

GRASSMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL



Monday 18th October 2021

NEWSLETTER

Financial Support Through Autumn

Derbyshire County Council have some grants available to support people in financial hardship. Please click on this link or go to their website [Helping you through autumn - Derbyshire County Council](#)

Christmas Fair 15th December 3.05pm till 5pm

We need your help! If you can help on the day, please let Mrs Kibble know that you will be available. Also, if you can donate either a raffle prize or tombola prize please. Any help is appreciated - thank you.

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.

Poppies

School Parliament will be selling poppies and related items at break/lunch. Please send correct change either 50p for a poppy, reflector or zip pull, £1 for a wristband or £1.50 for a snap band. No change given, as we put it directly into the poppy tin.

Children in Need - Friday 19th November

The children in school parliament decided on their theme this year. It is wearing your pyjamas and bring £2! Any Pudsey/Children in Need outfit is also fine 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.

Extra curricular clubs

- Tuesday:** Science club for Y3/Y4/Y5 with Miss Barkes 3.15-4.15
Netball Y5/6 with Miss Wallhead 3.15-4.30
Story Club Y1 with Miss Boam 3.10-4.15 (starting after half-term)
- Thursday:** Football Y5/6 with Miss Wallhead 3.15-4.30

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.

Derbyshire County Council SEND survey

Here is a link to DCC's SEND survey.

<https://derbyshireparentforums.co.uk/consultations/>

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Diary dates

22 nd October	Children break up
1 st November	Children start back
2 nd and 4 th November (Reception 1 st and 3 rd via phone)	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 Y3 and Y4,5 and 9 th Y4,5 and Y3
10 th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
13 th December	Governors' Awards
15 th December	Christmas Fair 3.05pm to 5pm (straight after school) NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
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 survey and other surveys via Microsoft Forms (paper versions can be requested)
- Through Parent View at parentview.ofsted.gov
- Or simply tell us what you think via phone, email or in person

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