

## Newsletter, 16th November 2018

### Class LR visit to Cinema

Class LR pupils have been learning about Christmas around the world and how different countries and cultures celebrate it and why. As part of this topic Class LR took a visit to the cinema yesterday to watch the film "The Man Who Invented Christmas". Our pupils really enjoyed the film and found it very interesting. Everyone had a lovely time.



### Class UH to Chelmsford College

Last Wednesday our Class UH pupils went to Chelmsford College to participate in a real live college experience in preparation for adulthood and life beyond Grove House. This was as part of their "Applying for Jobs and Courses" PSHE module which prepares students for moving on Post 16. They were a credit to Grove House, which was quickly acknowledged via email by the college staff who supported our visit there. This trip provided an opportunity to see the college environment at its busiest; something that has concerned some of our students as they begin to think about future placements. They were all reassured and pleasantly surprised at just how comfortable they felt among the hustle and bustle of the campus and existing students. After a tour around the building and introduction to some key areas and staff we enjoyed a break in the Refectory, before returning back to school.



## Remembrance Day



Last Friday a small group of pupils accompanied staff to the Brentwood War Memorial to observe the Royal British Legion's service of remembrance. The service also included an unveiling of a commemorative VC paving stone to honour Sergeant William Merrifield of 4th Battalion. We are extremely proud of how our pupils represented Grove House.



## From the PTFA



Despite the recent break-in to the schools storage shed and the theft of some of our Bazaar items, the Grove House Christmas Bazaar will still be going ahead on Saturday 1st December 1pm to 3pm. Thank you everyone who had already donated items, unfortunately some items were stolen including bottles, sweets, and toiletries. As before we are collecting for the following items if you can help out;

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| <b>Luxury food items</b> | <b>Toiletries</b>                |
| <b>Candles</b>           | <b>Baskets to use as hampers</b> |
| <b>Spirits</b>           | <b>Bottles of wine</b>           |
| <b>Shampoo</b>           | <b>Sweets and chocolates</b>     |
| <b>Ketchup</b>           | <b>Soft toys</b>                 |
| <b>Cakes</b>             | <b>Christmas decorations</b>     |

If you can help out during the Bazaar please do get in touch. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

Thank you

Caroline Hood, PTFA



*Reminder -  
E-Safety session  
for parents  
Mon 26th Nov*

**Girls on the Autism Spectrum**  
discussion and catch-up event

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**  
**11:15am to 1:15pm**

Following the success of our previous Girls on the Autism Spectrum discussion events, SNAP is inviting families with daughters on the spectrum to come in and share their experiences with each other.

It will also be an opportunity for you to raise questions and explore the specific resources in SNAP's library.

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The poster features a decorative border at the top and bottom consisting of a row of colorful paper figures in shades of pink, purple, and white, holding hands.

## Dates for your diary



- Fri 23rd Nov:** Laughter Specialist in
- Mon 26th Nov:** The 2 Johns E-Safety session for parents
- Wed 28th Nov:** Music Workshop for Lower School
- Sat 1st Dec:** PTFA Christmas Bazaar 1pm—3pm
- Mon 3rd Dec:** Whole School photograph
- Fri 7th Dec:** Laughter Specialist in
- Mon 10th Dec:** Robin Hood - Imagination Theatre
- Thurs 13th Dec:** Christmas Lunch
- Thurs 20th Dec:** Christmas Assembly
- Fri 21st Dec:** Last day of Term

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