



Grands Vaux Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Maria McCool



Friday, 07 October 2022

Dear Parent and Carers,

Welcome to Newsletter 5, I hope this finds you and your family well.

Welcome to Mrs Bonazzi and Mrs Chapman:

Welcome to Mrs Bonazzi. She will be joining our team Monday 10th October as a Learning Support Assistant. She will be supporting across different year groups.

Mrs Chapman who will be joining our team on Monday 17th October will be taking over in the school office. Mrs Chapman joins us from working as part of the Audiology Team at the Hospital. She has had an opportunity to work with Mrs Meyer before she left, however, as Mrs Chapman settles into her new role there may be times where we need your understanding as we work through our systems and procedures.

I know you will share a warm welcome with both colleagues as and when you meet them.

Office (Mon 10th Oct – Fri 14th Oct):

The office will be covered for periods of time by members of the Senior Leadership Team which may impact on their availability. There will also be periods of time where the answer machine will be on to take messages. This will be at least every day 12-1 to facilitate lunch duty cover etc but should the need arise, may be more often than this. We will follow up on messages left as soon as we are able to do so.

We will endeavour to keep the office running as smoothly as possible but ask for your understanding and ensure any communication with school allows plenty of buffer time to follow up on any actions.

We would appreciate your help with the following -

- unless an emergency - any changes to collection are shared with school well in advance of the end of day
- absence from school is communicated with school so as to reduce the need to follow up with calls/text messages/email once registers are completed
- any appointments during school time are shared with the office in advance so staff covering the office can be aware of when children need to be collected

Your support with this is appreciated.

Meet the teacher REMINDER - date Thurs 13th Oct:

An outline of the agenda for the meeting which will start in the main hall -

3.15-3.30 – Headteacher Outline and PTA update

3.30 – 4.30 – CAMHS Early Intervention Team (new team established within the Hub that schools can access for early intervention)

– The Hub - Family and Community Support Service Monthly Drop In Facility (this is a new initiative that Grands Vaux

School are piloting, we hope to start a monthly morning drop in session for families to access, due to start @ GV 2.11.22)

- Caring Cooks

4.30 -4.45 Class Teacher session 1 (in classroom)

4.50-5.05 Class Teacher session 2 (in classroom)

Parent-Teacher Phone Call Consultations Reminder:

These will take place WB Mon 14th Nov and Mon 28th Nov. The letters will come out soon to offer spaces.

World Mental Health Day:

Monday 10th October is World Mental Health Day with the theme - Make mental health & well-being for all a global priority. Please see attached flyer for TEAMS sessions that are available during the day.

Amendment to term dates reminder:

School is closed to children on Friday 21st October, therefore, the Autumn Half-term holiday begins for children on Thursday 20th October.

INSET 22-23 (school is closed to children on these dates):

Thursday 8th September 2022

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

Lost Property:

Uniform lost property collection has been available at the front of school for a couple of weeks. This will remain in situ for claims to be made. Families who can make use of the items that remain can do so – as this is from lost property no donation to school is required. I still haven't had room to hang up 'non-school uniform clothing' if you wish to check the lost property for 'ordinary' clothing lost property please let us know and we can make the black bag available.

If you need clarification on any points in the newsletter, please do get in touch.

Kind regards



Miss Maria McCool – Headteacher