

Grove House Infant and Nursery School

4th October 2023



We're a few weeks into the new school year and the children seem happy and settled into their new classes, showing a brilliant attitude to their learning. Welcome to all our new children and families who have joined us this term.

Please remember if you have any concerns or worries please speak to your child's teacher as staff want to work in partnership with you.

Mrs Sarah Charman (Executive Headteacher)

Attendance at School

Gates Open at 8.30am & Close at 9.00am



- Registration is open from 8:50am until 9:00am.
 Any child arriving late, but before 9:20am will be marked late (L on the register).
- If a child arrives after 9:20am they will be marked as 'U' –Registration closed. This is regarded as an unauthorised absence unless an explanation is given and accepted as grounds for authorising the late arrival.
- Late arrivals Children arriving late must come into school by the office entrance giving a reason for the lateness. Arriving late can cause disruption to your child's daily routines.
- Illness— if your child is ill, you need to contact the office before 9.30am and give a valid reason for your child's absence.
- Medical Appointment—We understand that there are times when the only doctor/ dentist appointment available is during school time. Please ensure you provide the school with evidence (an appointment slip, text message or prescription) and let the school office know.
- Afternoon registration will take place at 1pm and the registers will close at 1.10pm.
- We regularly monitor the children's attendance.
 Anyone whose attendance is below 92% may be asked to attend an Attendance Meeting.

GROVE HOUSE EATS CAKE FOR CHARITY!



We would like to invite you and your children to a charity fund raising Coffee and Cake

afternoon to support Macmillan Breast Cancer on Tuesday 10th October at 2.30pm. We have a few charity stalls and a raffle so please bring your pennies to win prizes.

We would like to ask for cake donations to be brought into school on *Monday 9th October*. These will be served at the Coffee and Cake afternoon and any leftover will be sold by the School Council on *Wednesday 11th October* after school.

On *Friday 20th October* join us and wear pink to school for a small donation.

Things to bring to School

- Water Bottle—no juice
- * Book Bag—with reading book/library book
- * Coat
- Wellies (Nursery and Reception)

Please make sure <u>ALL</u> clothes, shoes, coats, wellies, bags etc are named.

Before School Club

Grove House and King's Park both run a before school club each morning. We charge £2.50 per session, payment must be made on Parent Pay.

We ask that all accounts are kept up to date

Before School Club starts at 7.45am and children will be dropped off at their classrooms at 8.45am

School Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart in their school uniform. Please ensure that they come to school in uniform every day.

PE

PE kit should be in school for your child's PE day. On these days children will need black shorts or black jogging bottoms/leggings, white t-shirt and trainers. They should also wear their school sweatshirt/cardigan.

Pupil Premium

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Registering for free meals also raises extra funding for school to fund valuable support.

To check if you are eligible please visit: https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-andlearning/schools/school-meals-and-milk

Norfolk County Council has introduced the Norfolk Cost of Living Support Scheme, to support families in need. This includes a monthly voucher award for children eligible for means-tested free school meals (FSM). To ensure you don't miss out, please apply using the link above.

Forest Schools

Children in Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to take part in Forest School activities on alternate Thursdays. They should come to school in suitable outdoor clothing and with wellies in a named bag.





The Federation of Grove House and **King's Park Infant Schools**



We would like to invite all prospective parents of children due to start school in September 2024 to tour our schools

King's Park Infant School

Tuesday 10th October Monday 16th October Wednesday 8th November

Grove House Infant School

Thursday 12th October Wednesday 18th October Thursday 9th November

All tours start at 1.30pm

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To book a place onto one of our tours please contact 01362 694379

office@ghn.unity-ed.uk

Dates for your Diary

Macmillan Breast Cancer Afternoon Tea:

Mon 9th October Cake donations Tues 10th October, 2.30pm Afternoon Tea Wed 11th October Cake Sale Thurs 12th October, 9.30am Harvest Festival Mon 16th October, 3.15-5.30 **Parents Evening** Wed 18th October, 3.15-6.00 **Parents Evening** Tues 31st October, 4.00-5.30 School Disco Tues 7th November **School Photos** Tues 29th November Flu Vaccinations Fri 15th December, 2.30pm Christmas Fayre

Term Dates

Half Term

School Closes - Friday 20th October

Christmas Holidays

School Closes—Wednesday 20th December School Opens—Thursday 4th January

Half Term

School Closes—Friday 16th February

Easter Holidays

School Closes—Wednesday 27th March

Half Term

School Closes—Friday 24th May

Summer Holidays

School Closes—Friday 19th July

School Opens—Monday 30th October

School Opens—Monday 26th February

School Opens-Monday 15th April

School Opens—Monday 3rd June