

GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your Diary



Sat 16/10 Jumble Sale

Tue 19/10 Year 3 Assembly

Friday 22/10 Wear red for Show
Racism the Red card fundraiser

Fri 22/10 Cricket sessions with
Jerry

Fri 22/10 Last day of school

Mon 25/10- 29/10 Half Term

Mon 01/11 Children Return

Peer Mediators!

Thanks to three **very** organised children in Year 6, Peer Mediators will begin their roles next week. Watch this space for more news...

Star of the Week!



Week commencing 04/11/2021- 11/10/2021

Pavlova class – Olivia/Lili/Hugo/Lavinia

Rosen class – Ismail/Ilse-Mae

Rashford Class – Lina/Robi Jo

Kadeena Cox class – Tugce/Daniel/Miller/Esra

Sir Captain Tom Moore class – Noah/Violet

Sky Brown class – Sienna/Clara/Rei/Philip

Simone Biles class – Elif/Teddy

Malala class – Jasmine/Rayan/Henry/Cole

A message from the Headteacher

This week has been very busy with new parent walk rounds. Every time I show parents around they comment on the calm and focused learning going on in every classroom, as well as the polite and very friendly nature of the children. I'm pleased that others have a snapshot of what I see all the time at Grasmere. Grasmere children, you make me very proud.

We had a very good assembly from Year 4, demonstrating some excellent Talk for Writing, as well as a very catchy song about the Romans. Well done Year 4!

Sinead, our PE lead, has introduced the Daily Mile, where each class spends time every day running and jogging in the playground. This is great for physical and mental health, as well as providing even more physical activity every day. If you would like to read more, please visit this link:

<https://thedailymile.co.uk/parents-and-carers/>



Thank you to our amazing kitchen staff, Margaret, Carmen, Clara, Breda and Maria who are providing us with the most delicious school meals. If you would like your child to try one, please see Patsy. Hopefully we will also be able to arrange some tasters for parents and carers soon.

The kitchen staff very kindly provided some well needed snacks for our hard working teachers who were running parent meetings this week.

Finally, the children have been learning a lot about online safety, as well as Black History Month. I am also hearing from children that have already started their homework projects. I can't wait to see them!

Have a great weekend,
Neela

In Anna Pavola Class we have been learning about Garrett Morgan for Black History Month. He was the inventor of the first traffic signal. We made Traffic Light Treats. 😊



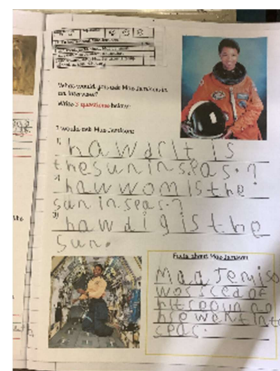
Reception Class

During Black History Month, Sky Brown class have enjoyed hearing lots of stories with black characters or by black authors. Please support Scotty Emmons, if you can. He is trying to provide more diverse books for schools. <https://uk.gofundme.com/f/help-our-children-read-about-race>



Year One Class

Black History Month: Year 1 read the book Look Up and discovered that Rocket is inspired by Mae Jemison. We researched Mae Jemison and found out lots of interesting facts about her. We then decided to write down some questions we would ask her if we ever had the opportunity to meet her!



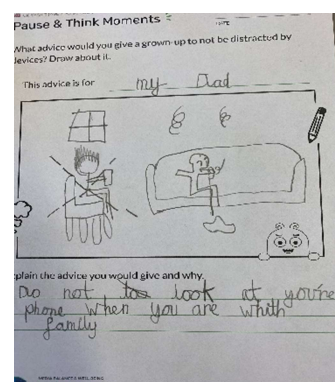
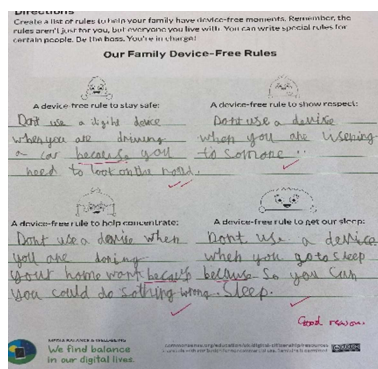
Year Two Class

In Year 2 we have been looking at Online Safety using Common Sense Media resources. We looked at a cartoon about the different things we should think about when we are Online and how we should use our heads and our hearts to guide us. We also learnt we need to create a balance with our Online technology use. We made posters to help keep others safe Online.



Year Three Class

This week Rashford Class (Y3) have been learning about time when we all benefit from device free moments. The children reflected on times when being device free can help us to; sleep, concentrate, show respect and be safe. They children enjoyed making some family rules and advice for grown-ups on when to put away our devices!



Year Four Class

Year 4 have been exploring black history by discussing how important it is that we learn more about black British history, and how intertwined it is with all of our other history learning. We've been reading some of David Olusoga's *Black and British*, and have found out that black Africans first settled in Britain when it was inhabited by the Romans!



Year Five Class

After voting to name Year 5 after British Paralympic champion Kadeena Cox, we have continued to learn about other inspirational black female athletes who made (and are continuing to make) history as part of Black History Month.



Year Six Class

We have been learning about what it means to be safe online and how we find our own 'media balance'.

Hackney Food Bank

We are collecting for Hackney Foodbank and a basket is now in the lobby. A list of suggested foods is here:

<https://hackney.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Thank you to one of our parents, Nicola, for organising this.

Christmas and Greeting Cards

A message from Jenn, a parent who is organising greeting cards this year:

Our greeting card fundraiser is underway! Children will be creating artwork in school next week and this will be sent home by Friday 22nd October. If you would like to order the

artwork your child created in school, please follow the directions on the leaflet that will accompany the artwork - go to www.apfsorders.co.uk and enter the code of the reverse of your child's artwork.

In addition to holiday cards, you can order thank you cards, birthday cards, or general greeting cards. You can also order wrapping paper, gift tags and mugs. If you would like to order products with artwork other than or in addition to the artwork your child created in school, please email frogsholidaycards@gmail.com and you will receive a reply with a code you can use to order. You can also request a code if you would like to order products with a sibling's artwork. Orders must be placed by 1st November.

Please note that all artwork must be sent in for scanning after you place an order. We ask that any artwork ordered be carefully placed in your child's homework book and returned to school on Thursday 4th November. If you have any questions about this fundraiser, please email frogsholidaycards@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting FROGS!

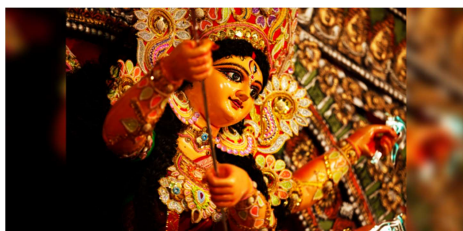
Thanks,
Jenn

And finally, a reminder that on the final day of term we will be fundraising for Show Racism the Red Card. If you would like to find out more please follow the link:

<https://www.theredcard.org/wear-red-day>



Everyone is invited to wear red and bring a small donation in with them.



Well wishes to any of our school community who are celebrating the end of Durga Puja today.

And last but definitely not least... we are very pleased to have this year's Student Council in their positions. They have already been very busy! I am hoping that over this year they will be contributing to the Newsletter.

