GRAYSHOTT CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Acorns to Mighty Oaks'

Newsletter 5 – Friday 9th October 2026



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OUR SCHOOL VALUES ARE:

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NEW DATES ADDED

October

Tuesday 13th	Harvest Service at St Luke's Church, 9.30am – **everyone welcome**

November

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DearPparents and Carers,

Thank you to those families who have already donated in support of our appeal on behalf of **Save the Children**. Reports show a collapsing glacier has caused a devastating flood in northern Nepal. The impact of the disintegrating rock and ice was so powerful it had the magnitude of a moderate earthquake, with debris then surging downstream. Waters rose without warning, leaving children and families with almost no time to reach safety. Villages, homes and lives have all been destroyed. Over 300 people have already been reported dead, with 900 still missing. These numbers keep rising – and now experts are warning that there could be a second flood coming. Roads and bridges have been swept away, and many areas are without power, internet, or mobile Just imagine what children in Nepal are going through right now. The shock, the fear, the confusion. Imagine watching your entire village being swept away in an instant. Many were on their way to school, others just starting classes. Some travel for miles to get to school and will be confused and alone, unable to get home because of blocked roads. We really appreciate your support for this important appeal. Please use the QR code to donate.

Richard Austin

Michael Rosen Poetry Competition 2026



We are very excited to be taking part in the **Michael Rosen Day 2026 Poetry Competition**!

This year's theme is **"Silly School Stuff"**, giving the children the chance to get creative and write their own funny poems about school. Their poem could be about a silly lesson, a crazy lunchtime, a funny school rule, a ridiculous school trip or anything else that happens at school!

Michael Rosen is encouraging children to be **creative and silly – the sillier the better!**

The competition is open to children in Years 1–7, with separate age categories. Poems must be **no more than 100 words**.

We will be exploring funny poetry in school and encouraging the children to experiment with words, rhyme, rhythm and their imaginations. The children will have the opportunity to write and develop their own poem before we select our entries for the competition.

The competition closes on **Wednesday 21st October 2026**, so please encourage your child to keep thinking about silly and funny things that could happen at school!

There are some wonderful prizes available. The winning poems will be read aloud by **Michael Rosen himself** during the Michael Rosen Day Poetry Party on **Thursday 12th November 2026**.

Most importantly, we want the children to have fun with poetry, be imaginative and discover that writing poems can be a wonderful way to make people laugh.

We can't wait to see what wonderfully silly ideas they come up with! Upload your entries here - https://www.walker.co.uk/michael-rosen-day/poetry-competition/

Harvest Festival

Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday morning at St. Luke's.

Headley Food Bank have asked me to specify that they do not require any pasta or rice in donations.

Thank you very much.



Red Class



Red Class went on a bear hunt this week, following suspicious bear-shaped footprints around the school! They were learning to sequence events in the story so we physically walked through the different settings-forests, snow storms, rivers. Did they find the bear? You'll have to ask them.



Yellow Class



Yellow Class have been learning all about spirals and have been using the natural resources around them to create their own.

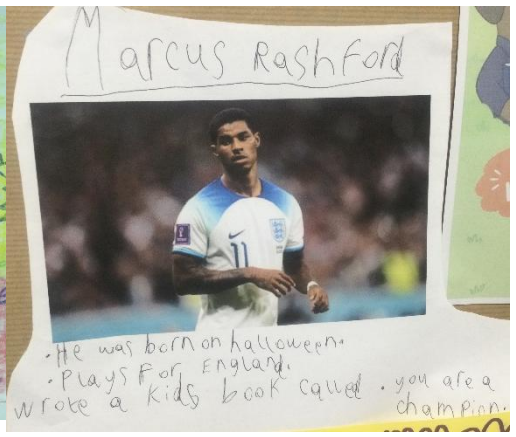


Blue Class

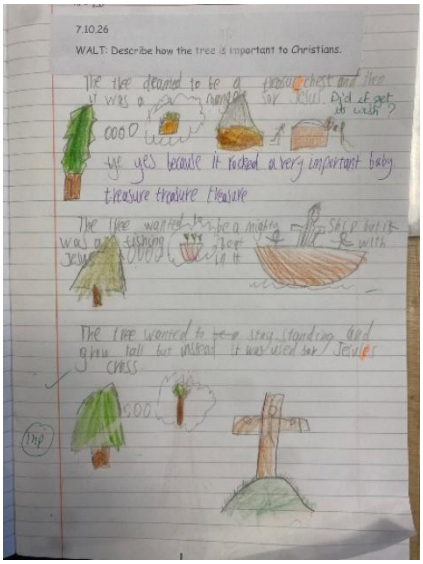
Blue Class have been learning at home about inspirational people as part of their **Black History Month** work. Here are some of the wonderful projects they produced.

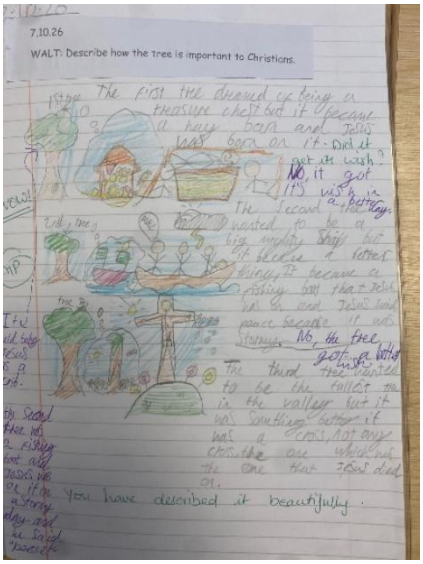






Purple Class





Purple Class have been learning all about trees and the symbolism they have in Christianity as part of their learning in RE. Here is some fantastic work on that theme from Alice and Sylvia.

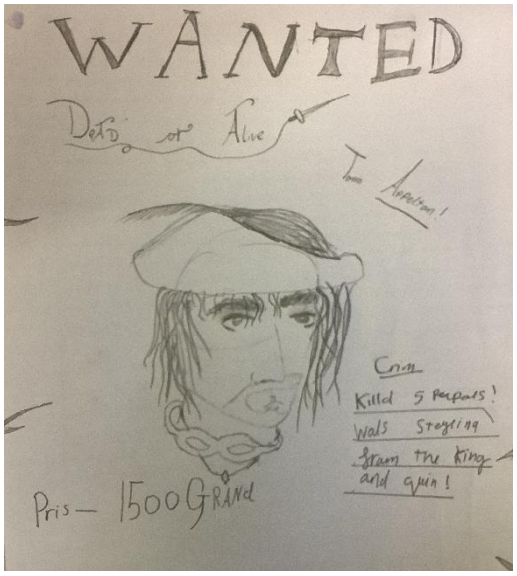
Green Class

Green Class made excellent connections in their learning as they explored the many uses of rivers and discussed their importance in our world. They also demonstrated superb teamwork and collaboration while undertaking a science investigation to deepen their understanding of gases.

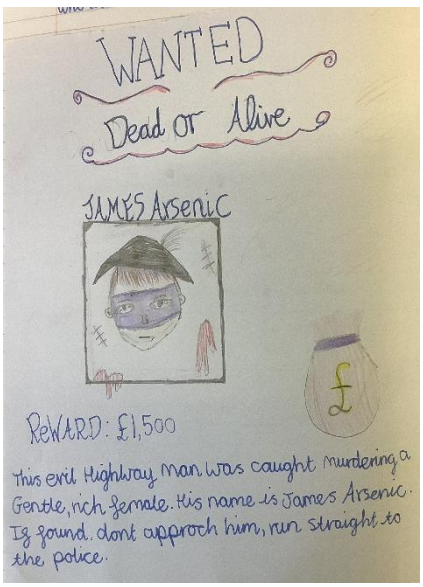


Next week, they are looking forward to sharing their prayers with the school community during the Harvest Service on Tuesday. In Art, they will begin a 'Storytelling Through Drawing' unit, taking inspiration from the illustrations of Cressida Cowell. In Maths, they will apply their rounding skills to reasoning and problem-solving challenges.

Silver Class



Silver Class have learnt all about highwaymen and created wanted posters using their new knowledge. We have also found out what multiples and common multiples are in Maths. Next week they will be learning all about methods to separate mixtures in our science lesson. They will also be learning the last section of their dance in PE.



Gold Class



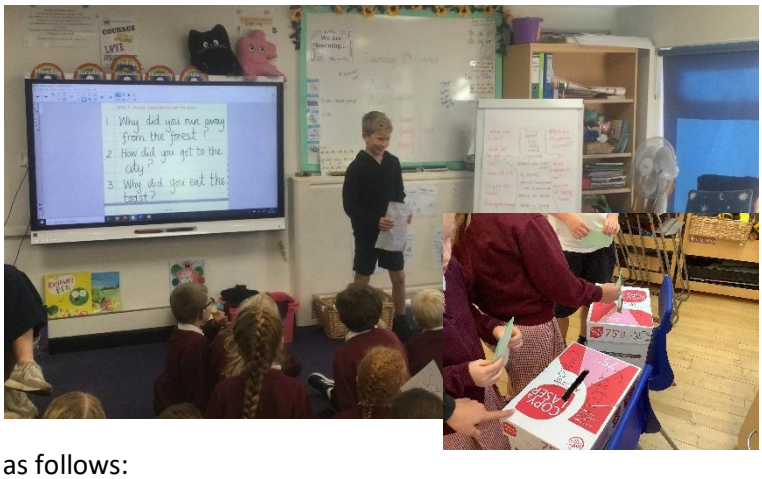
Gold Class have been revising how to use inverted commas for dialogue. They have learnt more about how our eyes work and about shadows in science lessons and how these differ from reflections. In Maths, they have been working on their long multiplication skills and applying them to word problems. They have also prepared and delivered their House Captain speeches this week as part of their leadership campaigns. We are all so proud of every single one of them for braving the stage and going for it! It doesn't really matter who wins the seats; the hard work and courage has been shown and that makes every single candidate a winner (see below).

Also, well done to our gardening team who have been doing a great job with Suzy keeping the allotment going. They've been moving wheelbarrows full of wood chip to cover up beds and planting strawberries for later on.

Next week in English, they will continue to plan their refugee stories. They will learn the difference between standard and non-standard English (accents and dialect) so that they can write some fin character dialogue. In Maths, they will start to divide and look at some 'always, sometimes and never' reasoning statements when working with division and multiplication. In Art, they will finally start creating their activism posters and dance for **Yellow Class**.

Grayshott goes to the polls!

Well done to all the children who prepared speeches and put themselves up for election as **House Captains** and **Vice-Captains**. In keeping with our work on the British value of democracy, all the children voted and the results were given out this afternoon. Congratulations to those who won, and a big well done to everyone who took part. Thank you also to our polling staff who did a great job co-ordinating things in the Community Room.



Your House Captains and Vice Captains are as follows:

House	Elected Vice Captain
Maple	Samuel W
Willow	Evie
Sycamore	Henry
Ash	Jossy
Chestnut	Ava / Tiggy
Beech	Sami
Cedar	Adam

House	Elected Captain
Maple	Rory
Willow	Ollie
Sycamore	Aaron
Ash	June
Chestnut	Benj
Beech	Bella
Cedar	Lola

"When you do something noble and beautiful and nobody noticed, do not be sad. For the sun every morning is a beautiful spectacle and yet most of the audience still sleeps."

John Lennon (born 9 October 1940)

Grayshott CE Primary School



October 2026

Tuesday 13th	Harvest Service at St Luke's Church, 9.30am – everyone welcome
Thursday 15th	Open Morning, 9.30am
Friday 16th	**PTA** Quiz Night – – see details in **PTA** section
Wednesday 21st	**PTA** Movie Night – see details in **PTA** section
Thursday 22nd	Vision Ambassadors Assembly – invite only
Friday 23rd	Inset Day – school closed
w/c Monday 26th	Half Term

November 2026

Monday 2nd	Return to school
Tuesday 3rd	**PTA** Meeting at The Fox & Pelican, 7.30pm. **Everyone welcome to attend**
Wednesday 4th	**Red Class** Cake Sale
Thursday 5th	**Gold Class** visit Henley Fort
Friday 6th	**Gold Class** return from Henley Fort
Friday 13th	**PTA** Quiz Night – details to follow
w/c Monday 16th	**No teacher-led clubs this week due to Student Progress Meetings**
Tuesday 17th	Student Progress Meetings – details to follow
Thursday 19th	Student Progress Meetings – details to follow
Tuesday 24th	Flu Immunisations for whole school
Monday 28th	Grayshott Christmas Lights Switch On

December 2026

Friday 4th	**PTA** Mufti Day – **please bring chocolates**
Monday 7th	**Yellow** and **Blue** Classes Nativity, 2pm
Tuesday 8th	**Yellow** and **Blue** Classes Nativity, 9.30am
Wednesday 9th	**Red Class** Christmas Celebration
Friday 11th	**PTA** Mufti Day– **please bring a bottle**
Friday 11th	**PTA** Christmas Fair
Wednesday 16th	**Yellow Class** Cake Sale, 3.15pm
Thursday 17th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly – invite only
Thursday 17th	End of term collect 1.15pm
Friday 18th	Inset Day – school closed

January 2027

Monday 4th	Return to school

February 2027

Friday 12th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly – invite only
w/c Monday 15th	Half Term
Monday 22nd	Return to school

March 2027

Thursday 25th	End of term – collect 1.15pm
Friday 26th – Wednesday 31st	Easter Holiday

April 2027

Thursday 1st – Friday 9th	Easter Holiday
Monday 12th	Return to school

May 2027

Monday 3rd	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 4th	Return to school
Friday 28th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly – invite only
w/c Monday 31st	Half Term

June 2027

Monday 7th	Return to school

July 2027

Wednesday 14th	Leavers Service at St Luke's Church, 9.30am
Friday 16th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly – invite only
Tuesday 20th	End of term – collect 1.15pm
Wednesday 21st	Inset Day – school closed

PTA News

Tickets for Movie Night (for children) & Quiz Night (for parents) can now be purchased from this link https://www.pta-events.co.uk/grayshottprimary/



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Parentkind Lottery



Please support us to raise funds for the school by taking part in our Parentkind school lottery.

Each £1 ticket gives you the chance to win £25,000 every Friday along with a selection of other prizes. For every £1 spent, 60p goes directly to raising much needed funds for the school.
Please feel free to also spread the word to family and friends. The further we share it, the greater the funds we will be able to raise for the school. We have already had a few lucky winners too!

"Thank you for your support"

Click here for the Parentkind Lottery Link

PTA WhatsApp Community

We'd like to draw your attention to our PTA WhatsApp Community, which is a great way to keep up to date with useful information and communications. Each class has its own group, alongside a number of other PTA related groups, if you're not already a member, please do join us by following the link or scanning the QR code. https://chat.whatsapp.com/JAbkYqpxyKxLXiHaGgZ7pf

Community News

go tennis

Local coaching for local families

OCTOBER HALF TERM TENNIS CAMPS

GET ACTIVE, MAKE FRIENDS, HAVE FUN!



MONDAY 26TH – FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER | GRAYSHOTT TENNIS CLUB | FULL DAY 10AM – 3PM | HALF DAY 10AM – 12.30PM

SESSIONS FOR ALL ABILITIES

- RED / ORANGE BALL AGES 5-9
- GREEN BALL AGES 9-11
- YELLOW BALL AGES 11+
- HALF DAY OPTION AGES 4+

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CAN'T MAKE HALF TERM?

Come and try one of our other sessions for **FREE!**

If October half term doesn't work for you, your child can still come and give tennis a go with a FREE trial session at one of our local venues. We have sessions running throughout the week for different ages and abilities.



FIRST SESSION FREE!

WINTER JUNIOR COACHING PROGRAMME

MONDAYS

GRAYSHOTT TENNIS CLUB

4–5pm | Ages 4–9 (Red/Orange Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

HEADLEY TENNIS CLUB

4–5pm | Ages 4–9 (Red/Orange Ball)
Coach: Rob Norris

5–6pm | Ages 10–12 (Green Ball)
Coach: Rob Norris

LET'S GET MORE LOCAL FAMILIES PLAYING TENNIS!

OTHER DISCOUNTS

- 10% off for club members
- Sibling discount available
- Recommend a friend
- Childcare vouchers accepted

Discounts cannot usually be combined. Please check at booking

WEDNESDAYS

GRAYSHOTT TENNIS CLUB

4.30– 5.30pm | Ages 12–16 (Yellow Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

5.30–7.00pm | Ages 12–16 (Yellow Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

SATURDAYS

GRAYSHOTT TENNIS CLUB

9–10am | Ages 4–9 (Red/Orange Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

10–11am | Ages 9–12 (Green Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

11–12pm | Ages 12–16 (Yellow Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

FERNHURST TENNIS CLUB

1–2pm | Ages 4–9 (Red/Orange Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

1–2pm | Ages 9–12 (Green Ball)
Coach: Dillon Norris

QUESTIONS?

If you're unsure which session is best for your child or have any questions, just get in touch – we're always happy to help!

info@gotennis.co.uk | 07841 054720

BOOK A FREE TRIAL SESSION

Go Tennis is a local tennis coaching company providing fun, friendly and professional tennis coaching for children and adults across Churt, Fernhurst, Grayshott and Headley..

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Charity Walk 2026

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2026

HOGMOOR INCLOSURE
Hogmoor Rd, Bordon GU35 9HN

EVENT PROGRAMME

- GUEST WELCOME 9:00 AM
- REGISTRATION 9:30 AM
- OPENING CEREMONY 10:30 AM
- WALK STARTS 11:00 AM
- FINISH & ROLLING LUNCH 12:00 PM

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A WALK IN PURSUIT OF *Service to Humanity*