OF PRIZES	6.20
LIGHTS ON - LIVE WITH BBC ESSEX & SOUTHEND UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB	6.30

TOILETS AT MILL HALL ARTS & EVENTS CENTRE, CROWN HILL,  
THE PAVILION IN THE KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD & PINK  
TOOTHBRUSH ARE OPEN THROUGHOUT THE EVENING.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILDREN WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES.

LOST CHILDREN REPORT TO STAGE.

TAXIS FROM BELLINGHAM LANE BY HSBC, BELLINGHAM  
LANE BY WI HALL & AT THE FRONT OF HOLY TRINITY  
CHURCH.

EXTRA PUBLIC PARKING AT FAIRVIEW  
PLAYING FIELD CAR PARK

NOTICES ON BUS STOPS FOR CHANGES  
TO BUS SERVICES

ST JOHN AMBULANCE IN BUS BAY OPPOSITE STAGE.



# **\*\*Reminder of the year group request for PAGWPS Hamper Donations\*\***



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Parents Association of Grove Wood Primary School

Charity number 1094801

Christmas Hamper Donations

On the 1<sup>st</sup> December is our annual Christmas Fair. Many of you may remember our hamper raffle from last year. Children brought in donations which enabled PAGWPS to create some pretty impressive hampers. Your donations helped us raise nearly £400 on our hamper raffle alone.

To ensure we have a variety of items in our hampers we request that each year group donate items from the list below:

## **Reception children – Anything Cadbury's**

Selection boxes, bars of chocolate, hot chocolate, tubs, tubes, bags of Cadbury products, Santa's, anything remotely Cadbury's, etc.

## **Year 1 – Christmas savoury items & store cupboard times**

Crackers, chutneys, sauces pickles, olives, stuffing, brandy butter, goose fat, twiglets, cheese straws, breadstick, nuts, custard, tea, chocolate spoons, coffee, Christmas puddings, and jarred dip, Shortbread, boxed biscuits, pretzels, sharing bags of crisps, cookies, gingerbread products, etc.

## **Year 2 – Mars Products & Nestle Products**

KitKat, smarties, yorkie, milky bar, toffee crisp, aero, matchmakers, quality street, crunch, milky way, skittles, m&m's, snickers, Twix, bounty, revels, maltesers, etc.

## **Year 3 – Sweets**

Tubes, boxes or packets any sweets, candy canes, Turkish delight, marshmallow, fudge, toffee, retro sweets, selection sweet boxes, lollies, etc.

## **Year 4 – Cakes**

Pre packed cakes, mince pies, yule log, Mr Kipling festive cakes, Christmas cake, Christmas puddings etc

## **Year 5 & 6– Galaxy**

Anything galaxy, Bars, hot chocolate, minstrels, ripple, selection boxes, kisses, counters etc

Last year we also had a few donations of wines, champagnes and spirits which really added a nice touch to some of the 'luxury' hampers, if you are feeling especially generous and would like to donate an extra special item we would be very grateful.

Please bring your donations to the school office, no later than Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November to allow time for hamper construction. We ask that you check the 'best before' dates of your donations and, on this occasion, we cannot accept homemade items.

**FREE ENTRANCE  
EVERYONE WELCOME**



**FRIENDS OF GROVE WOOD  
CHRISTMAS FAIR**

**FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2017**

**3:15 – 6.00**

**BBQ REFRESHMENTS**

**STALLS TOMBOLAS**

**RAFFLE FACE PAINTING**

**REINDEER**

**CHRISTMAS MARKET STALLS**

**FATHER CHRISTMAS IN HIS GROTTA**

**Look forward to seeing you there**