



Friday 17th
November 2017

The Grove Valer

Anti-Bullying week

To promote the Grove Vale core values 'Valuing ourselves and each other' this week the pupils have been taking part in activities linked to anti-bullying week.

Reception read the story The Little Duckling and talked about how we should treat others, not being mean or picking on others because they are different. They discussed what they should do if someone is mean to them or they see someone being mean to somebody else.

Year 1 read the stories Elma and Tyrannosaurus drip, they used the events in the stories to discuss how to treat people who are different. Years 2, 3 and 4 learnt about being an 'Upstander' how to stand up for someone who is being bullied. They were taught about being a Buddy, to Interrupt, to Speak out and to tell someone.

Years 5 and 6 focused on online bullying, activities were based around what does online bullying look like, where/how can it happen, what can we do to prevent it and what should we do if it happens to us or someone else we know. On Wednesday PCO Nicola Yates also came into school and did an assembly with KS2 about bullying.

Children in need

Today we helped raise money for the charity children in need. Pupils came to school in non-uniform wearing spots and yellow. The sale of our Pudsey bags went really well. Thank you to all the parents for your kind donations.

Breakfast club took part in a sponsored silence on Monday —can all sponsorship money be handed into a breakfast club member of staff by Monday 20th please.

We will let you know the total raised as soon as the has been counted.



Forest School

This half term Year 1 and Year 4 are having Forest School with Mr Dodd. Can he remind all parents to send children to school with a change of clothes and wellies. If children do not have these they will not participate in the session. Forest school happens whatever the weather!

Breakfast and After school Clubs

Parents with children in breakfast and after school clubs have been sent home with contact information sheets. These need to be filled in and sent back into school to Miss Day or Mr Dodd as soon as possible. This will help us ensure we have the most up to date information.

Attendance and Punctuality

Class with the highest attendance:

Most punctual classes: No Classes
Unfortunately no classes were on time.

Number of lates:

Grove Vale Parents and friends association

Christmas Jumper Day.

Friday 8th December

Christmas Fayre Thursday
14th December

Morning Gates

A reminder to parents that the gates on the junior playground are locked at 8.50am and infants at 8.55am. Both gates are open from 8.30am. Children arriving after this time need to be brought into the office and will receive a late mark.

After School Club

There will be NO after school club on Thursday 14th December due to the Christmas Fayre.



Girls football team match GV vs. King George Primary School
Thursday 30th November 3.15pm—4.30pm.
GV vs. Hanbury Primary School
Wednesday 29th November 3pm-4.30pm



Time Zone

Last Wednesday year 3 were lucky enough to be visited by time zone to kick off our Ancient Greeks topic in style. Once dressed up in tunics we took part in an authentic Grecian debate where we learnt about different city states of Ancient Greece from Athens to Sparta. This was followed by a session of playing all sorts of different Greek board games. We were surprised to see that they were similar to those that we still play today. The afternoon saw year 3 have the chance to learn about the Greek alphabet and even write with red quills and ink. Our day came to an end with warrior training with shields and spears. All children and staff had a fantastic day!

School Improvements

A massive thank you to one of our parents; Michael Thomas who gave up his own time to re-paint the shelters in the infant playground. They look fantastic and it makes such a difference. If any other parents can volunteer their time to help with school improvements please get in touch!

[Dates for your diary](#)

Have a Great Weekend!