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Grouville School

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A couple of highlights to share from the last two weeks...Year 6 enjoyed their trip to Jersey Dairy to learn all about island trade as part of their Geography unit. They saw lots of machinery that Jersey Milk use to produce and package products such as yogurts, butter, long life milk and ice cream. And the best bits...the blue hairnets and tasting the milk and ice-cream - yummy! Year 1 had a great time exploring Hamptonne in the frosty sunshine. They saw lots of woodland creatures and enjoyed making habitats from natural materials.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week we will be using our PSHE time to reflect on this year's theme of **My Voice Matters** empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. You can find out more at <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/#resources> We hope you find the Top Tips attached helpful!

PSA Update

EYFS and KS1 are looking forward to their Hot Dog lunch today. Many thanks to all our organisers and helpers. Don't forget to sign up for the PSA's Valentine's Pizza Box offer for the 9 February - what a great way to start Half Term! Our next PSA meeting is on the 20 February at 6pm - please come and join us.



Grouville's Big Read!

Our 'story in a jar' collection is growing and growing. Please pop in to see them during Parent Consultations in the KS2 Library. The final date for entries is the 9 Feb.

February's Big Read Challenge is to send in a photo of reading somewhere unusual! Photos can be printed or sent via email to bigread@grouville.sch.je We would like to share the photos on our social media, so if you send it in via email we will take that as your consent.

In the meantime, don't forget to keep recording those reading miles!

Safer Internet Day 2024

It's Safer Internet Day next Tuesday and we always take the opportunity to revisit the importance of keeping safe online. At Grouville, we don't just wait for Safer Internet Day to have these conversations - they happen all year round! But it is a good day to make sure our messages are loud and clear and that children are making the right choices when they are online. It's also an opportunity to remind parents and carers to check that appropriate parental controls are in place and that that children are supervised online. Look out for more information coming your way next week!

Article 28: All children have the right to learn and go to school.

Article 29: All children have the right to become the best that they can be.



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Parent Consultations

Don't forget we have Parent Consultations for Y1 to Y6 next week (Tuesday and Thursday). Please ensure you arrive 10-15 minutes ahead of your appointment so you can look at your child's books. It is important that everyone adheres to the times of their appointments, to avoid any knock-on delays. KS2 children are expected to attend with their parents/ carers so that they are part of the conversation. KS1 children are welcome to attend too. Parking will be available in the school playground from 3:15pm onwards. Centrepont West will operate from the school hall.

Dates for the Diary...

2 Feb - EYFS & KS1 PSA Hot Dog Lunch
6 Feb - Safer Internet Day
6 & 8 Feb - Parent Consultations
9 Feb - PSA Valentine's PizzaBox Fundraiser
12 ~ 16 Feb - Half Term
21 Feb - Y5 Bikeability & Cross Country Event
23 Feb - KS2 PSA Hot Dog Lunch
27 Feb - Class Photos
28 & 29 Feb - French Eisteddfod
7 Mar - World Book Day
27 Mar - Last day of Spring Term/ PSA Dressdown Fundraiser

Parent/ Carers' Forum

Thank you to everyone who attended - the minutes have been uploaded to our Parent Forum page on the school website.

A few reminders...

Please, please...

- Drive considerately and carefully when exiting the track drive (adjacent to the playing field). Please be extra vigilant of children and adults crossing as this can be a very busy stretch of road.
- do not park/ wait in the staff car park.

Thank you!

School Uniform Update

We are yet to formalise any future arrangements for our school uniform, but it is very probable that we will have to use a UK online provider. Consensus and feedback from Parent Forum and recent school surveys indicates that we will keep the majority of our uniform as it is, with a potential change to the school tracksuit. We are very sad that JSSK has made the decision to cease trading in the next few months - they have provided a wonderful service to our families and have done their very best to secure value for money and quality for us. We will keep you informed as and when we have alternative arrangements in place.

*Wishing everyone a very safe
and Happy Half Term!*