

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another eventful and exciting week at Grovelands, with lots of truly memorable activities for our children.

Today, year 5 have been to Chessington World of Adventures, which links to their topic 'Scream Machine'. We're sure they will have had a fantastic day out but we also hope that it will really inspire the children to produce some fantastic writing. This has not been the only opportunity this week, as we have also had excellence workshops for pupils with an interest or talent for French and music. The feedback from pupils has been that this has been a fun and engaging learning experience.

We have also been able to use Virtual Reality technology this week, which has been used to link to topics and allows pupils to immerse themselves in places they would never normally go to. As you can imagine, this has been very popular! I am also pleased to report that we have ordered 30 more chromebooks, which is really exciting.

I would also like to say well done to the year 6 pupils that have done Bikeability throughout this week. The instructors are hugely impressed by their attitude and they have made great progress.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Tuck
Head of School

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

18 Jun	YR6 Residential (return 22 Jun)
19 Jun	New Reception Parent Welcome Meeting— 6.30pm
26 Jun	New Nursery Parent Welcome Meeting— 6.30pm
30 Jun	Summer Fair
3 Jul	YR6 Senior School Induction Day YRs R — 5 Shuffle-up day
4 Jul	YR6 Senior School Induction Day
11 Jul	YR6 Leavers' Performance—1.30pm
12 Jul	Sports Day YR6 Leavers' Performance—7.00pm
16 Jul	Sports Day (back-up)
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

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 £2.25.

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 our learning has been all about caterpillars. We started by reading the story *The Hungry Caterpillar* which has given us a great introduction to the life cycle of a caterpillar. We have also been learning about repeating patterns. We have used paint to create caterpillars with a repeating pattern and even made fruit skewers with a repeating pattern. Everyday we are checking on the progress of our real caterpillars and can report that they have grown much bigger already!!

RECEPTION

This week we continued to talk about people who help us. We have been writing lists and labelling fire engines. In maths we have been having our own ideas and investigating ways to sort shapes. Outdoors, we have been using a variety of large construction equipment.

YEAR 1

In Year 1 this week we have been dividing by 2 and 4 and writing the correct number sentences. In geography we have been looking at the differences between London and Rio, Brazil. In Science we have been looking at the different seasons, focusing on summer. The Year 1 team would like to say a massive well done to all the children for completing their phonics screening test this week.

YEAR 2

In year 2 this week we have been writing some free verse based on Kit Wright's poem 'The Magic Box'. The children have come up with lots of creative ideas of items they would like to put in their box. We have also been looking at maps and aerial photographs of Walton, finding physical and human features, and looking at photographs of Walton in the past. If anyone has lived here a long time and would like to share any photographs or memories, please let us know!

YEAR 3

In English this week we have completed our professional, perfect predator booklets and we are really knowledgeable now! We have also worked on subordinate clause and comprehension skills. Please ask me questions when I read - it really helps! In maths we have been mental!! We have been using our brains to calculate answers and have applied this to word problems. We are also really proud of our Year 3 bench ball team as they played well against Cleves and showed their fabulous teamwork. Well done.

YEAR 4

We had a fantastic time at the Science Museum learning all about digestion! We have learnt how to interpret graphs in maths and learnt all about the features of recounts in English. We wrote brilliant recounts of our trip too. We also enjoyed learning about our monthly value of cooperation with our Human Knot game!

YEAR 5

The year 5 children have enjoyed a trip to Chessington World of Adventures today as part of their current topic called 'Scream Machine'. They enjoyed going on the rides and looked at the technology and science behind how they are made. In English the children have studied about the features and written parts of a persuasive letter and in maths they have learnt about capacity and how to measure and convert between metric and imperial units.

YEAR 6

We have started working on our end of year production in earnest! Other things that we are very excited about are our residential trip next week!

More Able Writers Workshop

On Wednesday, Lilia, Chloe, Rayan, Maya, Leo and Scarlett from Year 3, along with Nell and Ella from Year 6, went to a more able writer's workshop at Ashley Primary School. What an adventure! We were made comfortable in their lovely Harmony Centre, and then went into an Enchanted Forest to solve a mystery. Our ideas became the starting points for our stories. We all had so much fun!



Year 3- Bench Ball Competition

Yesterday, fifteen children from Year 3 took part in some training and a competition at Cleves. They played five matches each and the afternoon ended with a final between Grovelands A and Cleves B. These two teams finished at the top of their table with only a point between them so they played a final match. With only a 3 minute game, the children had to act fast. It was so close! Cleves managed to get a player on their bench first and shortly after Grovelands equalised with a great catch. The spectators started to count down ten seconds and with an amazing catch, Grovelands A team managed to get one more player onto their bench, winning the afternoon and tournament by seconds.



Well done to Grace, Amber, Filip, Jack, Christopher, Lola, Koby, Frank, Elijah, Holly, Meirah, Beau, Chloe, Thomas, Josh R.—you listened and worked so well and really focused on being team players.

Our Reception chicks will soon be hatching. 🐣 🐣 🐣 🐣

If you have any old newspapers at home we can use for our chicks, please can you hand them to the Reception Teachers. **Thank you.**



Reminder...

to parents/carers that children should not be racing around riding on bikes and scooters or playing football on the school grounds before going into class. Parents/carers remain responsible for their children until they enter the building at 8:45am.

YR4 visit the Science Museum!

Year 4 had a wonderful time at the Science Museum on Monday. We attended the 'It's Takes Guts' show which told us all about teeth and the digestive system. It was very interactive and the children really enjoyed themselves. The presenter showed us what happened in all the different parts of the system using a rather yucky bowl of mashed up food - icky but interesting! We also had a good time looking around some other parts of the Museum, including the Energy and Space exhibits (with some of us brave enough to try getting a mini electric shock!). Thank you so much to all the adults who joined us and made it possible.





SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS
ATHLETES WHO INSPIRE KIDS



International Triple Jumper, Daniel Lewis, is coming to our school in two weeks time. On Thursday 28th June, all the children in the will be involved in a sponsored circuit activity that the Great British Athlete will set up.

This sponsored event is to raise money for the school to gain more sports equipment and enhance the fantastic PE provision the school already has.

Thank you so much for your continued support and enthusiasm for your child's development learning.

HOWZAT?

Kwik Cricket Competition at Reeds School, Cobham

The boys played some really good cricket and by the end of the afternoon had improved so much in both their batting and bowling skills. The games they played were very close- missing out on a win by only three runs. The best part of the day was watching all the boys achieve in certain parts of the game - clean catches, great hits and fantastic bowling.

A great time was had by all.



Well done to: Angus, Louis, Fraser, Sid, Harry, Toby, Sam, Ashton, Owen and our captain, Harvey.



Today, some of the Year 6 children visited Cleves for a trampolining session! It was great fun and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience!



Attendance last week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.5%	96.7%	95.1%	96.6%	98.3%	96.4%	92.9%

Well done to **Year 4** for the best year group attendance
Well done to **Zebras** for the best class attendance **98.8%**

Year Group Attendance from beginning of September 2017

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	96%	95.9%	96.4%	96.6%	95.1%	95.9%

Overall attendance percentage to date: 95.8%

CERTIFICATES



Class	<i>Behaviour</i>	<i>Achievement</i>	<i>Writer of the Week</i>
Otters	Emily	Sam	Leighton
Squirrels	Sommer	Jude	Jack
Badgers	River	Dominik	Paloma
Flamingos	Piriyanka	Brynley	Lilly
Swans	Tyler	Vishayna	Lara
Dolphins	Anusha	Simona	Lily H
Seals	Nick	Kayla	Leo
Antelopes	Martyn	Jake	Ethan
Giraffes	Millie	Jack	Amber
Zebras	Cody	Dylan	Charlie
Leopards	Jemma	Allisha	Logan
Panthers	Anastasiia	Kumial	Charlie
Eagles	Aidan E		
Kestrels	Sam		
Cobras	Emillie	India	Kyra
Pythons	Rafal	Lilli	Ella

WELL DONE EVERYONE



GROVELANDS SCHOOL'S FROGS



£2 PER ADULT
KIDS GO FREE

SUMMER FAIR

12-3pm

Saturday 30th June

BBQ • FACE PAINTING • RAFFLE
BOUNCY CASTLES
BEAT THE GOALIE • BAR • YUCKY DIP • GAMES

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GIRLS FOOTBALL OPEN TRAINING SESSION

We're delighted to announce that **Walton & Hershham Youth FC** will be running an open training session for current **YEAR 4 & YEAR 5 Girls** with the prospect of joining our U10/U11's Girls team next season.

We are a community club that are passionate about football and promote positive play within a fun environment. All of our players are coached by professional [Skillzone Soccer Platinum Centres](#) coaches who work with every team at the club.

Date: Friday 22nd June 2018

Time: 5.30 - 6.45pm

Location: Walton Xcel Leisure Centre, KT12 2JG

Register your place by emailing: pat@pleiadesleisure.com



WALTON & HERSHAM YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SKILLZONE SOCCER

HOW TO JOIN OUR CLUB

- 1 COMPLETE THE BELOW APPLICATION FORM
- 2 SEND BY EMAIL TO: [PAT@PLEIADESLEISURE.COM](mailto:pat@pleiadesleisure.com)

We are looking for current **Year 4 and Year 5 girls** to attend our open training evening this June with the prospect of joining our U10 and U11 girls teams next season. We are looking for enthusiastic and committed players to join our ever-growing football club.

We are a community club that are passionate about football. We promote positive play within a fun environment. All of our players are coached by professional SkillZone coaches who work with every team at the club. Our current U10 girls had a fantastic first season and we're lucky to have such a brilliant group of players with us.



GIRLS OPEN TRAINING: FRIDAY 22ND JUNE @ XCEL LEISURE CENTRE, KT12 2JG FROM 5.30 - 6.45PM

[PAT@PLEIADESLEISURE.COM](mailto:pat@pleiadesleisure.com)

07794 623 579

WALTON & HERSHAM YOUTH U10/U11 GIRLS TRIAL

NAME OF CHILD: _____ DOB: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____ CONTACT NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

OFFICIAL TEAM REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE SENT AFTER THE TRIAL EVENING