

# GROVE HOUSE SCHOOL



**Newsletter, 14th September 2018**

## Welcome Back

Welcome back everyone! We hope everyone had a wonderful relaxing summer break and are now ready for another successful year at Grove House. A warm welcome to our new pupils, parents, carers and our new staff who have joined Grove House. All our children have settled in very quickly so an amazing well done to everyone!

## Staff News

As Grove House grows so does our staff team. A special welcome to our new staff; Mrs Viljoen as Class UV teacher, our new Speech and Language Therapists; Miss Coles and Miss Gosling, our new LSA's; Mrs Palmer, Mrs Hardcastle, Mrs Hill and Mrs Darko-Mensah. Mrs Kirk joins us as a Student Support Manager.



## PTFA News



Our lovely PTFA have organised a Family Barn Dance on Saturday 6th October from 5:15pm to 8:30pm. Please do come along with your friends and family. We would love to see everyone there. Tickets cost £7 each or 4 tickets for £25. Please get in touch via the school office if you would like any tickets. Thank you.



Our first PTFA meeting this academic year is on Thursday 11th October at 6:15pm at Grove House. Everyone is very welcome so please do come along and join us. New parents/carers.....this will a great opportunity to get to meet other parents/carers!

PTFA Christmas Bazaar will be held towards the end of November. If you would like to help out please drop us a note via the school office. Thank you.



## Fundraising



One of our staff member, Mrs Maslen, is taking part in the Snowdonia Marathon on 27th October 2018. She is raising funds for a indoor climbing wall for Grove House. Please support Mrs Maslen and help her reach her target of £600. You can donate via [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/nicolaann-maslen](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/nicolaann-maslen). Thank you for your support.



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## Exam News

Congratulations to our older pupils who received their exam results during the summer holidays. We are extremely pleased to announce that all our pupils have passed their Maths and English accreditations in either Entry Level, Functional Skills , Award or GCSE Foundation Level. Well done everyone! They are now working towards their next level of accreditation. Keep up the hard work!



## Summer Improvements Update

- New stage lights in school hall
- Playground resurfaced
- Service Road has been resurfaced
- Work for the new outside gym equipment was delayed but now being fitted over the next week
- Similarly a delay in the sensory room products. This will now be partially installed next week.



## School Uniform

Please can you ensure that all school uniform is labelled clearly with your child's name. Thank you.



## Sickness & Absences

A little reminder about the procedure for pupil absences. If your child is not in school for whatever reason please call the school office before 9am. If you ring before the school office opens please leave a message on the answerphone. The school office number is 01277 361 498. Please do not rely on the taxi company to pass messages on. Thank you.



## Healthy Snacks

All pupils are permitted to bring in a healthy snack for break times. Please remember we are a nut free school. Also grapes must be cut in half lengthwise. We have a Tuck Shop which opens at morning break for all pupils to purchase healthy snacks and drinks.



## Mrs Newton

As you are all probably aware Mrs Newton, Deputy Head, has not been very well over the last year. She is well on the road to recovery and re-joins us this term on a part time basis. Mrs Newton has decided to take early retirement at the end of this term although will remain very much involved with the school.

## Dates for your diary

- Sat 6th Oct:** PTFA Barn Dance
- Tues 11th Oct:** PTFA meeting 6:15pm
- Wed 17th Oct:** Class and Individual Photos
- Mon 22nd Oct:** Half Term week
- Mon 5th Nov:** School closed for pupils



We would value your comments on any matters relating to your child's education at Grove House School. Please address these to Miss Christodoulides, Head Teacher