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How can you help your child?

- Ensure your child is here every day.
- Make sure they are on time for the start of school and all of their lessons.
- Encourage them to always do their best in every lesson and work as hard as possible.
- Make sure they complete their homework and hand it in on time.
- It is important that your child brings their reading book and reading journal into school daily. We encourage you to listen to your child read regularly and discuss the text with them.
- Information about what topic your child will be working on through our thematic approach to the wider curriculum is included to help you take opportunities to get involved with your child's learning.
- Your child should know all of the times tables and be able to count on and back in both fractions and decimals by the end of the year.

Year 6 Summer Learning

Welcome back! It is now the final and most crucial term for Year 6! This term we have SATs week, where all the work that your child has put in over the last two terms will culminate. We will continue to work hard towards SATs over the coming days and weeks and focus on maintaining the high standards that we have achieved already this academic year. Once SATs are over, we will be placing a deeper focus on writing, looking at several genres and styles whilst developing composition and language skills.

Additionally, we will also begin thinking about the transition between primary and secondary education, which will be a vital aspect during this term for all children. We will be doing PSHE sessions to enable children to feel 'secondary ready' and there will be many opportunities to discuss any questions or concerns they may have.

It is going to be a very exciting and productive few weeks as we lead up to the end of the year - especially exciting during preparations for our end of year production! We know that by working together, we will be able to allow all children to continue making great progress and end their time at Grove on a high, as well as prepare them for the transition into secondary education.

English

This term we will be spending much of our English time with a focus on writing.

Children will be writing pieces in varying styles, such as articles, narrative, persuasive writing, reports, letters and diary entries.

We will be focusing on how to pull on children's developed understanding of grammar and punctuation to ensure that our writing is grammatically and stylistically strong whilst experimenting with different narrative voices and creating exciting and interesting content.

Additionally, we will be reading a new class read aloud text: Wonder by R,J Palacio.

PSHE

During PSHE this term we will be placing a lot of emphasis upon the coming transition between primary and secondary education. We will explore how we can make new friends, have self-confidence and deal with change.

Theme

In theme this term we are going to be starting to look at the topic of space! Children will be learning about space exploration, the planets of the solar system and the history of space travel.

Science

In science, we will be investigating different materials and their properties. Children will be conducting experiments into materials and their benefits as well as learning about what different materials are used for and why.

ICT

In ICT we will be looking at coding, where children will learn how to use computer code to complete a range of activities. We will also be exploring animation using the iPads and Purple Mash.

Useful Websites:

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/grove-wv2>
www.bbc.co.uk/schools
www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/
<http://www.satspapers.org.uk/>
www.mymaths.co.uk
<http://www.coxhoe.durham.sch.uk/Curriculum/Curriculum.htm>
<http://www.mathszone.co.uk/>

Maths

In maths, we will be continuing to further consolidate their understanding of the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be focusing on children being able to reason with their answers and explore any links they can make ensuring that they have a rounded understanding of the subject.

Encourage your child to explain methods they are using as it always helps to develop new understanding.

Don't Forget...

PE is on a Thursday.

Attendance – it is important that children attend every day, and that they arrive punctually.

Praise assemblies will take place on Fridays at 9:05am each week.

SATs is just around the corner so it is vital that your child continues to revise and prepare themselves for the upcoming tests by continuing to use their revision guides and/or online resources such as past papers.