

Grayshott CE Primary School

Headteacher – Mrs S Pritchard

Newsletter 9 – Thursday 9th November 2017

Weekly Attendance Award Winner: Blue Class



Dear Parents

Book Week – The Power of Pictures



Simon Murray's visit on Monday was truly inspirational. The children had the opportunity to create their own 'Icky Do Dah' characters using some of Simon's truly creative techniques. A huge thank you to the PTA for funding such a wonderful experience.

The children have been creating their own masterpieces in response to their class picture book and these will be on show for parents to look at in the hall between 2.45pm and 3.30pm on Friday. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Today is the last chance to visit the Book Fair and pick up any Christmas bargains from The Book People. It will be located in the Key Stage One shared Area. Many thanks to all that have helped with the Fair and volunteered in classes to support creative workshops; such help really has contributed to a wonderful Book Week.

An exhibition will take place in the school hall tomorrow, Friday 10th November, showcasing all the creative efforts of the school during this book week. Pop in from 2.45pm-3.30pm to see what your child has been up to!

Yellow Class trip to Witley

Yellow class enjoyed a wonderful day out with the National Trust at Witley Woods yesterday.

They collected materials to build a bonfire and learnt how to survive in the wild. After building a waterproof shelter they enjoyed toasting marshmallows over the bonfire. Thank you to all the brilliant parent helpers.

Click and Collect Uniform Orders – Deadline is tomorrow

The deadline for placing click and collect uniform orders for this half term is Friday 10th November. Please note that any orders placed after this date may not be processed until after the Christmas holiday.



Children in Need

On Friday 17th November, children will be invited to come to school wearing something yellow OR spotty in order to raise money for Children in Need. In order to take part, each child will need to pay £1.00.



In addition, the newly elected school council have decided that we will also be taking part in 'Pudsey's Round Pound Countdown.' If you have any old pound coins at home, please send them in with your child over the course of next week. The school council will be going into classes this Friday to encourage children to hunt for old pound coins at home and provide a labelled jar where they can be collected.

Message from the PTA - Can you help secure a raffle prize?

The newly formed Christmas Fair Committee are hard at work planning the Christmas Fair which takes place on Saturday 2nd December. The main fundraiser of the event is the raffle but every year it seems to get harder to secure good prizes - so we need your help please! If any of you are in a position to offer a prize, or know someone who could, then we'd love to hear from you. Please contact c.boag@waitrose.com or your class rep. The generosity of all our prize givers is fully acknowledged in our dedicated raffle area at the fair, where leaflets etc can also be displayed should this be of interest to those able to donate a prize.

Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics

On Tuesday, seven children from Gold and Silver class took part in an Indoor Athletics tournament at Bohunt. Bella Martin, Daisy Brooks, George Rodd, Harry Davies, Charlie Mace, Khelley Falconitin and Poppy Berry all competed in throwing and jumping events before taking place in a whole school relay. Well done to them all for volunteering to take part.

Class Fundraiser Bake Sale

Gold class will kick off with our first Bake sale of the school year on Thursday 16th November at pick up. All proceeds raised go directly to the class teacher to put towards items/activities needed for the class, so please remember your spare change. Most items cost 50p!

Koosa Kids

Koosa Kids run our after school club every day from 3.15pm. To register and reserve a place please go to their website page which is specific to Grayshott School.

<https://www.koosakids.co.uk/venuedetails.aspx?venue=51&club=2>

Lost Property

There have been several named items of school uniform that have been mislaid and are not in lost property. Please can you check your child's uniform to make sure they have not accidentally picked up another child's uniform by mistake. Thank you.

If your child has lost a watch or a keyring, please come to the office.

O2 Choir Reminder

A reminder from Mrs Whitehouse that all O2 payments need to be in by tomorrow, Friday 10th November.



Time for a Clear Out - Donations needed for Secret Santa and Second Toy Stall

The school Christmas Fair is drawing ever nearer and the PTA are busy planning a mix of games and activities for all to enjoy.

Two of the trusty favourite stalls amongst the children are Secret Santa (where children can secretly buy Christmas gifts for their adults) and the second hand toy stall. For both of these stalls to be successful we rely heavily on donations from parents. Please feel free to spread the word if you can think of anyone else amongst your friends and family who might have items they could donate.

Secret Santa - please can we ask you to bring in any unwanted new/ nearly new items which you may have at home which could be suitable as gifts for adults. Anything goes as long as it is in 'as good as new' condition- I'm sure we all have things we have been given in the past but just don't like (anymore) or never use. So now is your chance to declutter and let those items make some money for your children's school instead. In the past we have had donations of homeware, accessories, books, dvds and decorative items - they can be suitable for mums, dads or grandparents.

Second Hand Toys Stall – please donate any items that are clean and in workable condition please eg toys/games/books/dvds/complete jigsaws. No baby toys please. Any new items donated may be used as prizes in the tombola. Anything not sold at the fair is donated to local charity shops.

Donations for both stalls can be left in the community room from this week until Thursday 30th November. There will also be a mufti day on Wednesday 29th November where the children can come in their own clothes in return for a bottle. The bottles will all be used in our bottle tombola stall at the school fair. We will also be asking for cakes to be brought in on Friday 1st December. These cakes will be sold in the café and on the cake stall at the fair.

Thank you so much in advance for supporting this wonderful event in whatever way you can. With your help I am sure it will be a fun and successful day. Please remember all profits directly benefit our children, enriching their experience here at Grayshott School.

Kind regards

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Diary Dates 2017/2018

November

Monday	6–10	Book Week
Friday	10	Open morning, 9.30am – 11.00am Power of Pictures Exhibition, 2.45pm – 3.30pm
Monday	13	Children in Need fundraising week
Thursday	16	Gold class cake sale, 3.15pm
Friday	17	Wear something yellow or spotty to raise money for Children in Need
Monday	20	School photos
Friday	24	Purple class assembly, 9.05am – Purple class parents welcome to attend
Wednesday	29	Mufti day – in exchange for a bottle donation for the Christmas Fair

December

Saturday	2	Christmas Fair
Friday	8	Green class Roman Feast, 2.00pm – 3.15pm
Tuesday	12	KS1 Christmas Production, 1.30pm
Wednesday	13	Christmas Lunch KS1 Christmas Production, 6.00pm
Friday	15	Pantomime Christmas Jumper Day
Monday	18	Gold class WW2 Exhibition to parents, 1.30pm – 2.30pm
Thursday	21	Church Service, 9.30am

End of Autumn term – school ends at 1.15pm for Christmas holidays

January 2018

Thursday	4	Inset day
Friday	5	Inset day
Monday	8	Return to school, 8.45am
Tuesday	9	Parents evening, all year groups, 4.00pm – 7.00pm
Thursday	11	Parents evening, all year groups, 4.00pm – 7.00pm
Thursday	18	Surrey Get Vocal Creative workshop, Guildford Cathedral – details to follow

February 2018

Friday	2	Green class assembly
Friday	9	Break up for half term
Monday	12-16	Half term
Monday	19	Return to school, 8.45am



March 2018

Thursday	15	Bohunt Information evening, 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Friday	16	Blue class assembly, 9.05am
Wednesday	21	Year 2 & Year 6 Parents evening 4.00pm-7.00pm Surrey Get Vocal at Guildford Cathedral – details to follow
Thursday	22	Year 2 & 6 Parents evening 4.00pm-7.00pm
Thursday	29	Last day of Spring term
Friday	30 – 13 April	Easter holiday

April 2018

Monday	16	Return to school, 8.45am
Tuesday	17	Parents evening, Years R, 1, 3, 4 and 5, 4.00pm – 7.00pm
Thursday	19	Parents evening, Years R, 1, 3, 4 and 5, 4.00pm – 7.00pm

May 2018

Friday	4	Yellow class assembly, 9.05am
Monday	7	Bank holiday
Tuesday	8	Return to school, 8.45am
Monday	14	SATS week for Gold class
Friday	25	Last day school
Monday	28-1 June	Half term

June 2018

Monday	4	Return to school, 8.45am Silver class to Stubbington
Friday	8	Silver class return from Stubbington
Monday	11	Gold class to Rockley
Friday	15	Gold class return from Rockley
Thursday	21	Surrey Get Vocal at Guildford Cathedral – details to follow
Friday	22	Red class assembly, 9.05am
Wednesday	27	Gold class leavers' service, Guildford Cathedral, 12.30pm – 2.00pm
Thursday	28	Sports day

July 2018

Tuesday	3	KS2 production, Grayshott Village Hall, evening (time tbc)
Wednesday	4	KS2 production, Grayshott Village Hall, evening (time tbc)
Friday	20	Gold class leavers' assembly
Friday	20	End of Summer term
Monday	23	Inset day

