

Dear Parents/Carers

It is hard to believe that we only have one week left before the Easter holidays. The Spring term is always short but is often the one where the children progress the most. Looking through books and talking to teachers, it is clear that our pupils have made excellent progress this term and have been working extremely hard.

We have had some important events this week, including the Internet Safety Workshops that were held for both children and parents in partnership with Cleves School. Some extremely important messages came through from this, but, ultimately, it is our responsibility as adults to protect our children from dangers online. Please ensure that you have parental filters on all of your internet enabled devices and that your children are not using computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones unsupervised. Please see our website for useful links and information regarding this subject.

We enjoyed seeing some of you at our parent forum yesterday, where we discussed parent helpers and how we can make use of the fantastic resource in the future. We are planning to hold a meeting for all existing and potential parent helpers next term to discuss the different things you can help us with in school. We will keep you posted on the date.

Our Grovelands App was also launched this week. If you have not already done so, please follow the instructions on the leaflet to download this onto your phone as it is a great way to keep up to date with everything that is happening at Grovelands. Many thanks to Mrs Powell and Mr Smith for all of their hard work on this.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and enjoy some spring sunshine.

Best wishes

Mrs Chadda and Mrs Coleman

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.

If there are two parents and two children incurring unauthorised absences, each parent will receive two Penalty Notices, which in this case would amount to £120 each if paid within 21 days.

Dates for your Diary 2018

26 Mar	YR4 Roman Workshop
27 Mar	YR4 Residential Parent Meetings—3.00pm & 6.00pm
29 Mar	BREAK UP FOR EASTER—2.00pm
16 Apr	INSET DAY
17 Apr	YR6 Residential Parent Meetings—3.00pm & 6.00pm
24 Apr	YR1 London's Burning Workshop
25 Apr	Class Photos
26 Apr	YR6 SATS Parent Meeting—3.00pm & 6.00pm
3 May	POLLING DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
4 May	Reception Bocketts Farm
7 May	BANK HOLIDAY
8 May	Reception Height and Weight Checks
10 May	YR2 Windsor Castle Trip
14 May	YR6 SATS week
	YR3 Natural History Museum
16 May	YR4 Residential (return 18 May)
25 May	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM—3.00pm
18 Jun	YR6 Residential (return 22 Jun)
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 and Meet next year's Teacher
19 Jul	YR6 Leavers' Assembly—9.00am
20 Jul	END OF TERM—2.00pm

NB. 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 we have been reading "The Tiger Who Came to Tea"! We have designed plates of food for the tiger and made tiger masks and pictures. We have also been having lots of lovely tea parties with our pretend tigers!

RECEPTION

This week we read Night Monkey Day Monkey by Julia Donaldson. We have been learning and writing about nocturnal animals. In maths we have been doubling objects using mirrors.

YEAR 1

This week in Year 1 we went to St Mary's church for an Easter walk, where we learnt all about the Easter story. In English, we have been learning all about alphabetical order. In Maths, we have been recapping place value.

YEAR 2

In year 2 this week we have been learning to round numbers to the nearest 10. We have also been using lots of adventurous vocabulary to describe many different plants and flowers. For our value of the month 'care and compassion' we have read stories and discussed making the right choices.

YEAR 3

This week in Year 3 we have been looking at the features of a newspaper and have written a newspaper report about the arrival of the Space Bat Angel Dragon crash landing on Australia!
In Maths, we have been learning how to calculate and measure the perimeter of a shape. We have also looked the parts of a plant, discussing the function of each part. In history we learnt about Florence Nightingale who was nicknamed the Lady of the Lamp because she checked on the injured soldiers at night with a lantern to make sure that they were okay.

YEAR 4

Year 4 have been working hard planning and writing our wonderful newspaper reports on Roman events this week. In Maths, we have been continuing to practice our times tables and have been calculating money problems. In Geography, we looked at how Roman roads joined up different towns and cities and we've thought hard about how we can show our monthly value of Care and Compassion. We are looking forward to our Roman day on Monday - remember to come dressed in a Roman outfit!

YEAR 5

Year 5 have been learning how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000 when working with decimal numbers. We have also been writing our newspaper articles about the Black Death including examples of direct and reported speech.

YEAR 6

Year 6's hard work has paid off - we are so very proud of the effort and resilience they have all shown during their mock exams! Well done to each and everyone of you. We are now looking forward to a well-earned Easter break (despite the homework)!

Internet Safety Seminar

Thank you to all the parents who attended the seminar hosted at Cleves School on Wednesday evening. We hope you found it useful and informative.

We have set up a dedicated 'Internet Safety Information' page within our school website (under 'Parents') which includes a link to the 'Common Sense Media' website. Do please take the time to have a look at this page. Thank you.

YEAR 1



Please can parents/carers of Year 1 children bring in one cereal box each for their new topic 'Bright lights big cities' after half term. Thank you.



Did you know that the Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. This funding means that your children can receive the following:

- ◆ A free school meal (Y3 upwards, as all children in Reception and Key Stage 1 currently receive government funded school meals)
- ◆ Reduced costs towards after school activities e.g. football club
- ◆ Financial help towards school uniform costs
- ◆ Help with the cost of day trips and residential trips

Are you eligible?

You can register your child for Free School Meals if you receive any of these benefits:

- ◆ Income Support
- ◆ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ◆ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ◆ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ◆ The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- ◆ Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- ◆ Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you claim any of the above benefits and have not already registered please speak to the school office.

For every child registered, Grovelands gets £1,320 this year. This additional funding allows us to provide an even better education for your child through the purchase of additional resources or staff to support learning.

Grovelands V St Judes



Both year 5 and 6 teams enjoyed a journey in the new minibus to prepare them for their matches, talking team tactics (certainly not screaming at the top of their lungs!).



Year 5 got off the mark from the get go with a flying goal from the young Charlie. Another superb effort from the whole team. Aidan was the player of the match as he tried to focus on positional play and assisted with lots of goals, also scoring himself. Albie and Jayden made some incredible saves. Alfie and Frank worked as a unit in the back and Yosef, Aidan and Charlie held strong in the middle with Bailey playing his first game upfront! Grovelands managed to secure a 5-2 win.

Year 6 played really well as team with excellent passing and communication and supporting one another. They definitely deserved a win. Owen, Kyle and Daniel reacted and responded to each other to keep the ball away from goal. Louis made phenomenal saves as he does every game- faultless as usual. Che, Sid, Khalil and Daniel moved and passed the ball whilst driving up the pitch and managed to score 3 goals. Harvey had a stormy game upfront, always offering, repositioning and giving 100%. St Jude's finished with a win of 5-3 but our boys played with determination, strength, stamina and passion.

Great games from both teams!

YEAR FIVE FOOTY WINNERS!

Bithiu vs Grovelands.

On Thursday 22nd Match, the Year 5 Football team went to Bithiu. All our hard training led to a Fabulous game, Full of excitement. Charlie scored first, Followed by another goal by Joshua. We were 2 goals up, but Bithiu came back to equalise. Then during the second half, Charlie scored again and Bithiu could not find the energy to come back. We played as a great team.

b.y albie
Year 5 goalie.

Attendance last week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.6%	97.8%	96.1%	98%	98.3%	92.6%	94.5%

Well done to **Year 4** for the best year group attendance
Well done to **Squirrels** 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
94.5%	96.2%	95.8%	96.5%	96.7%	94.9%	96.1%

Overall attendance percentage to date: 95.8%

CERTIFICATES



Class	Behaviour	Achievement	Writer of the Week
Otters	Holly	Evie	Emily
Squirrels	Hayden	Tommy	Gibson
Badgers	Seren	Charlie	Sophie
Flamingos	Ben	Lilly	Oscar
Swans	Alena	Niall	Jess
Dolphins	Sammy P	Belal	Mohamed
Seals	Hunor	Grace	Toby
Antelopes	Lily	Dylan	Fred
Giraffes	Phoebe	Finn	Lilia
Zebras	Thomas	Curtis	Julian
Leopards	Laila	Logan	Jessica
Panthers	Jake	James Pe	Gianluca
Eagles	Jaiden	Chloe	Kristian
Kestrels	Naomi	Logan	Albie
Cobras	Ashton	Harry	Harvey
Pythons	Lilli	Khalil	Charlotte A

Pen Licences



Kia, Dylan, Aidan — Antelopes
Rayan, Joshua — Zebras
Shivanjali, Zane — Panthers
Ollie — Kestrels

Grammar Wizards



Haider — Seals
Megan, Alyssia — Leopards

WELL DONE EVERYONE



Alive and Kicking Surrey is a free weight management programme for families who want to eat healthily, be more active and have fun doing so together.

Running in the following areas every week:

ARE YOU READY TO MAKE A FEW CHANGES?

Running for 12 weeks starting on 23rd April at:

Cleves Primary School, Weybridge

Green Oak School, Godalming

Danetree Primary School, West Ewell

OR

River Bourne Health Club, Chertsey
Tuesday Evenings

Spelthorne Leisure Centre, Staines
Thursday Evenings

Kings George Hall, Esher
Saturday Mornings

Maybury Centre, Woking
Saturday Mornings

To find out more please get in touch:

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