



GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achieving and celebrating success for all.....

Newsletter Friday 11th May 2018 (Issue 245)

Stars of the Week!

Blue Class	Amber White/ Myla Faulkner
Green Class	Jake Fitzpatrick/ Molly Risberg
Yellow Class	Lucas Day/ Freya Koppit
1ST	Stanley O'Connor
1AS	Maisy Macmahon
1JF	Vinnie Southgate
2G/B	Anastasia Jones
2CA	Lacey Dawkins-Perry
2EL	Charlotte White
3DS	Georgia Strickland
3F/C	Spencer Tibbenham/ Harrison Woollard
3KO	Isla Hardy
4TA	Whole Class
4CF	Whole Class
4LS	Whole Class
5CS	Abigail Simms
5HR	Gabrielle Howard
5HT	Amber Salisbury
6JC	Archie Holland-Twydell
6DP	Jack Warren
6MB	Jack Minney

Personal Challenge Challenge 2 and 3 videos of the children are now live. A special mention goes to Freya Beattie who managed to complete the KS2 Platinum 'Double Under' challenge. New challenge has now been uploaded to the website. To get involved follow the link.
<http://www.grovetwoodprimary.co.uk/sports/personal-challenge>



Diary Dates Dinner Menu B

Thursday 17th May—ko 3.30pm. Selected Girls in away football match vs Wyburns Primary.

Thursday 17th May—Children's Special Menu

Friday 18th May—am—Finals Day

Friday 18th May—Yr 6 Mad Satters Party

Friday 18th May — PAGWPS non School uniform Day.

Friday 18th May-PAGWPS Inflatables After-noon. Volunteers still needed for any time between 3.15-6pm. Any help would be much appreciated....Advance wristbands will be on sale before school Monday/Wednesday and after school on Tuesday/Thursday £5 for school children and £3 for pre-school children.

Date for the Diary... Mark Francois visit

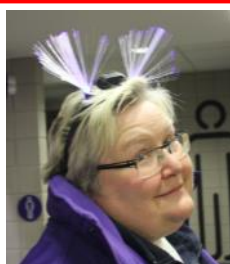
At 9.30am on Friday 8th June Mark Francois, MP for Rayleigh & Wickford, will be visiting Grove Wood Primary. If parents have any education or child-related questions that you would like us to put to Mark please email them to admin@grovetwood.essex.sch.uk.

Please note 2018/19 Inset Days 3rd, 4th January 2019, 15th February 2019, 22nd, 23rd, 24th July 2019

Attendance Stars for last week are

**KS1...Green Class with 98%
and KS2... 5HT with 99.4%**

WELL DONE!



Mrs Chase celebrated a milestone birthday this week with celebrations culminating in an outdoor assembly full of fun challenges. In true Grove Wood fashion, bottles of Cherryade were drunk and onions were eaten, but instead of the usual gunging, Mrs Chase was subjected to the Ice Bucket Challenge.



Parish Cup Final **Grove Wood 1 - 3 George Carey**

Commiserations to our boys football squad who made history by reaching the Parish Cup Under 11's Final, but narrowly missed out on being crowned winners. I would like to take this opportunity to say a few words about each player for their contributions this season: **Alex D**—made huge improvements as an all round GK and made outstanding, crucial saves this season. **Liam D**—transformed into a football player: calm, thoughtful and aggressive. **Jake A**—great contribution all round this season, never gives up and plays with a positive mindset. **Frankie S D**—big improvements across the year and is determined in all he does. **Lester W**—goal scoring nature, energetic and a true leader on the pitch. **Freddie P**—relaxed on the ball, looks for a pass and is always positive in his choices. **Noah H**—our smallest year 6 - tenacious, powerful and calm on the ball. **Ben H**—great touch and technique: clever in possession and has grown into a fighter this year. **Danny C**—pace, desire and determination shown across the season: big improvements. **Ronnie R**—creative, calm and thoughtful as a player: big improvements this year. **Fraser C**—developed as a good all-rounder this year with a wand of a left foot.



*It is coming around to that time when I will be counting up all the hours in your Children's University Passports! Please can all passports be handed to me (via your class teacher) by Wednesday 16th May. I will try to hand them back by Monday 21st May. **Late passports cannot be accepted.** If you have used up your passport and require a new one, please pay £5 via our online payment system scopay by Wednesday 16th May and a new passport will be issued. Many thanks – Miss Brooklyn*

Gymnastics Latest.. On Tuesday we took 12 children to The Deanes School to compete in a gymnastics competition. The children all performed brilliantly and represented the school superbly. You made



Miss Francis, Miss Reid and your parents very proud! We pointed our toes, had tension throughout our bodies and had a wonderful day. We came 4th in the KS1 and the KS2 event. Well done!

5Live Music in School

Last Friday Years 3,4 and 5 had the opportunity to experience live music in school. A wind quintet know as 5Live visited and played a variety of different music for us in an assembly. The children were taught a little



about each of the instruments that make up a wind quintet- the Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon and French Horn. After the assembly every child had a go at trying to make a sound on each instrument. The children were buzzing with excitement by the end of the day and many of them said that they would love to learn to play one of the instruments. Mrs Snoxall will be sending letters out later this term about Music Lessons for next year, it would be great to see more children taking up a wind instrument.



The Reception classes enjoyed an encounter with some unusual and friendly animals this morning. The children learnt more about snakes, ferrets, a bearded dragon, chameleon and some children were even brave enough to



hold a tarantula!



Play Buddy of the Week—Emmeline Franklin and Ollie Bruns

Play Leader of the Week—Jake Osbourn

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



Grove Wood Primary school
presents...



Children's Favourites Theme
Lunch on Thursday 17th May 2018

**CHICKEN BURGER
CHIKEN NUGGETS
SAUSAGE ROLL**

★★★★★

**VEGGIE BURGER
GLUTEN FREE CHICKEN
NUGGETS (PLEASE BOOK)**

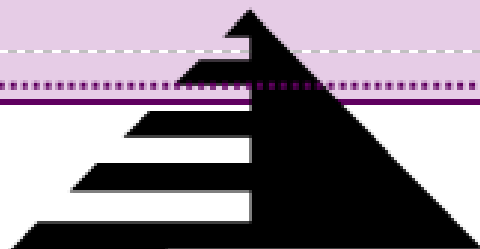
★★★★★

**FRENCH FRIES
BAKED BEANS
SWEETCORN**

★★★★★

CHOC ICE

Menu



Please order and pay online by Monday next week £2.30. Reception and children in years 1 & 2 FREE. All children having a dinner on this day will be entered into a Prize Draw. One child from each class will win a prize from Ty Beanie, Secret Life of Pets, Minecraft, Top Trumps, Science Kits and lots of other great prizes!

You've got to be in it to win it!

ARE YOU READY FOR A PAGWPS FIRST?...



SILENT DISCO

**TICKETS ONLY
£6 FROM PAGWPS**

**Sat 9th June 2018
8pm-11pm**

**Dance the night away to music that is transmitted through
wireless headphones rather than played over a speaker system.**

You choose the music!

Adult only event - so round up your friends and family and come and join us!

Please bring your own drinks and nibbles as we will not be selling either at this event.

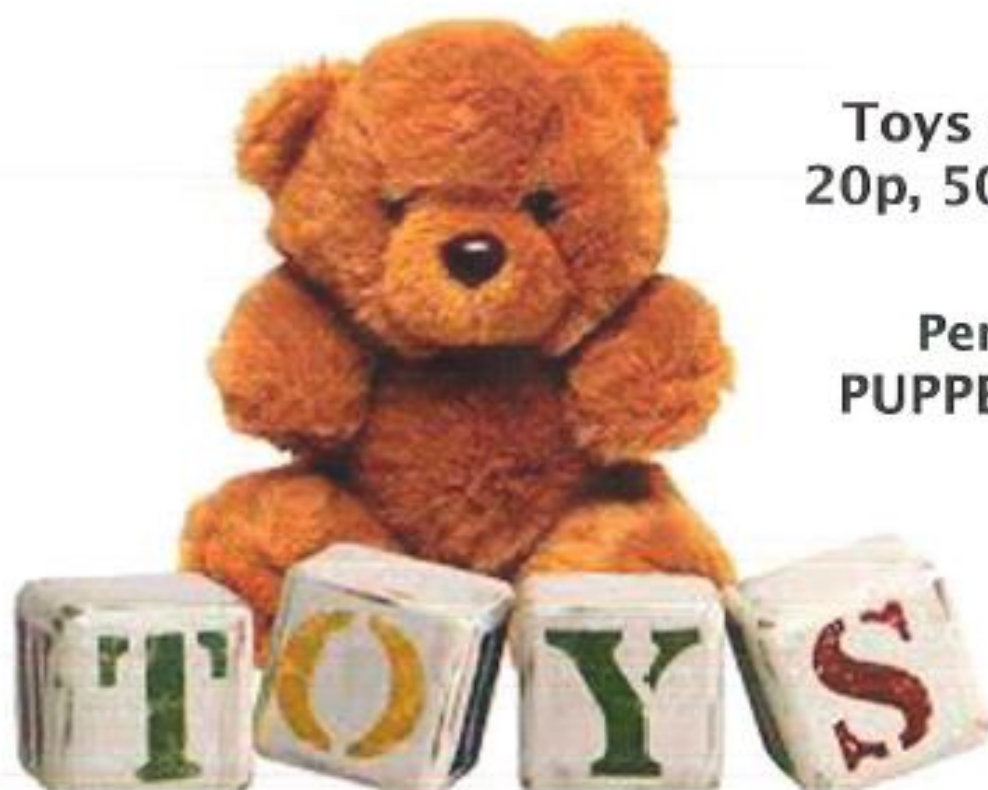
Any questions contact Michelle Lindsay on 07841592053 or michellelindsay009@yahoo.co.uk

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SECOND HAND TOY SALE

Saturday 12th May 2018
12noon-3pm

Rayleigh Evangelical Church
Eastwood Road



Toys priced at
20p, 50p & £1.00

Performances by
PUPPET PARTNERS

REFRESHMENTS ON SALE

In aid of Operation Christmas Child

FREE ADMISSION

UK Charity No. 1001349



PAGWPS are proud to present The Greatest Showman, Open Air Cinema
Friday 14th September 2018

Doors open at 7.15pm, movie expected to start at 7.45pm (dependent on Sunlight)

Adults and children £8 each

Feel free to bring alcohol within moderation

Food and hot drinks will be available for purchase from Manhattan Grills American Diner, Slushy Stand and Coffee and Doughnut Tram

This event will go ahead no matter the weather, so come prepared!

Please bring chairs, blankets or beanbags to sit on as none will be provided by the school

Greatest Showman

Name..... Email address.....

Contact number.....

Childs name & class.....

Number of Children's Tickets.....

Number of Adult Tickets.....

Date form completed.....



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 or call 01375 842 306 for further information.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times



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• THE FA GIRLS' FOOTBALL CENTRES •
GET INVOLVED WITH SSE WILDCATS
HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS, **PLAY FOOTBALL**
SIGN UP NOW

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



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For All

A great day for all the family!

Dirty Dancing



**Raising
Money for
Alzheimer's
Society**



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
Julie
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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