



The Grove Junior School

**New Parents Meeting
Year 3 2023**

The Senior Leadership Team



Mr Emanuel
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Begum
Assistant Head for
Inclusion

The Year Three Teaching Team



Mrs Jackson
Apple Class
Mondays - Wednesday



Miss Bedford
Apple Class
Thursday - Friday



Miss Kelly
Lilac Class



Miss Bunce
Cherry Class
(Phase Leader)

The Year Three Teaching Assistant Team



Mrs Khanam



Mrs Thomas



Mrs Davies



Mrs Delgado



Miss Legg



Mrs Senior

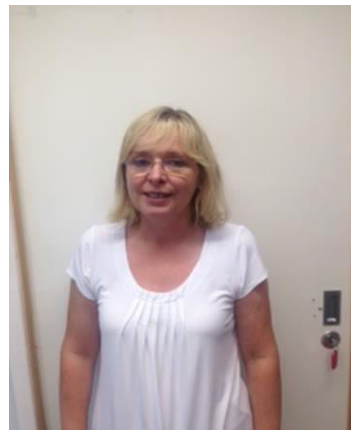


Mrs Hemming-Nash

School Office Team



Mr Gray
School Business
Manager



Mrs Head
School Secretary



Mrs Downes
Admin Assistant



Mrs Butler
Admin Assistant

Other members of staff



Mrs Harrison
Pupil Premium
Champion
(Senior Management)



Miss Vettese
Pastoral and Pupil
Wellbeing TA



Mr Kinnersley
PE Coach



Mr Nunes
PE Coach

Daily Routines



- School starts at 8:50 - classroom doors open from 8:40
- Break is at 10:30 – snack time
- Lunchtime is from 12:15-1:15
- End of the school day is 3:15

School Uniform



Stevensons Beats

You don't need to buy any new uniform but can out grow your current uniform.

Children to come to school in PE kit on PE days – Wednesday for all plus one other day (Monday or Friday)



School Dinners



All junior aged children are charged for their school lunches – you are free school dinners

All lunches need to pre ordered and pre paid using School gateway

Pupil Premium Grant



What are the benefits for our school?

School receives additional funding based on the number of pupils registered as FSM. This contributes to staff training, additional staffing and various support packages and is nationally known as Pupil Premium Funding.

What if my child doesn't want others to know?

Other pupils will not know which families are being supported or which children are eligible. Staff will of course be sensitive and provide anonymity for pupils.



Attendance



Attendance Ladder



We aim:

- ✓ For a supportive approach, working as a team;
- ✓ To safeguard your child's education entitlement;
- ✓ To report termly on your child's attendance;
- ✓ To acknowledge excellent attendance;
- ✓ To be approachable and proactive in helping families with attendance.

Attendance



Authorised and unauthorised absences explained: Please refer to the school's attendance policy which can be found on our website under 'Statutory Information' for more information. It is important to note that both an authorised and unauthorised absence will reduce your child's attendance percentage.

Key message: Please take your family holidays during the school holidays. These will not be agreed by the school if during term time and will always affect your child's attendance.



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Attendance Policy

Date adopted by the Governing Body: July 2022

Date for review: July 2024

Headteacher: Lorna Urquhart

Co-Chair of Governors: Thomas Parrott & Sarbjit Sahota

Held by: School Improvement Committee

Pupil Well Being and Mental health



We support children with their well-being and mental health. This allows children to be able to access their learning and in turn progress and develop.

In the Juniors, we pride ourselves on making pupil well-being a priority and dedicate time within the school day for children to be able to access support.

- Miss Vettese works Tuesday – Friday
- Train our Year 5 Mental health Champions
- Structured therapeutic interventions such as Drawing and Talking Therapy, breathing and grounding techniques.
- 1:1 or group sessions.
- Works with families too

After School Activities



We can offer a wide range of afterschool activities for the children but further information will come out in September – parents sign up using a google form.

We can also support you in offer music tuition through Katie Metcalfe music school.

Sporting Activities



- As a school we enter many matches, festivals and tournaments (both competitive and non-competitive)
- We enter competitions through the School Games Programme and the Harpenden District Sports Association (HDSA).
- The competitions are broken down into three categories:
 1. Compete – Competitions for the engaged and active students and aimed at the strongest players.
 2. Aspire and Develop events – Learning and developing new skills through participation in festivals, friendly competitions and personal challenges
 3. Inspire and Engage – Participation and fun with a focus on trying new activities and skills.

Yearly Events



- Parent Consultations – November and March with a final written report in July.
- Open Classrooms – pop in and see the children’s work – throughout the year.
- Year 3 Christmas Production – December
- Year 4 Spring Performance – March
- Year 5 Grovesfest – July
- Year 6 Production - July
- Coffee Mornings – welcome in September and throughout the year – some SEND specific
- Various school trips and visits throughout the year