



CURRICULUM NEWS

2023 Spring Term 2 - Post 16

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Headteacher's Welcome



As I write this, I am reflecting on the last half term, which, although fairly short, seems to have been very very busy.

We are still awaiting the Ofsted Inspection Report. Although the usual time is 4 weeks, it seems that Ofsted are running a little behind schedule. We were hoping that we might get a sneak peek at the report before we finish on Friday but I think in all honesty we will be looking at the report "going live" sometime in April. Really frustrating but I hope, when we do get the chance to share the report that it reflects our school fairly and accurately, recognising the work that we do.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended pupil progress day. It was wonderful to hear about progress across the school, we are so very proud of our pupils here at The Grove.

Finally we wish Ms Nayemah Chowdhry, Victoria Class Teacher all the best as she goes on maternity leave. We look forward to meeting her little one when it arrives! Mr Tahir will be in charge for the remaining academic year alongside Ms Molly Stopps supporting the class.

Best wishes, Lucia Santi, Headteacher

Teaching, Learning, Curriculum



This has been a very busy term for both pupils and staff. All subject leads and Head of Departments are continuing to develop The Grove Curriculum that has a particular emphasis on knowledge, skills and supply the building blocks to achieve great success and progress. We had another fantastic World Book Day, an amazing time was had by all and the love of reading continues to grow at The Grove. It was great to see all pupils and staff dressed up in their favourite costumes to celebrate characters they love. During Pupil Progress Day I was privileged to witness the amazing progress pupils made this term across different areas of the curriculum and their personal development.

All teachers have added 'Home Learning' to their class section. This section outlines what the pupils will be learning next half term in each class, with ideas of different activities you can do at home to help prepare your child. Best wishes, Helen Georgiades, Deputy Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
31st March	End of Term
17th April	INSET - No Pupils
17th April	Yom HaShoah
18th April	Pupils back to school
21st April	Eid ul-Fitr Begins
25th April	St George's Day
1st May	Bank Holiday - No Pupils
2nd May	Pupils back to school
4th May	Grove Governor Meeting
6th May	King's Coneration
8th May	Bank Holiday - No Pupils
8th May	VE Day
9th May	Pupils back to school
17h May	International day against HBT Phobia
29th May - 2nd June	Half Term



Safeguarding Lead News - Miss Huseyin

Hi everyone,

The family workshops have been continuing through the term and have been well attended and received by parents and carers. We have 2 exciting workshops coming up in the summer term being delivered by Dr Laura Cockburn and Claire Kenny, external Educational Psychologists. Keep an eye out for a letter coming home about this.

Work on the Behaviour Hub action plan has continued recently. Staff have been developing a playground charter and new activities will be introduced into the playground in the summer term. Senior Leaders have also been visiting other schools as part of the DfE led programme in order to develop our practice and see other positive educational settings.

I hope you all have a great holiday!

Best wishes, Louis Maunder (Senior Leader for Pastoral Lead and Behaviour)

On behalf of Miss Huseyin in her absence.

Career News

It has been a very busy half term for Careers this term. We have had new providers on site for enrichment. The pupils have been enjoying the African Drumming Workshops and NHS Cadets as well as Lee Valley, Pets Club and Becoming a Chef. We have had a fantastic Careers week with lots of onsite and offsite activities. A definite favourite being the visit from The London Fire Brigade which was loved by pupils and teachers alike! The big event of the week was our Careers Fair which we hosted with 15 external organisations in the hall. Thank you to all of you that attended and supported it was a really successful event. Also thank you to all of you that attended our parent workshop on 'Access to work' with Divergent Thinking.

Next term we look forward to bringing in a 'Learning Pod' for all pupils to enjoy based in the library, Sixth form and Secondary East will be doing visits to New City College in Hoxton and we will be setting up new internal work experience opportunities for pupils in year 11 and the Sixth Form.

As always please contact me if you have any questions around careers and next steps.

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Bronja Elton *Director of Sixth Form/Careers Lead*



POST 16 NEWS

DIRECTOR SIXTH FORM: MS ELTON

The end of another term! Where does the time go? It has been an especially busy term in the 6th form and as always it has been a pleasure to see how well all of the pupils have done in their lessons and across the curriculum.

Five Guys work experience is now coming to an end for this year and all the pupils who have taken part have been amazing. It was lovely to see them receiving certificates for all of their hard work. This is something that will continue in September. Our new partnership with Kentish Town City Farm has begun and again it has been great to see them returning to school with so much enthusiasm, if not sometimes, exhaustion!

The sixth form cafe continues to develop and it is so exciting to see the pupils take ownership of the space, cook for each other and look after their environment.

Next term we look forward to more offsite opportunities and trips with the onset of the warmer weather.

Have a wonderful Easter break and see you in the summer term.

Bronja Elton
Director of 6th Form

Post 16 CLASS NEWS

MATHS (Miss Kyriacos)

This half term pupils have covered positional language. They have carried out activities enabling them to use lots of new vocabulary such as: left, right, forwards, backwards and some have even started to use compass points. Pupils enjoyed throwing a beanbag then having to describe where it landed using key vocabulary whilst other pupils did map reading and writing instructions on how to get to certain locations on a map.

ICT (Miss Kyriacos)

ICT lessons are linked with SMSC topics, this half term pupils have used Book Creator to make their own interactive books. Topics we have covered have been: Fairtrade, Women's International Day, Holi, Sign Language Week and World Water Day. The skills they have covered are: finding, opening and signing into Book Creator and then using the tools and facilities within this website. I've been very impressed with how well they have picked up these skills and the quality of their work has improved over the weeks

ENGLISH (Miss Dawn)

This half term the pupils have been continuing the unit Hobbies and Skills. We have been using this theme to develop the pupils' reading, writing and speech and language skills. They have had the opportunity to write letters, emails, personal statements and to practise the skills needed to complete a basic application form. Pupils have also been participating in discussions and have been developing their ability to ask questions

and to respond appropriately to questions asked of them.

CATERING (Miss Dawn)

The pupils have continued to make some delicious amazing meals this term, working together to make lunch for themselves four days a week. The meals have included these ones below, which you can follow the links for and make them at home.

- [Homemade burgers](#)
- [Chile con carne](#)
- [Sticky Chinese chicken](#)
- [Vegan chocolate traybake](#)

pupils have also been gathering evidence for their Hospitality and Catering Btec, showing that they can follow recipes and use a variety of skills and equipment when making their meals.

HOME LEARNING

Maths: The following websites can be used from home for pupils to continue their Maths learning: [SumDog](#), [Time Table Rockstars](#) and [NumBots](#). You can find many worksheets online however [here](#) is a useful link.

ICT: Book Creator can be accessed from home [here](#). To sign in you will need your child's school email address. Have a go at making your own book over the Easter break.

If your child cannot remember their login details for any of the websites or their school email address feel free to email me levanda.kyriacos@thegroveschool.co.uk

English: Encourage your child to read stories, comics, recipes, articles from newspapers and magazines or online versions of these. If possible, share this

reading together or encourage them to talk about the text or point to images related to it.

Catering: Why not try some of the recipes that we have tried this half term (follow the links above) or encourage your child to help with the planning and preparation of some of the meals at home.




PE News with Mr Proctor

Pupils across the school have been focusing on football and table tennis this half term. Football has always been a firm favourite for many of our pupils and table tennis is a new sport that we have added to the PE Curriculum this year. Table tennis helps improve hand eye coordination and there are many game variations that pupils can play.

Post 16 students have enjoyed Rugby Works sessions this half term where they have been developing their teamwork skills across many sports. A number of Secondary East and Post 16 students are continuing to work towards their Sports Leaders Award by supporting Primary PE sessions. Next term, these students will be leading Primary PE lessons.


.Also, a group of pupils have been attending weekly athletics sessions at Lee Valley Athletics Centre. They have had the opportunity to attempt all athletics events and this has been a highlight of the term. pupils have shown great determination when completing certain events and have really enjoyed this exciting weekly trip.

Gallery



Who is Jane Goodall?
Name: Dame Jane Morris Goodall
Born: 3 April 1934
Job: Primatologist, conservationist, campaigner
Known for: Being the first person to study chimps in the wild
Important discoveries: Found that chimpanzees have emotions, use tools and eat meat she has one son name hugo

As a child, Goodall's father gave her a stuffed chimpanzee named Jubilee as an alternative to a teddy bear. Goodall has said her fondness for it sparked her early love of animals she is 90



Writing instructions, how do you get to the:

Twinkl market: Pacific way > left > pickles road

How do you get to the:

Butcher:
 Go forwards down Pacific way, passing Bishop Lane, continue going forward past left Avenue and to your left you will see the Butcher

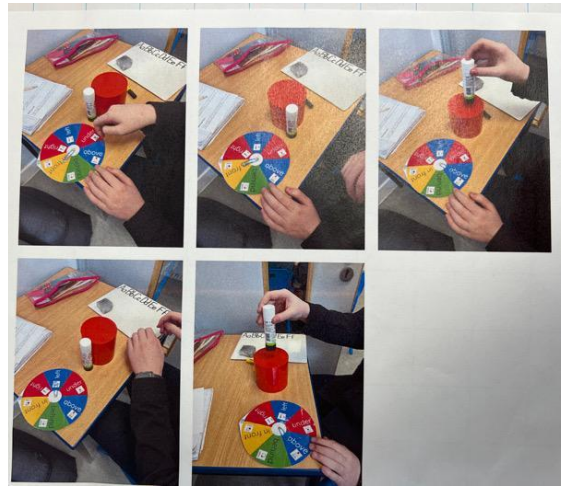
Library:
 Go down Pacific way and take the next left, go down Bishop Lane past Picket Road and straight street and take a right, you will be on street lane and to your left you will see the library.

Zana's house:
 Go forwards down Pacific way past Bishop Lane take a left and go down left Avenue take a right and go down Picket Road and to your left you will see Zana's house.

Restaurant:
 Go straight down Pacific way passing Bishop Lane and left Avenue and take a left and go down Acacia Road and take the first left

FAIRTRADE

BANANAS		EMERALD
INDIA		GUATEMALA
CHOCOLATE		HONEY
COSTA RICA		SUGAR
		COTTON
		



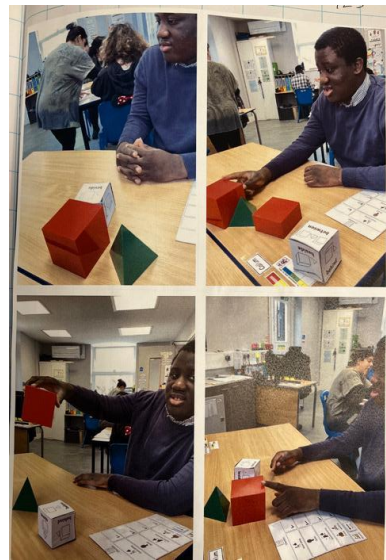
SIGN LANGUAGE

POSITIONAL LANGUAGE

BESIDE	BEHIND	IN
IN FRONT	UNDER	ON

(Note: Each cell contains an illustration of a box and a soccer ball demonstrating the positional relationship.)

ICT and SMSC lesson: Pupils used Book Creator to make books with text, images and YouTube videos.



Maths: positional language, describing where objects are and writing instructions.