



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What's happening this week and next

As part of our Children's University scheme, Years 3 and 4 are visiting Plymouth University today. They will be doing various workshops whilst they are there, as well as having a campus tour. Next Tuesday 26th March is the Cross Country competition at Stover School, Newton Abbot.

Clubs

This is the last week for table tennis club as the school discos will be held in the hall next Thursday. Next week will be the last week for all other school clubs.

Parking

Historically we have had an arrangement with parking with South Hams council where parents could park just for drop off and pick up. This seems to have now changed and you will need to either pay for parking or buy your local Resident Parking permit. The permit allows vehicle holders to park in all car parks operated by South Hams District Council (except Dartmouth Park and Ride car park Dittisham The Ham and Dittisham The Level, South Embankment (Dartmouth), between the hours of 3.00pm and 10.00am.

Please see more details of our Resident permits;

<https://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/3075/Resident-Concessionary-Permit>

Alternatively walking is highly recommended and if you do have to pause to drop off on The Grove then please be aware of pedestrians and local residents and NEVER stop on the school zigzags.

School Council

A new group of school councillors, who have been elected by their class, will meet with Ms Caldwell this Friday afternoon during assembly. During the Spring and Summer term they will be working on ways to make our outside spaces much better. They'll be planning, designing and doing. They will also be involved in running our next Movie Night. We think that two more Movie Nights will pay off the balance for our adorable Reading/Nurture dog Lola. Put the Movie Night date in your calendars - Friday 10th May - and watch this space for more info.

Staffing news

Just to let you know we have agreed with Mrs Gratton and Mrs Barton-Wilkes that they can return to work in a job share situation so we are now advertising for a new fulltime teacher to start with us in September.

PTA Thursday Bakes

The next PTA cake sale will be on Thursday 28th March. We are asking that KS1 and Acorns bake for that week, with all of KS2 baking for Thursday 4th April. All money raised will go towards funding the canopies for the downstairs classrooms and helping towards a 'wish list' we have been given by the teachers! We are always looking for parents to help us run the cake stall, so any volunteers, please speak with Jenni or Kellie. You could also email using the pta@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

PTA School Disco - Thursday 28th March EYFS and KS1 4.15-5.15 KS2 5.45-7.00

Dust off those dancing shoes and get ready for our next Disco! Entry will be £2.50 which will include a glitter tattoo, drinks and biscuits. We will need some helpers on the night, if you can help please see Kellie, Jenni or Rachel Gillespie (Lara and Jody's Mum).

Praise Assemblies

Praise assembly this week is Lime Tree class at 2.45. Next week's praise assembly is Guava Tree class at 2.45 on Friday 29th March.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

Adverts – please note that the school is neither recommending nor supporting the adverts below. If you wish to advertise in our newsletter then please contact the school for details.

House to Rent in Totnes £900 pcm

Family house to rent on Plymouth Road within walking distance of town.

3 bedrooms, open plan family room with dining area and kitchen.

Off road parking for 2 cars and a large shared garden.

If you are interested please contact Sarah - sarahanywhere@gmail.com or text on 07941589706

Totnes Library

Easter Crafts Tuesday 16th April 10:30am-12:30pm

Join us for Peter Rabbit crafts for all ages, free and you can drop in.

LEGO Robot Wars Saturday 27th April 10am-12pm

In this incredible two-hour workshop, teams of four will build their own LEGO robots to compete in an epic robot battle. Let the battle commence! For 8 years plus and adults are very welcome to join in the fun.

Tickets £5 per person for anyone 8+ (adults who are taking part need a ticket), and are available from the library desk or by calling 01803 659945 or emailing totnes.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk.