



GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achieving and celebrating success for all.....

Newsletter Friday 23rd March 2018 (Issue 240)

Stars of the Week!



Blue Class	Annaliese Cuthbert/ Charlotte Coombs
Green Class	Millie Humphries/ Amy Freeman
Yellow Class	Ronnie Stringer/ Junior Frith
1ST	Harry Carr
1AS	Jake Fahey
1JF	Ollie Brown
2G/B	George James
2CA	Amelia Bryan
2EL	Maison O'Carroll
3DS	Elizabeth Thrussell
3F/C	Harrison Woollard
3KO	Libby Marjorum
4TA	Alanna Norris
4CF	Sunee Seaton
4LS	Kali Phipps
5CS	James Tunbridge
5HR	Annabel Blackmore
5HT	Hannah Blows
6JC	Lucy Mates
6DP	Joshua Corrigan
6MB	Elisa-May Robinson

Diary Dates **Change of Dinner Menu**

Monday 26th March—1.30pm—selected children in Rayleigh Town Council General Knowledge Quiz.

Monday 26th March—1.45pm—Rescheduled Year 2 Maths and English Workshop.

Tuesday 27th March—1.45pm—Growth Mindset Parent Workshop.

Tuesday 27th March—3.30ko—selected girls in away Football match vs. Riverside Primary.

Wednesday 28th March—10am—selected children in Music Assembly in Sports Hall.

Wednesday 28th March—Year 6 Bug Man!

Thursday 29th March—Year 4 Wizard of Oz Production.

Thursday 29th March—1.30pm Rec Easter Egg Hunt—siblings may attend.

Thursday 29th March—Year 6 Drama Club Trip to School of Rock. **LAST DAY OF TERM**

BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY 16TH APRIL 2018

Attendance Stars for last week are

KS1...2CA

and KS2... 3DS both with 99.7%

WELL DONE!



It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of a member of our Board of Governors, Adam Brigden, on Friday 2nd March. Adam joined our Board of Governors in 2014 and was a highly valued member of our team. He gave generously of his time and energy and was a passionate supporter of our school. As a result of his efforts he enabled us to achieve funding from Ford to set up the Green Power Racing programme which is enjoyed by our Year 6 pupils. Adam will be sadly missed and he will leave a lasting impression on all of us who were fortunate to work alongside him. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this very difficult time.

On Friday 16th March Grove Wood, hoped to make history by being the first side in the schools history to make the Parish cup semi-finals, an Essex and East London 9-a-side competition. They met St Mary's of Shenfield in the quarter finals, who had been unbeaten all season, which made the match a very close contest. Few chances were created in the first half, but as the match progressed it was clear that the boys organisation and concentration would be key in keeping them in the match. Excellent defending from several key players was integral in giving the team encouragement to push on in the second half. A late chance was created through positive play and subsequently converted by Lester W. The boys managed to hold on to their narrow lead, finally taking them through to a historical match up with Brentwood Prep in the semi final.



A team of four hard working mathematicians recently attended the **EES Maths Competition** last week at Wyburns Primary. They had to work together to try and solve some challenging maths problems that included algebra, ratio and proportion, co-ordinates and a logical following of clues task. The worked brilliantly together while working under short time constraints. It was a fantastic afternoon and they all said that by the end of the competition, they had learnt to trust each other's judgement more. Well done Anisha J, Jake O, Amy W and Ben J!



Personal Sports Challenge 1 is now live on our School website. This is a really fun and easy way to get involved in sport as a family. Get yourselves involved! Watch Mr Benson and the Year 6 Sports Crew demonstrate this week's challenge of throw and catch by going to the link [http://](http://www.groveswoodprimary.co.uk/sports/personal-challenge)

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The challenges are set every 2 weeks and will get harder each time. Send in your videos of the highest level of completed challenge together with name and class via email to gwpspersonalchallenge@groveswood.essex.sch.uk. We aim to post some entries on the school website.

This challenge is all about setting and achieving personal goals. Medals and certificates will be given out on completion. Good luck with the challenges and we look forward to seeing your clips.

 Year 6 Mud Club are selling pots of daffodils and pairs of planted wellies after school on Monday and Wednesday of next week for £1.00 each - All proceeds will go back into their business and be used grow produce that will be on sale in the Summer term.

The Tri-golf team were involved in their competition this week and performed brilliantly. Ten children from year 6 travelled to Garon Park Golf Club in Southend to take on the putting and chipping challenges on offer. The children putted phenomenally and were able to pick up plenty of points in four of the challenges. In one challenge, the team amassed an incredible 109 points! The chipping was a little more challenging but the team improved throughout the competition. By the end of the competition, the team had totalled an amazing 261 points! Well done to Ollie S, Archie N, Ellis H, Liam D, Blaine S, Chloe J, Charlie S, Lizzie N, Jasmine L and Anisha J!



Sport Relief Scooters. During our PE lessons, we used our scooters to practice our scooter skills and we also completed a scooter mini marathon. This

was part of our whole school Sports Relief week. It was great fun!



Thinking of trying a new sport?See our Club Links.

Interested in fencing?...check out www.littlemusketeers.com

and for youth football visit Rayleigh Boys and Girls YFC at www.rayleighfc.org.uk



MENU C W/C 26TH MARCH 2018

MONDAY 26 th March	TUESDAY 27 th March	WEDNESDAY 28 th March	THURSDAY 29 th March	FRIDAY
Local Butchers Chicken Chunks in a Southern Fried Coating	Pasta Day, Spaghetti with a choice of Homemade Sauces Pepperoni & Tomato Carbonara	Homemade Bolognese served With Nachos	Beef Burger in a Bun	Non pupil day
Cheese Quiche	Spaghetti Served Homemade Tomato Sauce	Quern Dippers with Homemade Tomato Sauce	Veggie Burger in a bun	
Potato Wedges Carrot Batons BBQ Sauce Assorted Salads	Garlic Bread Sweet corn Assorted Salads	Whole Grain & White Rice Broccoli Assorted Salads	Chunky Chips Baked Beans Sweet Corn Assorted Salads	
Waffles served with Apple & Toffee Sauce Fresh Cut Fruit Yoghurts	Arctic Roll Fresh Cut Fruit Organic Fruit Yoghurts	Apple Crumble & Custard Fresh Cut Fruit Organic Fruit Yoghurt	Easter Cakes Fresh Cut Fruits Organic Fruit Yoghurt	

The School Council are having a Cake Sale in the KS2 Playground after school on Wednesday 28th March in aid of new School Council Projects.

Please bring all Cake Donations, bought or home-made into class on

Wednesday

Many thanks



Egg-cellent Easter Hat Competition 2018!

Grove Wood children are once again invited to join in our Egg-citing Easter hat competition! Your hat/bonnet needs to be based on the theme of Easter but can be made from whatever craft materials you like - the more Egg-streme and Egg-stravagant the better!

Eggs-tra Challenges!

How tall or wide can you make it?

Can you make everything 'from scratch'??

Can it have moving parts??

PRIZES GALORE for the most Egg-ceptional headwear!

Please bring your creations into school during the last week of this term - judging will take place on Wednesday 28th March and the entries will be displayed in school.



A great day for all the family!

Dirty Dancing



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FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 16th June

Time: 12-3pm

**GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Rayleigh, Essex SS6 8UA**

£4.00 Adults

£1.50 Children

**(All entry tickets
will receive a raffle ticket)**

**Plus Zorbing, Giant Skipping, Stalls
Food and Refreshments and much more...**

**Live
Singer
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Jive**

**Dirty
Dancing
Lessons**

**Bouncy
Castle**

**Giant
Hungry
Hippo**

**Tickets available from Saskia Marklew - 07947 200213
or tickets can be purchased on the day**

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Parentalk

THE PRIMARY YEARS

Come along to a free course for parents of primary school age children

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.

Fridays 1pm – 2.30pm

20th & 27th April and 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th May

For more information or to book your place please contact

Julie or Jan at families@megacentrerayleigh.co.uk or ring 01268 779100



Parentalk

THE TEENAGE YEARS

a free course for parents of teenagers (or soon to be teenagers!)

Session 1 Understanding your teenager – the teenage years can be a time of transition and turmoil for teenagers. They are going through huge changes, physically, emotionally and mentally and as parents it can be tough and challenging – but we're all in the same boat!

Session 2 Stay connected – teenagers can seem as though they want to withdraw from family life, but it is important to stay connected and maintain open lines of communication – even though we can feel taken for granted as a taxi service or butler.

Session 3 Identity – our teens have so many pressures on them, from all sorts of directions, it can be hard to keep up with their world. We need to try and understand how it is for them so we can help them develop healthy self-esteem and discover who they really are.

Session 4 Communication and conflict – it is normal for parents and their teens to find it hard to communicate with each other, the trick is to find a way that works for you! Choose your battles, practice negotiation, set realistic consequences and follow through with sanctions

Session 5 Big pressures – good choices – try to understand the big pressures on your teen – alcohol, sex, drugs, bullying – there is a lot of pressure on them to grow up fast – but they do take notice of us as parents believe it or not (even if they say they don't!)

Session 6 Creating a sense of belonging – letting go of our teenagers can be hard, but that is what we need to do to enable them to grow and flourish as independent adults. We have to allow them to make mistakes and learn from them.

Tuesdays 7pm – 8.30pm

17th & 24th April and 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd May

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Parentalk is about
helping mums and dads
do the best job they can

Covers essential topics for parents

Parentalk

THE PRIMARY YEARS

Thursdays 9.30-11.30am

22nd February;


1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March

Parish Centre

No cost

cara.parker@parishofrayleigh.org.uk



 **parishofrayleigh** www.careforthefamily.org.uk

TEN PIECes

GET CREATIVE WITH
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Every child a musician

Orchestral Day!

Are you learning an orchestral instrument?

Would you like to play in an orchestra?

Come and work with top professionals from the
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Thursday 12th April 2018

9:30am - 4:30pm

St. Mary's Prittlewell C of E Primary School,
Boston Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 6JH

To book visit
www.musiconseasouthend.co.uk



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Daws Heath Road, Thundersley, SS7 2TD

Early Club (Optional) - 8-10am (£4)

Main Activity - 10-3pm (£15)

After Activity Club - 3-6pm (£6)

Activities are coached by highly qualified School Sport Professionals.

Full itinerary of activities provided on the back page of this leaflet.

10% Discount for all sibling bookings.

For more information & to book/pay please visit -

www.deanessportscentre.com

Centre Opening Hours

Monday-Friday — 3-10pm

Weekends — 8-6pm

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TUESDAY

4-6PM WATERSIDE LEISURE CENTRE
(12-19 YR OLDS)

5:30-7:30PM ST THOMAS MORE
(8-11 YR OLDS)

WEDNESDAY

5:30-7PM KING EDMUND SCHOOL
(12-19 YR OLDS)

THURSDAY

4-6PM WATERSIDE LEISURE CENTRE
(12-19 YR OLDS)

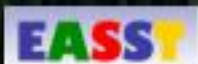
FRIDAY

5:30-7:30PM PLAYFOOTBALL.NET
(12-19 YR OLDS)

5-7PM CLEMENTS HALL
(12-19 YR OLDS)



For more information call
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The Deanes Sports Centre
Daws Heath Road • Thundersley
Essex • SS7 2TD

General Manager- Samuel Wood
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Email: dscmanager@outlook.com

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Deanes Lawn Tennis Centre – Free Open Day

I would like to invite your son/daughter to attend a “free” open day tennis session at Deanes LTC delivered by our fully qualified coaches.

There are two sessions available details of which are below.

Session 1	Sunday 25 th March	10.00am-10.45am
Session 2	Sunday 25 th March	11.00-11.45am

To reserve a session please email thedeanesltc@outlook.com and provide the following details.

1. Session 1 or Session 2
2. Name of child
3. Date of birth
4. Medical Conditions
5. Emergency contact number
6. Name of school

There are limited spaces on these sessions and therefore if you are interested in your son/daughter taking part, please contact me **before 23rd March.**

Your son/daughter will not need any equipment as we will provide this on the day. However, they will need to wear appropriate clothing/footwear for tennis.

Once you have requested your session I will email confirmation. If the session you have requested is fully booked, I will offer you an alternate.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Will Roberts
Deanes LTC Tennis Co-ordinator



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SCHOOL

