

GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd September 2022

Dates for your Diary



27th Sept: Year 5 assembly 9am

28th September - Meet the leadership team for parents @ 14.30-15.30pm

28th September- open afternoon @ 15.30 EYFS, Year4-6

29th Sept: Year 3 and 4 family learning morning @9.00-10.30

29th Sept: Year 1,2,3 open afternoon

30th Sept: Year 5 and 6 Stoke Newington Literary Festival visit with author Chitra Soundar

3rd October: Year 6 to Kench Hill

4th Oct: Year 4 assembly @9am

6th Oct: Year 1 and 2 family learning morning @9.00-10.30pm

11th Oct: Year 3 assembly @9am

13th Oct@ Year 5 and 6 family learning morning @9.00-10.30am

17th October: Virtual parent meetings

18th Oct: Year 2 Assembly @9am

20th Oct: EYFS family learning morning @9.00-10.30am

20th Oct: Autumn Fair and International Evening

Star of the Week!



Week commencing 19.09.2022

Lin-Manuel Miranda Class	Olivia H & Gerard
Elvis Class	Cleo and Locky
Dolly Parton Class	Rei and Sienna
Otis Redding Class	Kate and Sonny H
Nina Simone Class	Oscar and Arin
Jimmy Cliff Class	Whole Class
Duke Ellington Class	Arthur and Adam
Tracey Chapman Class	Efe and Zohar

Message from Neela

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely week.

We had a very exciting visit from author Alex Falase-Koya today. He worked with Year 1 and Year 2 to develop their super hero characters. We were so impressed with the motivation and excitement in the room, it really was wonderful to see. We are very much looking forward to our visit next week for year 5 and 6.

Year 6 kicked off the term with their class assembly, Year 5 will be resending next Tuesday, Year 5 parents we look forward to seeing you there!

Year 4 children really impressed their adults on the trip to the Natural History Museum today, and they have been doing some good follow up work in class.

We are currently hosting a group of teacher training students from the Institute of Education. They spent some time observing in classes before having their training delivered by Shannen. The feedback was very positive and we look forward to welcoming them back next week.

Next week we will be hosting some open afternoons, look for when your child's class is. On this day you will be able to collect them from class and have a look at their amazing work. This will also be a great opportunity for you to see some of the wonderful displays we have around school, some of them class displays, and some art displays curated by our art and DT lead, Barley.

If you have a child in Year 3 or Year 4, don't forget to come to the learning morning, you will be able to learn alongside your child and really find out what goes on in the school day!

Finally, the leadership team will be hosting a Meet the Leadership Team meeting, where you will also be able to find out a little bit more about how reading and writing are taught across the school. There are some developments expertly led by Emmy across the school, and Siobhan in EYFS. We would really like to share them with you.

Have a great weekend,

Neela

Nursery – Lin-Manuel Miranda class

This week Lin-Manuel Miranda class have been sorting Buttons and finding ones that are the same and ones that are different sizes, colours and shapes. We even noticed that some have 2 holes and some have 4 holes.



Reception – Elvis class

In Reception we have been learning about our bodies. We drew round our friend's bodies and then talked about the parts of the bodies we know and what they do.



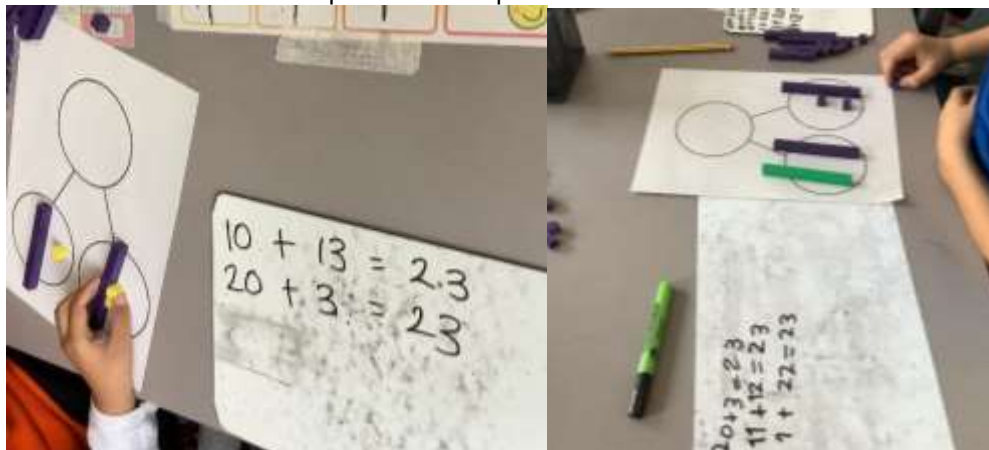
Year one – Dolly Parton class

Over the past few weeks Dolly Class have been exploring the work of French painter, Henri Rousseau. We are currently working on our own pieces inspired by his work during our art lessons with Barley. Everybody has really enjoyed experimenting with a range of mediums including paint and colour pastels. We've even been having a go at mixing our own colours using our knowledge of the colour wheel. We can't wait to see the outcome of this artistic journey!



Year two – Otis Redding class

In Otis class this week, we have been focusing on tens and ones. We have been learning how to represent number in a place value chart, using rekenreks, dienes, and base ten blocks, as well as how to complete sentences using the numbers displayed. We used concretes to improve our comprehension.



Year three – Nina Simone class

This week Nina class have been using our confident actions and clear voices to tell the story of *The Day the Crayons Quit*. We have enjoyed using our imaginations to come up with the symbols and actions to add to our story map.



Year four – Jimmy Cliff class

Year 4 had an excellent week, showing such mature and confident attitudes to learning and the challenge of our school trip. I was very proud to be out with them. Well done all.



Year five – Duke Ellington class

This week in Year 5 Literacy, we have been creating story maps to help us memorise the model text of 'The Lost Happy Endings'. This is a magical tale about what happens when, one night, a wicked witch steals the Happy Endings to bedtime stories. It is up to Jub, the keeper of the Happy Endings, to save the day and ensure sweet dreams everywhere!




Year six – Tracey Chapman class

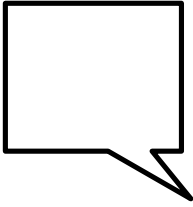
In Spanish this week, we translated statements about our history unit, The Second World War. We're loving our Spanish lessons with Raquel!



Attendance

Lin-Manuel Miranda	97.8%
Elvis	98.3%
Dolly	85.6%
Otis Redding	97.1%
Nina Simone	87.1%
Jimmy Cliff	100%  well done Year 4
Duke Ellington	92.3%
Tracey Chapman	97.8%
Whole School	94.1%

Call 020 7249 7278 to report your child's absence or late attendance.
Or email: absencehotline@grasmere.hackney.sch.uk



Message for Parents!

If you're feeling musical this weekend, please take a look at our school website under **Curriculum, Subjects, Music**. Here you will find out what we have been learning in our whole school assemblies and be able to explore what your child's year group has been getting up to.

The **reading lists** are now live on the school's website under **Curriculum, Subjects, Reading** where you can scroll to the **bottom of the page** to find a link to **Reading Lists**.

Jumble Sale!

Please help us raise money for the school by volunteering at the next Jumble Sale on Saturday 8 October. You can sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/CLMT9>

Thank you!



JUMBLE SALE INFORMATION

Please bring your clothes, toys, books and bric-à-brac etc to the school on Friday 7 October. Nothing broken or dirty please!

If dropping off your donations at 9am, leave them by the blue container. If dropping off your donations at 3.30pm, leave them by the main hall

There is lots of ways you can help, from sorting out the clothes to manning a stall, preparing a soup or baking a cake! Please see all our volunteering opportunities below, and sign up if you can!

Sharing Shelf

FROGS have a new noticeboard in the covered walkway, where you can keep up to date with their latest events. They've also set up a new Sharing Shelf, with a Book swap & food bank. More information is below.

FR^{OGS}' SHARING SHELF

Here's how to use our Sharing shelf. We only accept books and food bank items on these shelves. If the shelves are full, please wait before you donate. Our volunteers will tidy them up from time to time.

BOOK SWAP

Novels, reference books, activity/craft books all welcome.

Please donate books that are in good condition.

Please make sure you put the books on the correct shelf (by age).

Please donate only a few books at a time.

If you have lots of books to donate, please email frogs.grasmere@gmail.com or get in touch with the school, and we will sort them out for the library, the classrooms or the next jumble sale.

FOOD BANK

Donating items

We accept cereal; soup; pasta; rice; tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce; lentils, beans and pulses; tinned meat; tinned vegetables; tea/coffee; tinned fruit; biscuits; UHT milk; fruit juice; baby food. Also needed are toiletries, nappies etc

Collecting items

Anyone who needs these items can collect them from the shelf in the mornings. The school will leave the hallway doors open from about 9.10 after the drop off crowds have gone. You can wait in the courtyard or come back – just ring the main bell on Albion Road and say Sharing shelves and the office will let you in.

If you need more assistance, please get in touch with the school business manager Mel (Mon-Tue) to learn about how you can access our Hardship fund.

