

# GRAYSHOTT CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## 'Acorns to Mighty Oaks'

Newsletter 9 – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024



Have you liked and shared our Facebook page?



**LOVE**

OUR SCHOOL VALUES ARE:

**COURAGE**

**RESPECT**

**JOY**

Dear Parents and Carers

A shorter week to start the half term, and we've hit the ground running with all sorts happening in these first few days, not least **Gold Class'** trip to Henley Fort. Let's see what has been going on, and what's coming up.

Welcome back everyone,  
Mr Austin

### Wonderful Artwork

Some great artwork has been coming out of **Silver Class**, with children responding to various stimuli. Firstly, their English Learning Journey about *The Highwayman* produced some really striking images using charcoal and chalk.



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## Remembrance Art

Then **Silver Class** followed it up by producing these wonderful images ahead of Remembrance Day.



**Purple Class** made their own contribution to our Remembrance Display by creating a lovely display of poppies for the entranceway...





## Gold Class at Henley Fort

Fix bayonets!! It was **Gold Class'** chance to live as Brits did "*durin' the war*" this week. They got dressed up and fully immersed themselves in life as evacuees and members of the Home Guard. This is a wonderful experience for them and they learned loads from it. Thanks to the adults (staff and volunteers) who went with them and gave up their night to make this happen.





## Cultural Celebration Day – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November

We are excited to introduce our first **Cultural** Celebration Day. This will be an opportunity for our children to explore and learn about cultures that are new to them, or to share their own heritage and culture with our school community. We feel that this day will reinforce our school values of love, joy, respect and courage, whilst being a fun day for everyone to remember.



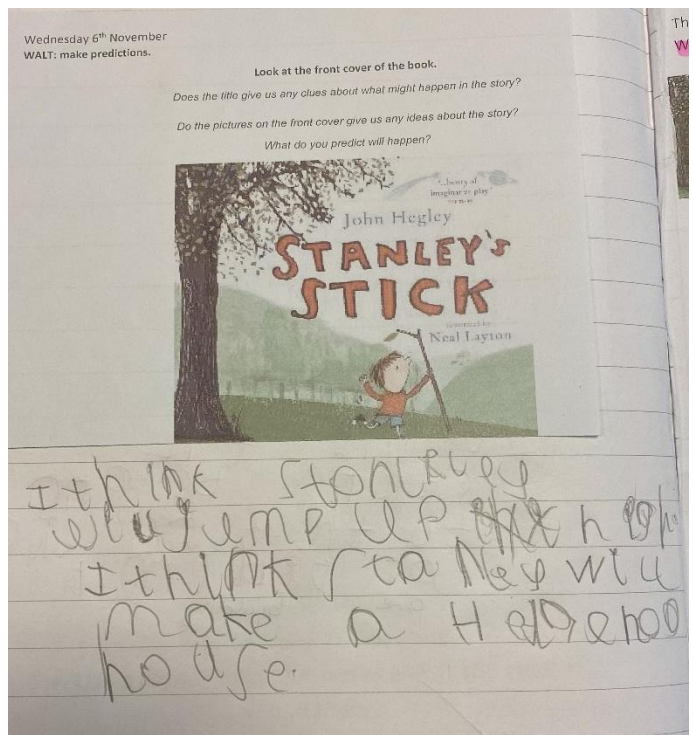
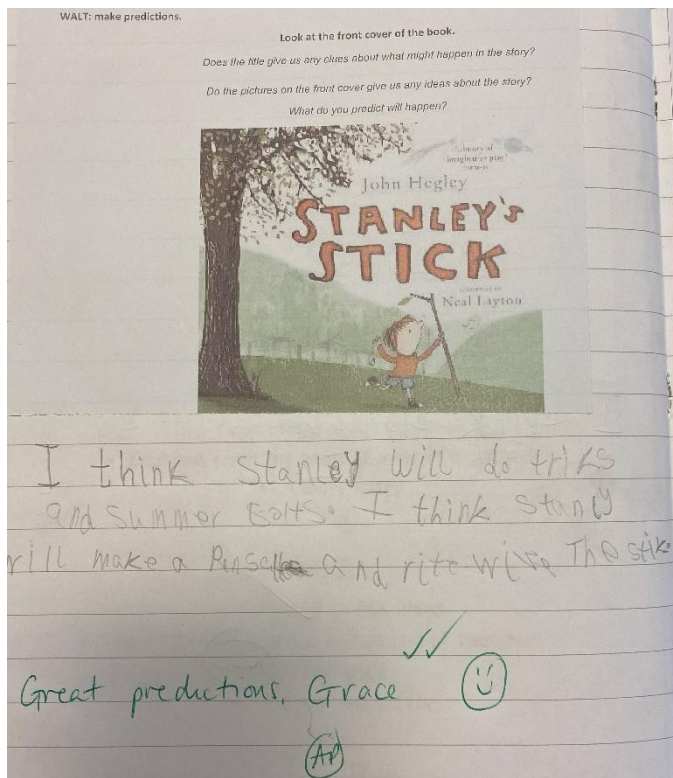
One particular focus of this special day will be **Diwali**. Diwali symbolises 'Victory of light over darkness and good over evil'. A message that in our current world is so needed. The children will learn about the significance of Diwali for Hindu and Sikh people, and participate in a range of activities. **We would love the children to come to school dressed in brightly coloured clothes or Indian clothes if you have them to help celebrate this festival.** Alternatively, if your child would like to share another culture with us, we would love to see them wear their own traditional clothes too (that would be easy for me; I'd just need to find a flat cap and borrow a whippet for the day).



We look forward to this day of celebration. Please chat with your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

## Writers' Corner

**Yellow Class** have been reading *Stanley's Stick*. Before they started though, they had to make predictions about what they thought the story might be about. Now, they say you should never judge a book by its cover (not sure if I 100% agree with that) but **Grace** and **Sylvia** certainly seemed to have some good ideas about what the story might entail.



### Student Progress Meetings



Student Progress Meetings take place on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>** November and should be available to book on ScoPay from Friday lunchtime onwards.

### Message from Red Class

"We are looking for donations of any unwanted Christmas decorations for **Red Class** please, no tinsel though because we have lots of that but not much of anything else. Thank you."

### Weekly Reflection

"We learn from failure, not from success!"

*Bram Stoker, born 8 November, 1847*



# 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.

## Thank You

*A massive **Thank You** to everyone who purchased resources from our Amazon Wishlists over the last few weeks. Over £380 worth of items were purchased. Your generosity is really appreciated by the whole school.*

## Message from Blue Class

Once again, we will be having our very popular Secret Santa stall at the Christmas Fair. This is where the children can come along to a secret stall and choose gifts for loved ones, that we will then wrap and they can write a gift tag for. For this to be a success we need any adult suitable items. Over the half term if you could please have a look round for any gifts/products you don't need...can be anything from an unwanted new candle, writing set, bubble bath to a set a new screwdrivers! Please place any items (in a bag labelled SS) in the PTA box outside the office after the half term. **Many thanks from Blue Class**



GRAYSHOTT PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA  
CHRISTMAS FAIR

# DONATIONS NEEDED PLEASE...



GRAYSHOTT PTA COFFEE MORNING

REHOME YOUR OUTGROWN

# Christmas Jumpers

JOIN US FOR A COFFEE & A CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP  
ON TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

BRING ALONG ANY OUTGROWN JUMPERS AND  
SWAP THEM FOR A REPLACEMENT IN THE SIZE YOU NEED

THERE WILL BE HOT DRINKS AND MINCE PIES AVAILABLE,  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM, 8:45 - 10AM



## SECRET SANTA STALL ITEMS



SUGGESTIONS OF SUITABLE ITEMS  
FOR ADULTS:

GIFT SETS | DRINKS | CANDLES  
STATIONARY | TOILETRIES | BOXED  
CHOCOLATES | SWEETS | WINE  
BOOKS | JEWELLERY

## JOLLY JAR ITEMS

HAVING A CLEAR OUT? WE'D LOVE YOUR  
LITTLE PLASTIC BITS & BOBS! ANYTHING  
THAT CAN BE USED TO FILL JARS (E.G.  
JEWELLERY, SMALL WORLD TOYS, PARTY  
BAG FILLERS ETC

## TEDDIES/SOFT TOYS

FOR OUR POPULAR TEDDY  
BEAR TOMBOLA!

Please place your items in the black PTA  
box outside the office between  
Tues 5th to Fri 22nd Nov

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**



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# Community News

## Message from Hindhead Scouts

We will be holding a Hindhead Beaver group promotion evening on Monday 18th November at 5pm in the Scout Hut, Cricket Close, Beacon Hill, Hindhead GU26 6RB. We would be grateful if you could let your parents and staff know they are welcome to come along (and bring children if they wish) if they are interested in their 6-8 year old son/daughter starting Beavers in Hindhead. The main purpose of this meeting is to get a group of volunteers who could form a team of adult helpers so that the Beaver group could get off the ground. Meetings would be every Monday at 5pm immediately before Cubs. Please contact [hindheadscouts@gmail.com](mailto:hindheadscouts@gmail.com) for more information.

## Haslemere Museum

Haslemere Museum [WhatsOn](#) booklet has information on activities up to December 2024.

## Other Information



**You're Invited to**  
**WAFFFL**  
Café Church for all the family

A relaxed family style service once a month. A perfect introduction to church. All ages. Wiggly bottoms, tapping toes and chattering hearts most welcome.

Great stories,  
Fun activities,  
Fun songs,  
Drinks, cakes and fruit  
New friends.

15th Sept 4pm  
20th Oct  
17th Nov

St Luke's Church, Grayshott,  
GU26 6LF  
[www.stlukes-grayshott.org](http://www.stlukes-grayshott.org)



## ATTENTION ALL ASDA SHOPPERS!

Please help Grayshott Primary School raise funds by opting in to Cashpot for Schools when you do your shopping.  
Thank you so much.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

We've teamed up with Joe Wicks to support UK primary schools through Cashpot for Schools.

Opt-in and we'll donate 0.5% of your total shop\* to your chosen primary school. This doesn't affect your personal Cashpot earnings.

Plus, we'll give them an extra £1 for every customer who chooses them!

\*Min spend £2, excludes George.com. T&Cs apply.

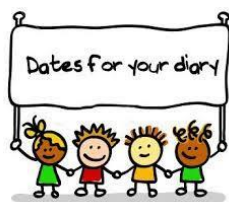
### OPT-IN TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

Follow these 3 steps to support schools...

- 1 Opt-in to Cashpot for Schools
- 2 Choose your school
- 3 You shop, we donate

Opt-in today

# Grayshott CE Primary School



## November 2024

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>  
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Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
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Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
w/c Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>

**PTA** Coffee Morning & Christmas Jumper Swap, 8.45am – 10am  
**Blue Class** visit to New Theatre Royal  
**PTA** Meeting  
**Cultural** Celebration Day – wear brightly coloured or Indian clothes  
Open Morning, 9.30am-11.30am  
**Purple** and **Green** Classes Workshop with Haslemere Museum  
**Red Class** EYFS Workshop, 2.15pm – 3.15pm in the school hall  
**Silver Class** visit Winchester Science Museum  
**PTA** Meeting  
No Teacher-led Clubs this week  
Student Progress Meetings 3.50pm-6.20pm  
**Purple Class** Recorder Concert to Parents, 9.10am – 9.30am  
Student Progress Meetings 4.20pm-7.20pm  
**PTA** Mufti Day – bottle donations  
**PTA** Christmas Fair  
**PTA** at Grayshott Christmas Light Switch on

## December 2024

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>  
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Monday 9<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup>  
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Pantomime  
**Red Class** Cake Sale  
**Red, Yellow** and **Blue** Classes Nativity, 2pm  
**Red, Yellow** and **Blue** Classes Nativity, 9.30am  
**PTA** Movie Night  
**Green Class** Music Concert to Parents, 9am in the hall – details to follow  
**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm  
**KS2** Carol Service at St Luke's Church, 6pm  
Christmas Lunch  
**PTA** Meeting  
Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only  
End of term, collect 1.15pm

## January 2025

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Return to school  
**PTA** Coffee morning in the Community Room, 8.45am-9.45am  
**Yellow Class** Cake Sale, 3.15pm  
**Silver Class** visit O2 Young Voices

## February 2025

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup>  
w/c Monday 17<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm  
Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only  
Half Term  
Return to school

## March 2025

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

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





Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

**Blue Class** Cake Sale, 3.15pm

### **April 2025**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Friday 4<sup>th</sup>

Friday 4<sup>th</sup>

w/c Monday 7<sup>th</sup>

w/c Monday 14<sup>th</sup>

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April

**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only

End of term, collect 1.15pm

Easter Holiday

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Easter Monday

Back to school

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

### **May 2025**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

w/c Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

Bank Holiday

Back to school

**Purple Class** Cake Sale, 3.15pm

School Group Photos

**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only

Half Term

### **June 2025**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>

Return to school

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

**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

### **July 2025**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>

w/c Monday 14<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>

Friday 18<sup>th</sup>

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup>

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Silver Class** Cake Sale, 3.15pm

**Silver Class** to Stubbington

**PTA** Tuck & Treasures, 3.15pm

Vision Ambassadors Assembly – by invite only

End of term, collect 1.15pm

**Silver Class** return from Stubbington

Inset Day – school closed

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