

# GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## Dates for your Diary



**13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Feb: Half-Term**

20<sup>th</sup> Feb: Children Return

20<sup>th</sup> Feb: Parent and Carer choir-  
creative room, 3pm

20<sup>th</sup> Feb: Parent and Carer  
Pilates, 2.20pm, hall

21<sup>st</sup> Feb: Year 2 Assembly  
@9.00am

28<sup>th</sup> Feb: Year 1 assembly  
@9.15am

2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> March: Travelling Book  
Fair

8<sup>th</sup> March: Reception Assembly  
@9.15am

13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March: British Science  
Week 2023

14<sup>th</sup> March: Nursery Assembly  
@9.15am

15<sup>th</sup> March: Science workshop  
for parents

18<sup>th</sup> March: Spring Jumble Sale

30<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Hunt

**31<sup>st</sup> March: School Ends/Easter  
Holidays @1pm**

## Star of the Week!



Week commencing 06.02.2023

Lin-Manuel Miranda Class	Anas and Maaziah
Elvis Class	Eleni and Max
Dolly Parton Class	Malique and Archie
Otis Redding Class	Whole Class
Nina Simone Class	Whole Class
Jimmy Cliff Class	Griffin and Robi-jo
Duke Ellington Class	Lewis and Franklin
Tracey Chapman Class	Berat and Tugce

### Message from Neela

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very successful Children's Mental Health Week. Thank you to FROGs for carefully putting together writing packs for each child, they have been very well used!

Today we said goodbye to our lovely cook Clara. Clara is leaving us to begin a role closer to home. Clara has worked hard in the kitchen and now leaves it in the safe hands of Maria, who was newly appointed as our new cook. Chefs in School are still very much involved and we are looking forward to the delicious and nutritious meals continuing.

After half term we have Lauren joining us from Perry Pilates. Lauren will be delivering a Pilates class for parents and then staff every Monday for the next half term. Places are limited so please let Burcu in the office know if you would like to join.

Also on a Monday Ken will be beginning a parent and carer choir. This will be in the creative room, the more the merrier!

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the virtual parent meeting this week. If you didn't, please make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss your child's year so far.

Year 4 arranged a fundraiser today and FROGs have arranged a bake sale, to raise money to support those affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. Thank you all for your generosity.

Next half term will be fun packed, including a book week so look out for more information.

Have a lovely half term everyone, and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Best wishes,  
Neela

## Nursery – Lin-Manuel Miranda class

As part of Children's Mental Health Week we have done a variety of activities in nursery that focused on keeping our minds healthy. The children had lots of fun learning about their emotions and we focused on ways to make ourselves happy. We danced and sang with Ken, we did some yoga, we read the book 'Worrysaurus' and we done come cooking together.



## Reception – Elvis class

In Reception class we have been thinking about the connections between us and how these connections help our mental health. We looked at a clip of Ian Right and how happy he was to connect with a teacher he had, had when he was younger who really supported him. We then draw a poster about the people in our lives we are connected to. We wrote down the family and friends we feel connected to and make us feel supported.



## Year one – Dolly Parton class

Dolly Class have been celebrating Mental Health Awareness Week and Safer Internet Day this week! We've been considering ways to take care of our mental health and things we can do to ensure we stay safe online. We've tried out yoga and mindfulness colouring and even played a board game to explore internet safety.



## Year two – Otis Redding class

In recognition of Children's Mental Health Week, we discussed concerns, engaged in a fear-related activity, and shared ideas and strategies for overcoming them. We discussed how important it is to understand our emotions.



## Year Three – Nina class

This week, Nina Class have been using their knowledge of life in the Iron Age to build roundhouses in D&T. We have been choosing our materials carefully and responding positively and reflectively when overcoming any difficulties.



## Year four – Jimmy Cliff class

We had an incredibly fun PE session this week that involved yoga, ball skills, dodgeball, 4 square and bulldog with Billy. It was excellent to get moving outside in the sunshine. Have a wonderful half term everyone!



## Year five – Duke Ellington class

For Children's Mental Health Week 2023 we played a fun game of Let's Connect Bingo where we had to find other children in the class with similar interests and things in common. Then we made a Let's Connect display and explored our gift packs - thank you FROGs!




## Year six – Tracey Chapman class

Year 6 have been talking all about mental health this week. We've been discussing different emotions we can feel across the day and checking in every morning to name how we're feeling. Then, we've been using our wonderful packs from FROGS to reflect on these in our own ways, so thank you!



## Attendance

Lin-Manuel Miranda	95.6%
Elvis	96.1%
Dolly	95.4%
Otis Redding	83.4%
Nina Simone	91.9%
Jimmy Cliff	89.5%
Duke Ellington	93.9%
Tracey Chapman	97.9%  well done year 6
Whole School	92.8%

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