

GRAYSHOTT CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Acorns to Mighty Oaks'

Newsletter 17 – Friday 24th January 2025



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OUR SCHOOL VALUES ARE:

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DATES COMING UP

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Dear Parents and Carers

This week in Collective Worship, I spoke to the children about Psalm 23 and how David trusted God as his shepherd. We talked about the idea of 'following' and how sometimes the association with sheep can be a negative one. We don't want to feel like we're just blindly following someone without thinking for ourselves. That's why we need to choose the people we follow carefully and make sure they are deserving of our trust. Inspiration is a vital thing in our lives and it is so important that we find people who lead us well to finding our own path. The children mentioned all sorts of inspirations but mostly you, their parents. It's a humbling position to be in, and one that stirs us to be the best examples we can.

Beyond parents and family, there are many people who inspire us. For me, I was saddened last week to learn of the passing of film-maker David Lynch. He was one of my inspirations from the age of 14 and has been a major influence on my creative work, leading me to many friendships, projects and experiences without ever knowing me. I hope you won't mind if I share this as an example of how someone we don't ever meet in person can be influenced by the work we do and the way we live our lives.

Mr Austin



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Silver Class at Young Voices

So proud of our **Silver Class** children who sang their hearts out yesterday at The O2 Young Voices event in London. Miss Hesselmann, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Buxton were very proud of the group for their behaviour and participation which were exemplary. Thanks to all the adults who helped make this happen. I'm sure the children will remember this for a very, very long time.



Grayshott Football

Congratulations to our boys from the Grayshott Flames under 9's football team, who had a great result in their cup match against Chineham Tigers. In an early kick-off, Toby, Rory, Aaron, Ollie, Benji and Sami were all part of an 8-2 demolition. This included goals from Benji and Rory and a super hat-trick from Sami. Well done boys!



Grayshott Children on National TV



Great to see Sandi Toksvig's documentary series out on Channel 4. It's available on streaming now and you can see some of our wonderful children who were in it from the summer. It's great viewing so I recommend.

I see that I even managed to wheedle my way onto national television, so I can tick that off the list.




Basketball at Bohunt

A group of children from **Yellow** and **Blue** Classes went over to Bohunt on Tuesday to take part in a basketball festival as part of our school sports partnership. They worked on their skills, met children from other local schools and represented us very well indeed.



Pancake Day Lunch

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County Council
Education Catering

PANCAKE DAY
4th March 2025

Menu
Choose from:

- Veggie Cottage Pie
- Chicken Nuggets with diced potatoes
- Tomato Pasta

All served with
vegetables of the day or salad

Pancake with golden syrup or fresh fruit

A change to the menu for Tuesday 4th March, to celebrate Pancake Day. Please order through the usual channels on ScoPay.

Purple Class Hit the Lights

Purple Class were experimenting with light and shadow as part of their scientific studies. They were using materials and pictures to find out how light passes through.



Film Club

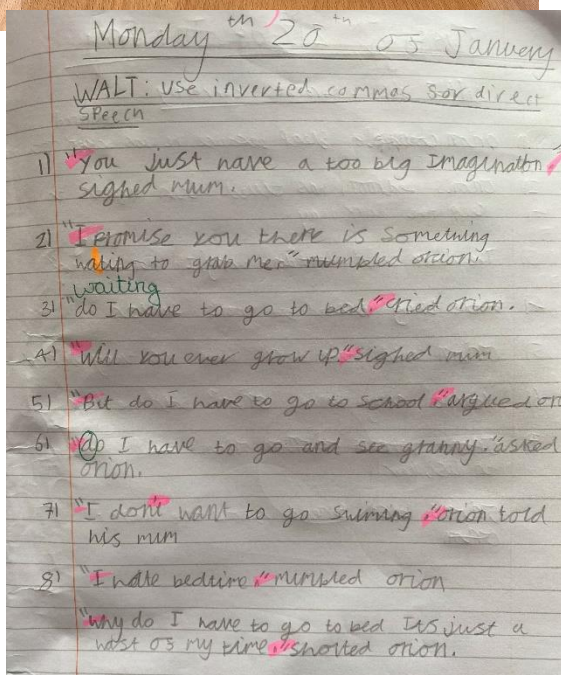
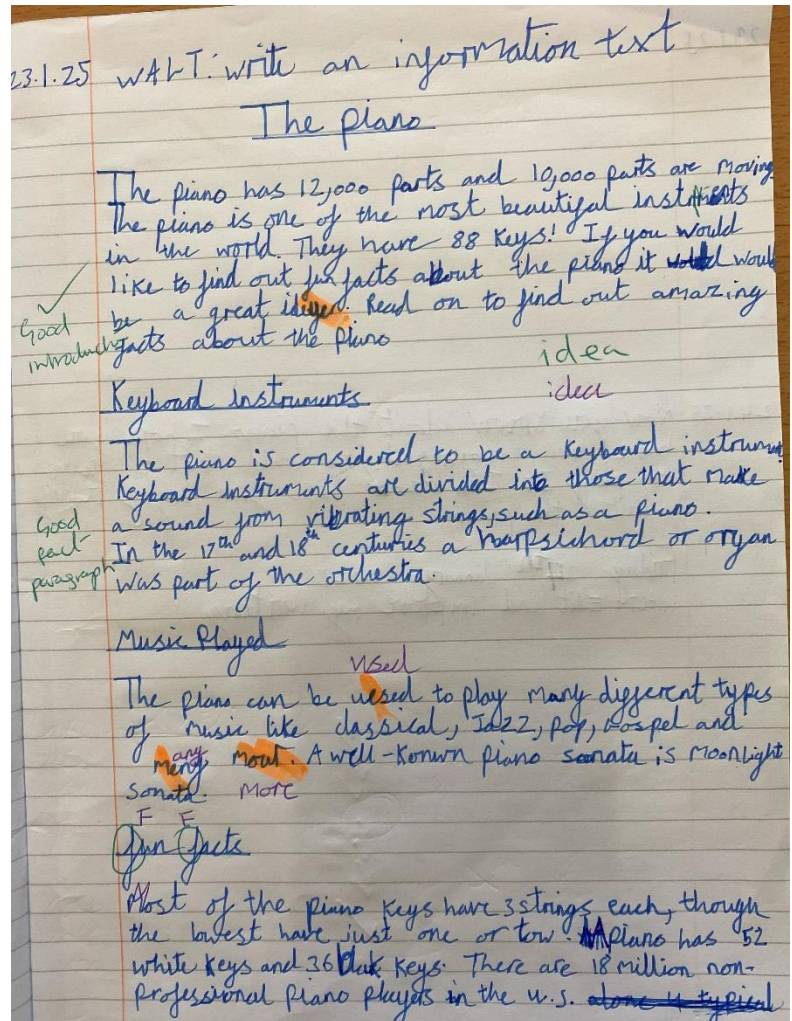
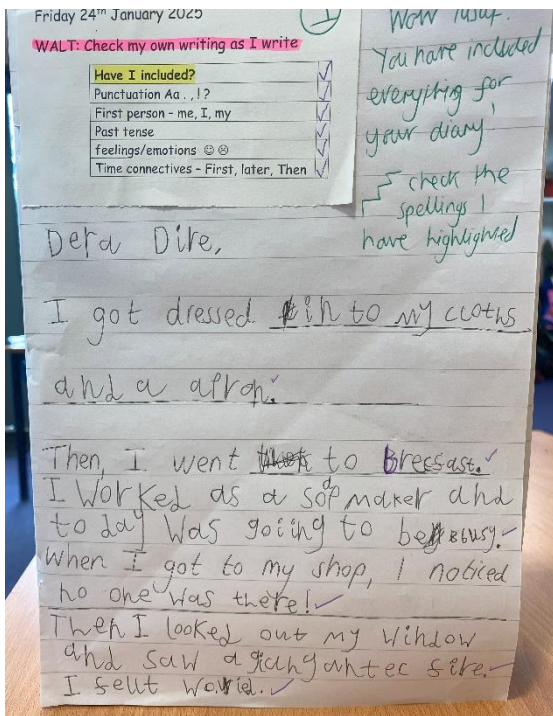
Mrs Sangar began her Film Club this week. The children watched the first half of 'If'.

Film Club is offered through a charity called Into Film, who champion and realise the potential of film, cinema and moving image to create inspiring, inclusive learning experiences. The first session went very well and it is nice to be able to offer this in our school.



Writers' Corner

Three pieces to share with you this week that show different aspects of English across the school: a diary entry from Yusuf in **Blue Class**, some work on speech punctuation from Tiggy in **Purple Class**, and a non-chronological report on the piano by Alice in **Green Class**. Well done to all!



Weekly Reflection

"Ideas are like fish. If you want to catch little fish, you can stay in the shallow water. But if you want to catch the big fish, you've got to go deeper. Down deep, the fish are more powerful and more pure. They're huge and abstract. And they're very beautiful."

David Lynch (20 Jan 1946 – 15 Jan 2025)



PTA News and Notices

We have teamed up with PTA Events to help make everything PTA related easier to manage – please click [here](#) to register your details and have access to all our exciting news, tickets and other information.

Movie Night

Please see details below or use the link [here](#) to book your tickets for Movie Night.

MOVIE NIGHT
GRAYSHOTT SCHOOL PTA

TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY
3.15PM-5.15PM

FEATURING

YEARS R&1
Mini Movies

YEARS 2-6
Inside Out 2

Enjoy the tasty snacks, treats and drinks

£5
TICKET FOR
SNACKS & DRINKS

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/grayshott-primary/index.cfm>

Ticket buying deadline is 8pm Sun 9th February

Community News

News from Haslemere Museum



ADOPT A PANE Support the Museum

Haslemere Museum is raising vital funds for maintenance of its listed Georgian building on Haslemere High Street.

Find out how you can help at
haslemere-museum.co.uk/adoptapane



Adopt a Pane appeal

Haslemere Educational Museum operates as a charity and it has launched a new appeal to raise vital funds for the maintenance of its listed Georgian building on Haslemere High Street. Supporters are being asked to adopt one of its window panes. Details of how to adopt a pane can be found on the Museum's website at haslemere-museum.co.uk/adoptapane

Woolmer Hill Presents.....

WOOLMER HILL SCHOOL PRESENTS

SISTER ACT



12TH - 14TH FEBRUARY 2025
DOORS 6:30PM
CURTAIN 7:00PM

ADULT £10
CONCESSION £8
FOR TICKETS PLEASE EMAIL
INFO@WOOLMERHILL.SURREY.SCH.UK



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Dear Parents

We are **starting our new Beaver Colony at 4.45pm on Monday 24th February**, at our headquarters in Beacon Hill. Beaver Scouts are for boys and girls, aged six and seven and the meetings, taking place before Cubs, will usually last for 1 hour until 5.45pm.

If you'd like your child, aged between six and eight in February to join our Beavers, then please drop Jean a line on arrickjean@gmail.com.

The exciting news is that we expect to start with between six and ten Beavers, depending upon our volunteer availability. But if we recruit enough adults, then we will be able to offer exciting 'skills for life' and lots of fun to lots more young people.

Jean has agreed to lead the Beaver Volunteer team, and so far we've recruited Katie as a member of the team. To really get going we need some more volunteers. We need to be sure, for example, that we have sufficient volunteers to be able to take our Beavers for adventures away from our headquarters.

- A couple more reasonably regular team members would be great. This means becoming a Scout member and hopefully being able to attend at least a couple of meetings each month. There will be a training commitment, but it's not terribly onerous. Five online modules that each take around 30 to 40 minutes. You'll find them under 'Growing Roots' in the learning section of scouts.org.uk if you'd like to check them out, and there's six months to complete them. And there'll be a First Response course to attend sometime. As a member of the team you'd also be involved in the planning of programme and activities.
- Some 'Helpers'. Several volunteers for whom we'll have applied for a DBS and will have completed just the Safety & Safeguarding modules. Then be available to support the leader team when possible, maybe once a month, or just to help occasionally with more 'adventurous' activities.
- As a commitment, we will be expecting all families with a child in our Beaver Colony to help once a term. We will need a parent to keep an eye on this and to make a rota, and it will be each parents responsibility if they cannot attend their meeting to arrange for someone else to help.

Please do remember, as we discussed, it doesn't have to be parents who are volunteers. *But it does depend upon parents to find volunteers*; maybe grandparents, or neighbours, or friends? And I'll add that we'd really like a few volunteers (who might not want to volunteer with our young people?) who'd like to help with maintenance & renovation of our building & land.

If you want to check out what Beavers get up to, or you'd like more information, then please do look at www.scouts.org.uk And of course, you can contact me by email or phone as below.

Keith Clayton

Group Lead Volunteer, 1st Hindhead Scout Group.

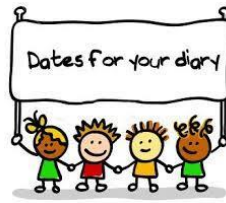
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Half Term

Monday 24th

Return to school

March 2025

Tuesday 4th

PTA Coffee morning in the Community Room, 8.45am-9.45am

Thursday 6th

World Book Day

Wednesday 12th

Blue Class Cake Sale, 3.15pm

Tuesday 25th

Student Progress Meetings, 3.40pm-6.10pm – details to follow

Thursday 27th

Student Progress Meetings, 4.20pm-7.20pm – details to follow

April 2025

Wednesday 2nd

PTA Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

Friday 4th

Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only

Friday 4th

End of term, collect 1.15pm

w/c Monday 7th and 14th

Easter Holiday

Monday 21st

Easter Monday

Tuesday 22nd

Back to school

Tuesday 29th April

PTA Coffee morning in the Community Room, 8.45am-9.45am

May 2025

Monday 5th

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 6th

Back to school

Wednesday 7th

Purple Class Cake Sale, 3.15pm

Friday 16th

School Group Photos

Wednesday 21st

PTA Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

Friday 23rd

Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only

w/c Monday 26th

Half Term

June 2025

Monday 2nd

Return to school

Tuesday 10th

PTA Coffee morning in the Community Room, 8.45am-9.45am

Wednesday 11th

PTA Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

July 2025

Tuesday 1st

Woolmer Hill Transition Day

Wednesday 9th

Silver Class Cake Sale, 3.15pm



w/c Monday 14th
Wednesday 16th
Friday 18th
Friday 18th
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Monday 21st
Tuesday 22nd

Silver Class to Stubbington
PTA Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm
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End of term, collect 1.15pm
Silver Class return from Stubbington
Inset Day – school closed
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