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Autumn 1: 30.09.24

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Mrs Bilke

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CHANGE OF DATE

Please join us for our **Harvest Service and Open Afternoon on Tuesday 22nd October from 1:30**. After the service, you can join your child in their classroom and take a look at their learning so far this term.

Donations of dried goods, packed food and toiletries will be collected for the Malvern Food Bank from Tuesday 15th October.



THE JOY OF STORYTELLING

Once again, the children will attend Malvern's Festival of Stories on 23rd and 24th October. We will enjoy a day of listening and learning from different authors.

The festival runs from the 22nd—27th October. Take the family and enjoy a special event in our town that is famous for its literary history.



AUTUMN DAYS...

Although the weather isn't glorious Autumnal sunshine, we have enjoyed learning about Harvest in preparation for our Harvest Service and open afternoon on Tuesday 22nd October—1:30pm.

We have started learning our Harvest songs and the children look forward to welcoming you into their classrooms to look at their learning.

Many of you attended our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 27th. Our Year 6 leadership team enjoyed representing us and ensured our visitors were well looked after. Thanks to your generosity we raised over £130 for Macmillan Charity.

BRILLIANT BEHAVIOURS



To help us to be **ready** to learn, **respectful** towards others and **safe** by following instructions, we focus on the 4 rules of listening.

- Sitting still
- Staying quiet
- Listening to all the words
- Looking at the person who is talking

ATTENDANCE:

Our whole school attendance is 96.1% - above national average! Well done to the children for being in school, on time, every day.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 2nd October:

Chance to Shine cricket

Friday 4th October

Pine Class swimming

Wednesday 9th October

Chance to Shine cricket

Friday 11th October

Pine Class swimming

Monday 14th October

NHS Questionnaire—Y6

Tuesday 15th October

Space Dome experience —whole school

Wednesday 16th October

Chance to Shine cricket

Friday 18th October

Pine Class swimming

Mercian Education Trust Training at Grove

Monday 21st October

Whole School Photographs

Tuesday 22nd October

HARVEST FESTIVAL and OPEN AFTERNOON 1:30 onwards

Wednesday 23rd October

OPEN DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE RECEPTION PARENTS

Ash and Birch: Malvern Festival of Stories

Thursday 24th October

Pine, Beech, Oak: Malvern Festival of Stories

Last day of Autumn 1 for children

Friday 25th October

SCHOOL CLOSED : Phonics training day



PLAYTIME REQUEST

We are very lucky that we have lots of outdoor space and activities for the children to enjoy. There are so many benefits to outdoor play: better mental and physical health; better quality of sleep; appreciation of nature and development of motor skills. Grove Primary School was recognised for commitment to outdoor play in our

Sportsmark Gold award.

We are also aware that outdoor play leads to muddy shoes and uniform! The grounds are already very wet. If your child loves to play in the mud and splash about, make sure they have named wellies and a waterproof in school. These can be hung in a bag on your child's peg. This will mean your child can enjoy their play and come home clean and tidy at the end of the day.



SEND Information, Advice and Support Service Herefordshire & Worcestershire

Do you have a child/young person with a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND)?

Do you think your child might have Special Educational Needs (SEN)?

SENDIASS provides FREE, impartial & confidential information, advice and support on all matters relating to children and young people (0-25) who have or may have SEND

We can help you if...

- You have concerns about your child's progress at their education setting
- You would like to know more about the support available for children with SEND and their families
- You would like to know more about Herefordshire's and Worcestershire's SEND policies and procedures
- You need information and guidance on the Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) process

Call: 01905 768153 (24hr answerphone service available)

Contact us: Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4pm

Email: SENDIASS@worcestershire.gov.uk

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STARTING SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2025?

It seems a long way off but if your child is due to start school next September, now is the time to come and visit Grove Primary School. Our newly refurbished Early Years provision is proving very popular with the children.



There is plenty of indoor and outdoor space to learn and grow. In September, our Early Years provision will be made up of pre-school and Reception aged children ensuring a wonderful start to your child's journey with us.

On Wednesday 23rd October, Miss Perkins and her team would love to welcome you into the Early Years to see us in action. You are welcome to join us if you already have a child here, or if you are joining us in September 2025.

CURRICULUM FOCUS: MUSIC

At Grove, we regularly review and adapt our curriculum to ensure we offer a broad range of subjects.

The new National Plan for Music Education asked all schools to develop this important subject. We recognised that our Music offer could be improved. Our rationale for our Music curriculum is that Music develops many skills: confidence, appreciation and most of all enjoyment! I am sure you have noticed that whole singing brings a smile to all of our faces.

The Sparkyard Curriculum helps us map our Music offer in 4 areas:

- Singing and Playing skills
- Listening skills and musical knowledge
- Composition and improvisation
- Notation skills

