

GRASSMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL



Monday 27th September 2021

NEWSLETTER

Frogs Meeting (Parent Teacher Association)

We are having a Frog's meeting on Wednesday 29th September 2021 at 9am to discuss the Christmas Fair. Everybody welcome.

Governor Vacancies

We currently have two governor vacancies. One parent governor and one community governor. If you would like to stand for election please come to the school office for an information sheet and nomination form. Then complete and return the nomination form to the school office by 7 October 2021. Another parent of a child at the school must sign the form in support of your nomination.

Natasha's Law

Due to stricter laws around food allergies, we cannot accept food from parents into school. This means that they cannot be given birthday cakes, sweets etc just in case of allergies and the risks of cross-contamination.

Uniform Price Increases

Our suppliers have increased the prices of the school book bags /PE bags and PE kits and fleeces. We have looked at other schools & Suppliers and even with the price increase this is still good value for money. The price change is effective from the 1st October 2021 and will be amended on parentpay.

The Bookbags will be £4

PE Bags will be £4.20

PE Kits will be £9.00

Fleeces will be £13.50

Admission arrangements for the academic year 2022/23

Dates for applying for a Reception place are 1st November 2021 until 15th January 2022

Dates for applying for a secondary school place are from 13th September 2021 until 31st October 2021

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-school-place.aspx>

Open Afternoon

We are holding an open afternoon for anybody who wants to look at our nursery or Reception provision. This is on Monday 8th November at 4pm to 5pm.

Attendance

Please fill in a holiday request or an exceptional circumstance form if your child is taking ANY leave from school. Any absences that are not explained either before or on the day of absence by 10am will be marked as unauthorised leave and may incur a fine. Thank you.

School Parliament Year 1 upwards

Our school parliament has been duly elected - they will be starting work next week!

Coming in to school

Parents are not to enter school without a prior appointment. Please either dojo your teacher for an appointment or phone the office. There will be staff outside each morning and after school should you wish to speak to someone in person too.

Water bottles and fleeces

We now have water bottles for sale at £2 each. Our fleeces are also for sale and we have plenty of stock of all sizes. £13.50 each. Please order and pay on parentpay - thank you.

Breakfast & Afterschool Clubs

We have a paid for 'breakfast club' from 7.45am which is £3 per child and a paid for 'after school' child care club until 4.30pm. This is £5 per child. Please book/pay for in advance on parentpay. Please email booking requests to Mrs Browne & Miss Etheridge

abrowne@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk

setheridge@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk

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Extra curricular clubs

- Tuesday:** Science club for Y4/Y5 (invite only) with Miss Barkes 3.15-4.15
Football Y5/6 with Miss Wallhead 3.15-4.15
Story Club Y1 with Miss Boam 3.10-4.15 (starting after half-term)
- Thursday:** Netball Y5/6 with Miss Wallhead 3.15-4.15

School Lottery

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/grassmoor-primary-school>

Guaranteed weekly prize of £25, plus a jackpot of £25,000 and additional prizes.

Morrisons free gardening equipment for schools

Morrisons are giving out 1 token for every £10 spend. You just register at mymorrisons.com or download the app.

Diary dates

30 th September	Individual and sibling photos (family shoots can be done before school from 8am)
4-7 th October	Harvest/Autumn assembly 4 th EYFS 5 th KS1 6 th LKS2 7 th UKS2
22 nd October	Children break up
1 st November	Children start back
2 nd and 4 th November	Parents evenings 3.30pm till 6.30pm
12 th November	Children in Need
17 th to 19 th November	Y5 residential trip to Mount Cook
29 th and 30 th November	Y4 to Thornbridge residential centre
1 st December	EYFS/KS1 House Craft Afternoon 2pm
2 nd December	KS2 House Craft Afternoon 2pm
6 th – 9 th December 10am or 2pm	Christmas Concerts: 6 th EYFS and KS1, 7 th KS1 and EYFS, 8 th KS2 and 9 th KS2
10 th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
13 th December	Governors' Awards
15 th December	Christmas Fair
13 th – 20 th December	Christmas Parties
22 nd December	Carols around the Tree 2.30pm Christmas Jumper Day and Break up
23 rd December	INSET DAY
10 th January	Children start back

Policies & Safeguarding

Mrs Sharon James is the lead person for safeguarding children. If you would like to see the safeguarding policy or any of our other policies they are available on our website (these are regularly being added to following each governors meeting) or you can get a free paper copy by request from the school office.

NB: Youtube is not suitable to be accessed without adult supervision. However, there is a YouTube kids, which is more appropriate. See the link for more information on settings and controls:

<https://support.google.com/youtubekids/answer/6172308?hl=en-GB>

Corona Virus Symptoms and Testing

If a child in school starts to develop any symptoms of the corona virus, school will telephone their parent/carer to pick them up as soon as possible. If negative (and they feel well enough), they can return to school after their negative test. If positive they must remain home for 10 days. Other members of the household will not need to self-isolate but it is strongly recommended that the other members of the household also get a test.

Testing is booked on this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

NB: If a child is not attending school due to covid symptoms or a positive test, they will be directed to home learning by the teacher, which should be completed to ensure that children do not fall behind in their learning (unless they are feeling unwell of course).

PARENTAL CONSULTATION:

We like to involve parents as much as possible in school and love to hear what you think. Here are the main ways in which we will gather feedback:

- Through an annual surveys which we will do during the next Parents' Evenings
- Through Parent View at parentview.ofsted.gov.
- Or simply tell us what you think via text, phone, email or in person

Thank you for taking the time to tell us what you think of our school - Mrs Sharon James

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