



# THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

## Keeping you up to date

The Griffin Primary School  
Lower Lodge Avenue  
Rugby  
Warwickshire  
CV21 1NU

Headteacher: Mrs. Alison Hine  
Telephone: 01788 249115  
[www.thegriffinprimary.co.uk](http://www.thegriffinprimary.co.uk)



### Summer Term Week 8

Have we really only been back one week? There has been so much going on, it seems hard to believe! Miss Byrne and Mrs Cole spent Tuesday visiting lots of local Nurseries, getting to know the new children who will be joining Reception next year. Mr Pouton and his team were pleased to welcome an EYFS colleague who we are working with on a project focused on Communication and Language Development. We were pleased to host both the Early Years Network and Early Years Consortium meetings after school this week and the current fencing work has been completed. As you will see, the grounds maintenance team have been busy and the school is looking really smart. As well as all of this we had our class photos – the children really impressed the photographer as they were very sensible. This week, both classes have started their new topics – ‘Splash’ and ‘The Big Wide World’.

In Reception, the children have started their new story – The Magic Porridge Pot - been working on what ‘teen’ numbers are and creating art work in the style of Paul Klee. In Nursery, the children have listened to their new story – Handa’s Surprise – and had a very tasty ‘hook’ session, trying lots of delicious fruits – pineapple, avocado, orange and mango! They have also been learning about Warwickshire’s landmarks and children searched on Google Earth for places they have visited.

### Wraparound – changes in September

As we have been open for nearly a full academic year, we have been reviewing our provision based on what you have been using. From this evidence we have decided that, as it is only a very rare event that any children are here beyond 5.45pm, **we are changing our finish time from 6pm to 5.45pm**. This also makes wraparound more financially viable. There is good news, however. By doing this it means that prices per session will remain the same next year:

Breakfast session (7.45-8.45am) - £3.50

Drop off session (8.30-8.45am) - £1

Late pick up session (3.20-3.35pm)- £1

After School club session (3.20-4.20pm) - £3.50

Wraparound session, incl. snack (4.20-5.45pm) - £6.50

### Nursery April Starters Parents’ Evening

Mr Pouton is looking forward to meeting with parents of those children who joined us in April for your first Parents’ Evening on Tuesday. This will be held in the classroom but please come in via the front office.

### FROGS – Break the Rules Day

Your children always look so smart when they come to school, with neat hair, plain hair accessories and grey socks BUT next Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June, children are allowed to break these uniform rules! They can come to school with **mad hair/accessories and crazy socks!** For each rule broken, we are asking for a tombola prize as we have a stall at the forthcoming Family Fun Day on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

### New Intake Information Evening

On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm, we are looking forward to meeting our new cohorts of Reception and Nursery families at our Information Evening. Webb Ellis will have uniform samples available, Alex our school cook will be providing tasters of some of the meals, there will be information from GameOn, the school nursing team and our PTA – the FROGS. Mrs Paterson, our SENCO, will be available and of course, our staff will be here telling you what to expect as your children join their new year groups.

‘Happy, Kind and Confident’

## Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our stars of the week:

**Nursery** – Raegan, for growing in confidence in coming to Nursery and making lots of new friends.

**Reception** – Alex, for making such great improvements since joining us in February. He has also worked incredibly hard on developing his writing. Well done to both of them.

## House Points

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

## Hunts Book Fair

We have £16.73 commission to spend on new books for our children. Thank you for coming to the Book fair.

## New faces

Welcome to the latest 2 members of staff we have recruited – Mrs Kelly Ahern is our new Midday Supervisor and Mr Karl Hine is our new caretaker. We hope they will be very happy working with us.

## Year 1 Parents' Information Evening – Please Sign Up

We have currently had 12 responses from parents in Reception to say that they will be coming along to the Year 1 Information parents' evening, at which you will find out more about the curriculum and how the children will be learning, as well as meeting the Year 1 teaching team. If you want to attend but have not yet replied please use the link below to respond. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/4SXwjLnban>

## Parent Survey

We are always keen to develop and improve and so each year we will be issuing a parent survey, to see what you think we are doing well and what we can improve. This will be coming out next week and we would like it returned by the 8<sup>th</sup> July, so that we can collate the responses and action anything we feel is required.

Thanks.

## Dates for the Diary

**11/06 – New Intake Parents' Information Evening** (for our September Nursery and Reception families - 6pm)

**14/06 – FROGS 'Break the Rules' Day** –information on page 1

**18/06 – Year 1 Parents' Information Evening** (6pm- children welcome)

**20/06 – FROGS Meeting** (7pm at school)

**21/06 – New Nursery Intake Stay and Play** (10-11am)

**26/06 - New Nursery Intake Stay and play** (1.30- 2.30pm)

**28/06 – New Reception Intake 'getting to know you' session** (9.45-10.45am)

**03/07 – New Reception Intake 'getting to know you' session** (1.15-2.15pm) (change from 4<sup>th</sup> due to election)

**04/07 – School Closed - Polling Station**

**05/07 – Sports Day** (1.30pm – parents welcome)

**08/07 – Reserve Sports Day** (1.30pm)

**10/07 – Move Up Morning** (All children, including new YR and YN pupils, spend time with their new teacher in their new classroom - if possible!)

**12/07 – FROGS Dress Down Day & Disco** – further information to follow!

**12/07 – Annual Reports out to parents**

**15/07 – Open Classrooms** (2.45pm –parents welcome)

**18/07 – Nursery 'moving on' celebration** – (9.15am – all N2 parents welcome)

**18/07 – Reception Class Graduation from EYFS** – (11.15am – all parents welcome)

**18/07 – Family Picnic & our 'end of our first year' party** - 12pm (all families welcome)

**18/07 - End of Term – Summer Holiday**

**19/07 – Staff Training Day**