



GRAPPENHALL HEYS NEWSLETTER

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

January 2022

Welcome back to school, we hope that you all managed to have an enjoyable break over the festive period.

Our school is the winner of the Primary School category in The Big Hog Friendly Litter Pick Challenge, we have won a Hedgehog house and hedgehog food. We collected 15 bags of rubbish and 260 people took part. Well done to everyone who took part. Thank you to Miss Corradine for organising.

Staffing update

As some of you may be aware Miss Goodwin began Adoption Leave on Friday until the end of the Spring Term. Congratulations Miss Goodwin and her family on the arrival of her new son.

New iPads

We have purchased a new set of iPads for school with the money raised by Friends from the previous year. Thank you to Friends and all who helped to raise the money. The iPads are already in use in school and being enjoyed by the children.

Over the Christmas period, we have also replaced the screen in the school hall, which suffered damage during the roof replacement, this will make a big difference to assemblies and other activities in the hall.

Parking

Please read the attached letter from Governors concerning parking around the school.

Building update

The tendering process for the build is underway and the deadline for this is 21st January. After this time we will be able to communicate with you about which contractor has been awarded the project, the timescales and the plans for the start of building works.

Associate Teacher

This week we welcomed Laura Stobie, our new Associate Teacher, who will be working with Year 4. We are sure that Year 4 will really enjoy working with her.

Covid update

Please continue to follow the current guidance and be vigilant for symptoms. As of 11th January if you get a positive rapid lateral flow test result, most people will not need to take a PCR test to confirm the result. You must self-isolate immediately if you get a positive rapid lateral flow test result. Thank you for everyone's continued efforts to keep school as safe as possible.

Santapreneurs

Congratulations to Year 5 who won the Santapreneurs before Christmas raising £646, they will be enjoying a class treat this half term as their prize. The total raised was £1969.60, thank you to everyone who bought, made and to our parent helpers who came into school to help make items to sell.

Forthcoming events

Spring 1 2022

Thursday 06 January
School opens

Monday 10 January
After School Clubs start

Tuesday 11 January
Year 5 Swimming Broomfields weekly at for 2 x blocks of 5 weeks

Tuesday 18 January
Year 4 Samba Drumming starts and lasts for 11 weeks

Guitar Lessons commence for students who have booked lessons

Year 5 Swimming at Broomfields

Tuesday 08 February
Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 09 February
Year 5 visit to Liverpool World Museum

Thursday 10 February
Year 6 Parliament Workshop online

5-6pm Year 2 and Year 6 SATs Information Evening

Friday 18 February
After School Clubs finishes
School closes



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WOW Tracker Walk to School Challenge

In November we awarded 154 badges across Reception to Year 6, which represented a total of 69% actively travelled to school. Remember that to qualify for a WOW badge each month, a child needs to actively travel to school (Walk, Cycle, Scooter, Park and Stride) one day per week to qualify. The aim being to reduce the amount of car traffic/pollution in and around the school during drop off and pick up and encourage active travel to school.

December's Class of the Month: Year 4 with 81% total active trips - Congratulations!

The following children have are celebrating their birthdays in January and have received or will be receiving their birthday pencil and sticker...

James B	Luke B	Ethan B	Abigail C	Teddy C
Lucas C	Miriam C	Florence D	Taylor G	Elizabeth H
Eddie K	Tom M	Amelie M	Sienna O-L	Jack P
Willow R	Sebastian R	Isaac R	Libby S	Finly T
Arjun W	Nathaniel W	John W	Clarence W	

A Very Happy Birthday to you all!

Friends News

100 Club – Autumn 2 Winner K Sykes and S Chapman

Attendance

Our school target is 96%.

For the year our current attendance is 95.7%

Week ending 17 December 2021

Year	Attendance (%)
Nursery	91.7
Reception	97.3
1	96.1
2	95.4
3	95.3
4	98.1
5	96.8
6	93.3

Well Done Year 4!