

THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

Keeping you up to date

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Spring Term Week 9

Happy Red Nose Day! In assembly today, as well as celebrating our Stars of the Week, we learned a little bit about what Comic Relief is about and how it helps lots of people who are not as lucky as us – all by making people laugh or holding cakes sales. Thank you if you donated cakes – they were a real treat at the end of a week. We will let you know how much we raised for Comic Relief in next week's newsletter.

It has been a pleasure to work with other schools in our consortium this week – I had a headteacher meeting and Miss Byrne hosted a moderation session with other Early Years colleagues, looking at the work that children are doing across each of the schools. Mrs Hewitt, from Lawrence Sheriff, who teaches PSHE on a Tuesday turned up in her dressing gown with her teddy bear, as she was teaching about how important sleep is to keep us fit and healthy! Tomorrow is the FROGS' Table Top Sale – we hope to see lots of you there from 11am-2pm.

Scarlet Fever

We have sent all parents a message via Class Dojo and have also sent home some paper copies to inform you that we have had a couple of confirmed cases of Scarlet Fever and several suspected cases. Please be vigilant for any of the symptoms, as this is very contagious. Once antibiotics have been started, children can return to school 24 hours after their first dose.

Items from Home

We seem to be getting quite a few items from home being brought into school unnecessarily. These could get lost or broken and then only cause upset. Please check that children do not bring things in. Occasionally, there may be items to do with the half-termly theme or other learning that children want to bring in – if this is the case please send a Dojo message to let the teachers know. From next term, if we see items which should not be in school, we will look after them for your child until the end of that week, when we will return it to you.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Next Friday, we are holding an Easter Bonnet Competition and Parade. If children would like to decorate a hat to represent Spring and/or Easter, it is 50p to enter, payable on ParentPay. Please do not feel that you need to spend a lot on this – items to decorate could be made from readily available materials eg paper, artificial flowers or items from the natural environment. It is 50p to enter and there is a prize for every entry. At 2.45pm we will parade our 'bonnets' and parents are welcome to join us.



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Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our stars of the week: **Nursery** – Archie for joining in with lessons and beginning to find his voice. He has great 'listening ears' too! **Reception** – Zainab for amazing progress since September and always 'having a go', even when things seem hard!



The winning house this week is... Emerald! Well done to everyone in Emerald House.

Rainbow Learning

Congratulations to the reception children who received their rainbow Learning Certificate this morning. Keep up the good work!

'Allsorts' Magazine

Here is the link to the March/May digital version of 'Allsorts' magazine

https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS MARMAY24

- you can **tap** straight to advertisers' websites too when viewing the magazine on your phone (please mention 'Allsorts'). There are lots of attraction to visit, services and articles to help your family. You can view this issue at <u>www.allsortsmag.com</u> too or on the 'Allsorts' Facebook page soon.

Easter Fun

Market Hall Museum is hosting a range of activities this Easter, and have asked schools to include the details in our newsletter. The web link is here to find out more: https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/whats

Dates for the Diary

16/03 – FROGS Table Top Sale (11am-2pm, £10 a table) 21/03 – Warwickshire Music EYFS Singing Stars 22/03 FROGS Easter Bonnet Parade and competition (50p entry – prize for all entries. Parade at 2.45pm – parents welcome) 22/03 - Last day of Spring Term 25/03 – EASTER HOLIDAY 08/04 – First Day of Summer Term 06/05 - Bank Holiday Monday 20/05 – Book Fair in school all week 27/05 to 31/05 - Half Term 03/06 - Second half term starts 05/06 – Class Group Photos 11/06 - New Intake Parents' Information Evening (for our September Nursery and Reception families - 6pm) 18/06 – Year 1 Parents' Information Evening (tbc) 28/06 - New Intake 'getting to know you' session (am) 04/07 – New Intake 'getting to know you' session (pm) 05/07 - Sports Day (1.30pm) 08/07 - Reserve Sports Day (1.30pm) 10/07 – Move Up Morning (Children will spend some time with their new teacher in their new classroom where possible) 12/07 – Annual Reports out to parents 15/07 - Open Classrooms (2.45pm) 18/07 – End of Term

19/07 – Teacher Training Day

TABLE TOP SALE TOMORROW 11am-2pm



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