

Dear Parents and Carers

Football may not be coming home, but we have had a fantastic week at Grovelands nonetheless. It has been another successful week and there have been some real highlights.

Children across the school have all competed brilliantly in our Sports Days, which have been incredibly successful. Without exception, the children were fantastic and really took part with enthusiasm and energy. Congratulations to Chestnut house, who won Key Stage 1 Sports Day and to Yew house, who won the Key Stage 2 Sports Day! Thank you to all of the parents who came and made this a special day.

I would also like to say a huge 'well done' to all of the children who competed so well at District Sports on Monday. You represented our school fantastically and all gave everything for the cause.

Congratulations to year 6 on their stunning performances this week. There was such talent on show and everybody left each performance grinning from ear to ear. We loved the brilliant songs and every child performed their roles so very well – it was certainly an accurate depiction of school life. Thank you again to all of the parents whose attendance helps to make these such special occasions, and of course, thank you too to all of the teachers and children for working so hard to put on such a wonderful show

We should also congratulate our year 6 children on their terrific SATS results. Every pupil has made terrific progress this year and because of this, every pupil should be very proud of their achievements.

Finally, thank you to all of the parents who have signed up to come in and help us to paint the school over the summer. If anyone is considering signing up for a few hours, there are still some slots available, and we'd really appreciate the support!

Have a great weekend!  
Mr Tuck

### Attendance Matters

If your child is unable to attend school, you must phone the school office before 09.30am on the day of the absence. If no message is left in the office, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Please be aware that The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The Headteacher should determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

In accordance with the above Regulations, requests for leave of absence are treated sympathetically, but only in exceptional circumstances can they be approved. The policy of the Government to which this school has agreed, states that parents who take their child out of school for five days or more during term time, without the authority of the Headteacher, will each be liable to receive a penalty notice. Penalty Notices will be issued by the Local Authority.

The penalty is £60 per parent if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice, rising to £120 per parent if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. If the penalty is not paid in full by the end of the 28-day period the Local Authority must prosecute the recipient for failing to ensure regular school attendance under section 444 Education Act 1996.

## Dates for your Diary 2018

**17 Jul** Nursery Concert (am & pm) —  
11.00am

**18 Jul** Parent Report Drop-in/Meet next  
year's Teacher

**19 Jul** YR6 Leavers' Assembly—9.00am

**20 Jul** **END OF TERM—2.00pm**

**Inset Days** 4 September 2018  
19 October 2018  
15 February 2019  
23 April 2019  
3 June 2019

N.B. Please note dates are subject to change.

Early Years = Nursery & Reception  
KS1 = Years 1 & 2  
KS2 = Years 3, 4, 5, 6

## SCHOOL DINNERS

**Please** pay dinner money in advance every Monday or, alternatively, you can pay half termly using our online payment facility. Should you require log-in details for online payments, please speak to the main office. The cost of a school meal is £2.30.

Please notify the office of any changes to school meal preferences a week in advance in writing. Thank you.

# IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK...

## NURSERY

This week in nursery we have been learning about holidays and the seaside. We have written postcards home and talked about our experiences on holiday. We have been busy practising for our concert, which is next Tuesday.

## RECEPTION

What a busy week! We have been reflecting on our year in reception, drawing and writing about our favourite activities and best memories. In maths, we completed an 'ice-cream' problem solving challenge.

## YEAR 1

This week in English we have been learning about the Rio Olympics. We have used this information to write an information leaflet. In maths we have been consolidating our knowledge of money, measurements and place value. We all participated well in Sports Day today and our teachers and teaching assistants are all really proud of both classes! Well done Year 1! :)

## YEAR 2

This week we have written some persuasive adverts to encourage people to visit our lovely town, Walton-on-Thames. We have also looked at some famous paintings of Walton Bridge, including one by Canaletto, and chose our favourite to sketch. In maths we have been applying our knowledge to solve a variety of investigations and trying to work systematically.

## YEAR 3

In Year 3 we have been learning about the Stone Age through cross-curricular activities. We have also begun our DT project of making wooden picture frames which the children have planned out. Well done to all of Year 3 for great sportsmanship on Sports Day-that's what it's all about!

## YEAR 4

Year 4 have finished off writing and improving our explanation texts. In maths, we have practised scaling amounts up and down and applying them to challenges. We really enjoyed learning about Healthy Eating in D&T and created our own healthy snacks with fruit and vegetables. We had a very successful Sports Day - a huge congratulations to all the children for their efforts and for being so supportive of each other.

## YEAR 5

The children have been consolidating their knowledge working with fractions this week. The children have practised multiplying improper and mixed fractions. The children performed very well at sports day, demonstrating their skills and were able to achieve in a range of sports and win points for their houses.

## YEAR 6

Year 6 received their SATS results this week and everybody fulfilled their potential and should be VERY proud of themselves! Also, they performed their amazing year 6 end of year production...they were fantastic and I know you, the parents, were extremely taken aback by how clearly, loudly and eloquently they all spoke on stage. I think they all deserve a relaxing weekend!



# MEDICATION



Please ensure you collect any medication/creams/inhalers belonging to your child from the school office on the last day of term. **Medication cannot be stored in school over the holidays.**

Any items not collected will be returned to a pharmacy.

## THANK YOU

# DISTRICT SPORTS



On Monday 9th July, Grovelands walked over 75 children down to the brand new Xcel Hub Athletics Track to take part in District Sports. The children composed themselves marvellously. It was such an exciting day. We managed to get into the finals of all the sprint races. Well done to Maram, Vera, Leoni, Daisy, Melad and Rhiannon for getting to the finals. A particular well done to Charlie and Herbie in year 4, who not only got into the final, but finished in the top three. A superb race.

We are all very excited for next year already as, although we competed against the larger schools in the borough this year, next year we'll be against many more schools with a smaller number of children. So even better results to come!

Yesterday, Year some of Key stage two went to the Exel Sporting Hub for District sports. We tried our best in District sports and it turned out to be the best year ever!

In the really ran our quickest but very few got into the finals. We were so close to winning. While other schools did off better than us we still had loads of fun. A few of Key Stage 2 and I got into the finals. We all tried our best and enjoyed our selves ourselves.

LOUISA - Jocun and Sam

## September 2018 Prices

Please note the revised costs for the following:

Breakfast Club	£3.70 per session (7.45—8.45am)
Afterschool Club	£11.00 per session (3.00—6.00pm)
School Meals	£2.30 per meal (£11.50 per week)





Thank you

## Sports Kits

Please can you check at home for any running vests, football kits, netball kits and any items that belong to the school. FROGS bought us 50 brand new running vests this year and only 45 were handed back before District Sports. We also have two fantastic football kits which we are still missing many items.

Please have a good rummage and bring in anything you find so we can prepare for September.  
Thank you

## SPORTS DAY COMPETITION RESULTS!

HOUSE				
Key Stage 1 Results	135	139	126	107
Key Stage 2 Results	550	517	532	538
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>645</b>

***Well done to our Key Stage 1 winners Chestnut House and to Yew House who were not only our Key Stage 2 winners but the winning house overall. All the children competed brilliantly and each house worked well as a team offering encouragement and support throughout. Well done to each and everyone of you, whether you won or not — that's what sports day is all about!***

## Attendance last week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.3%	92.6%	97%	96.6%	95.5%	95.3%	97%

Well done to **Year 2 and Year 6** for the best year group attendance

Well done to **Panthers** for the best class attendance **99.3%**

## Year Group Attendance from beginning of September 2017

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	95.7%	96%	96.3%	96.6%	95.2%	96.1%

Overall attendance percentage to date: 95.8%

# CERTIFICATES



<b>Class</b>	<b><i>Behaviour</i></b>	<b><i>Achievement</i></b>	<b><i>Writer of the Week</i></b>
Otters	Harry	Whole Class	
Squirrels	Isla	Whole Class	
Badgers	Rosie	Whole Class	
Flamingos	Lily-Rose	Whole Class	
Swans	Levi	Whole Class	
Dolphins	Theo	Whole Class	
Seals	Alessandro	Harley	Paige
Antelopes	Lily	Skye	Muntaha
Giraffes	Tegan, Lily	Lilia	Christopher
Zebras	Thomas	Whole Class	Chloe
Leopards	Alyssia	Alyssia, Gabriel, Nancy	Tilly-Mae, Evie
Panthers	Eva	Elisa	Freya, Tai
Eagles	Jake	Harvey	Joanne
Kestrels	Toby	Melad	Panna
Cobras	Louis	Whole Class	
Pythons	Lilli	Whole Class	



### **Pen Licence**

Lily — Giraffes

# WELL DONE EVERYONE

**CREATIVE ARTS  
SUMMER CAMP**  
for  
**INSPIRED KIDS**

9 - 12 years old



And so much more.....

July 23rd - 27th July  
July 30th - 3rd August  
August 6th - 10th August  
August 13th - 17th August

Where: Oatlands Village, Weybridge, KT13

For more info: call Laura 07785106403

or email: [info@notjustart.net](mailto:info@notjustart.net)

This is a unique bespoke summer camp based on the arts but also the wellbeing of a child. We are taking 25 children per week for an experience through art related subjects. The different areas covered will build on a child's skills, confidence and enhance their focus and give them different aspects to enjoy with in the arts. The subjects covered are **Art** in all its forms, **Textile** techniques, **3D Design**, **Food** learning to cook savoury and sweet things, **Wellbeing** based on visualisation and meditating, **Business Studies** the money system, **Trip's** out to various attractions, **Games** and **Competitions** to compliment the weeks. A child will go home with an array of exciting gifts to show off their talents.



**At St John's Church**

**1 The Furrows, Walton-on-Thames**

**13th—17th August 2018**

**10.00am-12.30pm Mon-Thurs**

**10.00am-1.30pm Friday**

**School Age only: Reception to Year 6**

*(Children starting Reception in September 2018 are not eligible to attend.)*

**For further information and general enquiries please contact  
Mandy at [mandy@waltonparish.org.uk](mailto:mandy@waltonparish.org.uk)**

**Closing date for bookings:- July 13th.**

Each day, the Guardians recover a lost story-treasure, representing a Bible story, in order to bring the light back to the city! The days will be filled with games, crafts and drama sketches. There will be singing and dancing and a mid morning snack time and on one of the days we will even have an ice-cream van .

The week is free of charge and all costs are met by the Church.



Walton-on-Thames  
**St Mary's and St John's**

You can book at <http://waltonparish.org.uk/holiday-club-2018/>

On line booking will require a signature from a parent/carer on the first day.

Or you can request a printable booking form by emailing [mandy@waltonparish.org.uk](mailto:mandy@waltonparish.org.uk) .

**Places are limited and will be confirmed by telephone.**