

Welcome To Acacia

Mrs Funnell



General Routines

- Door will open for a soft start at 8.40am, and close at 8:50 for registration. Once the classroom door is closed please register your child at the school office
- Non-urgent messages about your can be sent via the class email address

acacia@grovejm.herts.sch.uk

rowan@grovejm.herts.sch.uk

mulberry@grovejm.herts.sch.uk

- All administrative messages and changes to arrangements must be communicated through the office

admin@grovejm.herts.sch.uk

- Collection at the end of the day – School finishes at 3:15pm. Any changes to pick up arrangements must be communicated through the office.

Things to remember

- PE Days – children are to come to school wearing PE kit on MONDAY AND THURSDAY.
- Swimming is on Thursday for the Autumn term only.
- Small pencil case containing a handwriting pen, colouring pencils/white board pen/small ruler/rubber/glue stick
- A named water bottle
- Coats/rain jackets in school every day (break time/home time)
- Healthy snacks for break times, particularly on swimming days – fresh fruit or vegetables only - NO NUTS, PESTO OR HUMMUS

Uniform

- Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform in school. All items must be clearly labelled, including shoes
- Long hair must be tied back securely. Adornments such as large bows, fascinators and oversized accessories are not suitable for school.
- Swimming: It is recommended that children do not wear their swimming costumes to school.....

Behaviour

- As in the rest of the school we expect all children to follow the behaviour code
- We aim to create a positive learning environment where certificates and house points may be given
- We aim to instil a growth mindset attitude



The Grove Junior School School Behaviours



The 3 Rs

Respect - Respect ourselves, each other and our environment.

Responsibility – taking responsibility for our actions.

Resilience – to learn from our mistakes and always try our best, even when we find things difficult.

Medical

- Inhalers: Please ensure your child has an in date, named inhaler in school at all times. They are kept in a box in the classroom.
- Epipens: Same as inhalers.
- Please ensure if your child wears glasses / hearing aid they have them in school daily and that we know about them.
- Inform the office of any medical conditions, changes or updates

Home Learning

- New spelling pattern words are given out on FRIDAY and are due back in school on the following THURSDAY. This allows a full week including a weekend to practice, investigate and explore the current spelling patterns.
- Children will write 8 sentences using the spelling words which will also show their understanding of definition and to practice expanding sentence structure skills.
- All the words should be spelt correctly and the usual high standards of presentation should be maintained. Please use a suitable blue pen.
- Feel free to help your children create engaging sentences and alert them to any errors

Home Learning

- Reading planners return! Children should read every day and it is the expectation that a minimum of three comments are made which reflect the reading focus of the week – either by parent or pupil.
- Books are to be brought into school every day and the reading planner will be viewed every Thursday. Your child will not bring their reading planner home on a Thursday as this gives your teacher time to acknowledge the reading comments.
- Please only use suitable pens in planners.
- The planners will be returned to your child on Friday.
- From time to time, we may politely ask for your support in providing some resources to enhance the children's learning.

Home Learning

- Children will be able to visit the library in small groups throughout the week.
- Encourage regular trips to the local library – please join. It's a great resource and skill and definitely an alternative to Google and Wikipedia!
- Encourage your children to access the TTRockstars app which will promote fluency and fast recall.
- Encourage your child to read all the clocks at home, both analogue and digital. Calculate duration of time that tasks may take.

Trips and events – to be confirmed

- The curriculum maps will be made available soon.
- STEM Discovery Centre – Wednesday 17th November – helpers wanted! Email class teacher.
- Stargazing evening – One dark and clear skied Friday?
- Parent consultation evening - tba
- Bikeability - Week commencing 10th January 2022

Finally...

Thank you for attending this evening. We are all looking forward to a fantastic and fun year.