# GROVE NEWS

Issue #6

Week: 12th - 16th October 2026

Hi Everyone,

As part of our ongoing commitment to the safety and wellbeing of all pupils, we are updating our school policy on **mobile phones and smart devices.**

In line with the statutory Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance, and updated Department for Education directives, schools are required to be a mobile phone free environment throughout the school day.

Technology plays a central role in many online safety and safeguarding challenges, including cyberbullying, distraction and exposure to inappropriate content. Restricting personal devices keeps our school a safe, focused and supportive place to learn.

**What this means for pupils.** Pupils may still bring a mobile phone to school if they need one for their journey. On arrival, all pupil phones must be handed in at reception, where they will be stored safely during school hours. Pupils collect their devices from reception at the end of the school day before heading home.

**Visitors and parents.** To keep the environment consistent and fully secure, this policy applies to all visitors, parents, contractors and volunteers on school premises. Mobile phones and smart devices must be put away and stay out of sight at all times on school grounds.

**Contacting your child during the day.** If you need to reach your child urgently during school hours, or if they need to contact you, please call the main school office on 020 3876 6555. Our team will pass on messages or urgent information straight away.

We appreciate your support in following these statutory guidelines to keep our school community safe. If you have any questions, please contact the school office. Have a great week.

*Best wishes,*

*Lucia Santi, Headteacher*

## KEY DATES

**Thursday 22nd October, 1.45pm** — Family Workshop at The Grove, Function of Behaviour

**Friday 23rd October** — End of term

**26th to 30th October** — Half term

**Monday 2nd November** — INSET Day

**Tuesday 3rd November** — Pupils back to school

## KEY REMINDER

Please remember that we are a **nut free school.**

**Allergy safety:** please tell the office promptly about a **new or suspected allergy**, or any change to your child's diagnosis, symptoms, medication or medical advice. Please send updated allergy action plans and clinic letters.

Thank you to everyone who came to yesterday's coffee morning. A great turnout and lovely to chat with you all.



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## SEND PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT EVENT: THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

The **SEND Pathways to Employment Event** is taking place on **Thursday 5th November 2026, from 12.00pm to 2.30pm, at Haringey Sixth Form College.**

The event is open to **young people aged 16 to 25 with SEND, their families, carers and professionals.** On the day you will be able to:

Learn more about Supported Internships and Supported Employment opportunities.
Meet a range of employment support organisations, including Mencap, Haringey Works, Ambitious about Autism, Shaw Trust, West Lea and Tottenham Hotspur Foundation.
Find out about workplace support, Access to Work and reasonable adjustments.
Speak with services providing specialist SEND employment advice for Haringey residents.
The event is **free to attend**, but you need to register in advance. Full details, including how to register, are on the event flyer.

With best wishes, Amal Mumin, Supported Employment Officer, Haringey Council.

## HARINGEY COFFEE MORNING: PARENTS AND CARERS OF AUTISTIC CHILDREN

Come and meet other parents and carers in Haringey at this informal coffee morning. Staff from Haringey's diagnostic service for children up to age 12 will be there to answer questions and hear about your experiences.

**Wednesday 14th October 2026, 10am to 11.30am.** Chestnuts Community Centre, 280 St Ann's Road, N15 5BN. More details: www.sendpowerinharingey.org

## HARINGEY ADHD AND EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING WORKSHOP

Come and learn more about executive functioning and how it can affect children and young people with ADHD. There are two ways to take part.

**In person, Tuesday 20th October 2026, 10am to 12pm.** Chestnuts Community Centre, 280 St Ann's Road, N15 5BN. Book here: Eventbrite, in person workshop

**Online webinar, Wednesday 21st October 2026, 1pm to 2pm.** Book here: Eventbrite, online webinar