



# GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Newsletter Friday 27th April 2018 (Issue 243)

## Stars of the Week!

Blue Class	Sonny Smith/ Rosie Simpson
Green Class	Tilly Griffiths/ Gracie Turner
Yellow Class	Dexter Knight Rosie Simpson
1ST	Rhys Spiller
1AS	Oliver Loxton
1JF	Harry Sullivan
2G/B	Hayden Hards
2CA	Oliver Beckett
2EL	Tyler Brian
3DS	Joshua Haase
3F/C	Austin Tutt
3KO	Brooke Russell
4TA	Noah Hayes
4CF	Chloe Harris
4LS	Rowan Bisgrove
5CS	James Hodge
5HR	Max Dockrill
5HT	Evie Coleman
6JC	Skye Peters
6DP	Ben Hoskins
6MB	Dylan Stone

## Diary Dates .... Dinner Menu C

**Monday 30th April—Thursday 3rd May—Year 4 at Kent Residential Trip.**

**Tuesday 1st May**—Reception height and weight checks.

**Thursday 3rd May**—Year 6 Discovery Event at the Fitzwimarc School—3.45-5.45pm.

**Friday 4th May**— 9.10-10.30am Year 6 Parent coffee morning in the Family Learning Room. This will offer advice/support for SATS and the transition to Secondary School. Representatives from The Fitzwimarc and Sweyne Park School will be in attendance to answer any questions.

**Monday 7th May—BANK HOLIDAY**

**SCHOOL CLOSED**



You will be aware that Ron the Lollipop Man has returned to duty following his recent absence – he tells us he is now feeling much better and has missed being at the school crossing. He will also be away on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018, therefore there will be no crossing patrol on this day.

## Well Done.....Grove

Wood recently took part in the Rayleigh Town Council Quiz and finished as runners up being narrowly beaten by Rayleigh Primary. Some participants were nominated for their individual performance and we are pleased to announce that Rachel in Year 6 won the Best Individual Student award with her specialised subject ancient history and geography.



## Important - Online payments system

From the end of April the School's Scopay system will no longer accept online payments from devices using Windows XP or Windows Vista. This change is due to data processing compliance and is the same for all online payment systems (not just Scopay).

## Attendance Stars for last week are

**KS1...1ST and 2CA and  
and KS2... 5HT, 6JK and 6DP all with a  
fantastic 100% - WELL DONE!**





Well done to Michael in Year 5 who took part in his first outdoor archery competition for Rayleigh Town Archery Club recently and won a bronze medal after coming third. He had to shoot 30 yards which was a first for him—Well done!! Michael trains every week at Westwood Academy in Basildon and if you are interested in getting involved why not contact Rayleigh Town Archery Club by visiting their website on <http://rayleightownarcheryclub.com>.



**Rayleigh Town Archery Club**



A friendly, open club with a diverse membership of all ages (8+), interests and abilities. **Westwood Academy: Tuesday nights Junior session 7-8pm, Adult session 8-9.15pm.**

Qualified [coaches](#) run regular Try Outs and Beginner's Courses throughout the year where the emphasis is on safety, fun and competence.



**ANYONE CAN SHOOT GOLD!  
WE'RE HERE TO HELP - WHY  
NOT COME ALONG & TRY?**

The County Tag Rugby competition finally took place this week with the Grove Wood Team eager to build on their success from the district competition some weeks ago. The team had been busy training in the build up to the competition on Tuesday where they faced the top schools from across Essex. They performed brilliantly! The target for the day was to win more games than last year and they certainly did that. In the first round, the team were victorious in two games and lost in two games. However, this took them through to the Super 10's for the first time in Grove Wood history. The Super 10's was much tougher; however, Grove Wood stepped up their performances and drew the first two games. We came up against one of the favourites of the competition and battled well but unfortunately, the team lost 3-1. We won the last game with the best performance of the day, but unfortunately, we were 1 try short of making the semi-final.



The team played brilliantly throughout the entire day and showed a really togetherness in victory but also in defeat. Well done team!

### **Choir at Rayleigh Library**

On Thursday afternoon the Year 3 and 4 choir sang at Rayleigh Library. They were joined by some of the Year 5 choir who also attend the club and support the singing. A number of parents and grandparents attended the event and were treated to a variety of songs including a cartoon medley which brought back memories of their childhood! This is the first time we have taken Years 3 and 4 to sing outside of school, Mrs Tunbridge and Mrs Snoxall were really proud of the children who sang and behaved beautifully!



Congratulations to the Year 3/4 and 5/6 Tennis teams. What an amazing effort at the Castle Point, Rayleigh and Rochford tennis competition. The children in both year groups won all of their pool round matches and progressed through as group winners to the semi-finals. Through hard work and determination both the year 3/4 and 5/6 teams WON!! Mr Seaman was very proud of all of the children at the event as they not only achieved a fantastic result, but they showed brilliant sportsmanship by shaking hands and congratulating other teams.

Well done to Lester who won the year 6 boys Essex County Cross Country finals at Hadleigh Park last Friday and to Jessica who came 7th in the year 4 race. Great effort!

**Polite request**—Please ensure that children do not play or swing on the new black gates by the KS1 classrooms at any time as we do not want any children to get hurt.

Thank you for all the fantastic entries for Personal Challenge 1 from across the school. The children really seem to be enjoying the challenges and receiving their much deserved certificates. Keep sending in those entries and keep an eye out to see if your video is posted. Good luck. The link below shows the entries that we have chosen to publish from Challenge 1.  
<http://grovewoodschool.sites.schooljotter2.com/sports/personal-challenge/childrens-entries>

Personal Challenge 3 (Skipping) goes live today. See <http://www.grovewoodprimary.co.uk/sports/personal-challenge>

**Play Buddy of the Week—Noah Marklew**

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27<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

If you would like to order a personalised leavers' hoody to commemorate your child's time at Grove Wood Primary school please following the link below \*

The design for the hoody is the year of leaving, with all of the children's names contained within the numbers on the back of the hoody with the school name and logo on the front left breast.

**Cost:** £14.00 for junior sizes 9/11 yrs & 12/13yrs  
£16.00 for senior sizes S & M

**Colours:** Royal Blue  
Fire Red  
Purple  
Heather (Grey)  
(Please follow the link to the website to view the colours and sizing)



### HOW TO ORDER:

\*Visit <http://www.pbuniformonline.com/grove-wood-primary-school-c615> or search online for Price & Buckland and follow the prompts to find Grove Wood Primary School.

Once on the dedicated school page, you will need to register.

You will then receive an email with your registration details and a password. Please follow the email instructions to complete your order.

*N.B Once on our dedicated school page please click on the hoody photo to view sizing information and further details.*

**ORDERS:** Order must be placed by no later than Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018.  
Please note they will not be able to accept orders after this date.  
(No refunds will be given for these pre-printed garments)

**DELIVERY: THE HOODIES WILL BE DELIVERED IN BULK TO THE SCHOOL.**

If you have any queries, please contact Price & Buckland direct. Thank you  
Yours sincerely

Mr. R Green  
Head teacher

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# Half Term Fun! Kite Making

Monday 28 & Tuesday 29 May  
10am-12pm & 1pm-4pm



**Make a kite to fly in the park! Alternative easy kite art for 3-5 years  
£3.50 per child aged 3-16, adults and under 3's go free!**

**No need to book in advance, just turn up and pay in the onsite café  
Last tickets sold at 3.30pm**

**Coalhouse Fort, East Tilbury RM18 8PB**


**Contact: [CoalHouseEnquiries@thurrock.gov.uk](mailto:CoalHouseEnquiries@thurrock.gov.uk) or call 01375 842 306 for further information.**

**Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times**



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Dear Parent

**Little Musketeers at Grove Wood Primary School – Summer Term 2018 – Years 1-6**

Little Musketeers is an exciting club offering a fun, safe and educational environment for young children to learn the sport of fencing. What child has not grown up pretending to be a swashbuckling pirate, a duelling Musketeer, or even the master of swordplay himself, Zorro? Why do they do it? Because it's fun!

Little Musketeers provide bright coloured foam and plastic foils and plastic masks with mesh visors that are safe and yet hard enough to give children the real feel of fencing. Visors are worn at all times giving peace of mind as well as that genuine fencing experience.

Little Musketeers classes are designed and run by Olympic fencer and 4 times British National Champion James Beevers. All staff have enhanced CRB clearance and are trained personally by James.

Following successful courses for all classes we would now like to run two further courses for the Summer Term 2018 as follows:

**KS1 – Tuesdays BEFORE school – 1 May – 17 July 2018 – 8.00am – 8.45am - £35**

**KS2 - Tuesdays AFTER school – 1 May – 17 July 2018 – 3.15pm – 4.15pm - £45**

**(PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES ON 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018)**

If you would like your child to sign up for this course please complete the return slip below to the school office as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

James Beevers  
Director

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**LITTLE MUSKETEERS FENCING CLUB – GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

I would like to sign my child up for the Little Musketeers Summer Term 2018 clubs:

**KS1 AM CLUB £35    ☐    KS2 PM CLUB £45    ☐**

Child Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



☐ I enclose payment for ☐ £35.00 / ☐ £45.00 made payable to Duel Fitness Ltd





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Starts 7th April 2018 and then every Saturday from 10.30am -11.30am @ The Warren, Old London Road, Rawreth SS11 8UE.

School years 1-4 (under 6 - under 9) age group welcome! Just £3 per session!

Those attending our #SSEWildcats sessions for 10 weeks or more will receive a free Academy training shirt, shorts & socks

Contact Shane on 07790 938009 or email: [generalmanager@academysoccer.co.uk](mailto:generalmanager@academysoccer.co.uk)



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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  
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Lessons**

**Bouncy  
Castle**

**Giant  
Hungry  
Hippo**

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

**Design by [www.northsouthdesign.co.uk](http://www.northsouthdesign.co.uk)**

# 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**

**20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> April and 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> May**

**For more information or to book your place please contact**

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## 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**

**17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

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