



## Upcoming Events

### OCTOBER

8th—Year 6 taking over The Mall  
8th Year 2 having a visit from the Fire Brigade  
10th School Nurse South site 9am—10am  
11th Year 2 Magpie Household Cavalry trip  
11th Year 3 British Museum Romans  
11th Year 5 PGL meetings 9.00am & 5.30pm  
12th Year 5 having a Fire Brigade visit  
12th Moorhen and Merlin class assemblies  
15th & 16th Parents Evening  
15th—19th Celebratory week –BIG DRAW  
15th Mallard Household Cavalry  
15th & 16th Year 3 cycling  
17th Moorhen Household cavalry  
17th Year 4 Science Museum  
18th Curriculum Governors  
18th Year 5 Vestry museum  
18th Merlin Class Household Cavalry trip

### **ATTENDANCE**

Buzzard class have topped the attendance this week with 98% closely followed by Woodpecker and Bullfinch with 97% the worst classes are Chiff chaff and Swan with 90%!. Please beware that the Assistant heads will be calling if your child has low attendance. A reminder that we will not authorise holiday requests if a child has below 96% attendance.

### **PARENTPAY**

Please make sure that you are up to date with your payments for breakfast club, lunches and afterschool club.

### **Flu forms**

Please make sure you return the forms by Tuesday 9th October.

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## Mission Grove WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The children who went on the Year 6 residential have had a fantastic time. Unfortunately due to the fog this morning they are running late coming home. Hopefully parents had a great time viewing the photos on twitter and on the website. We have already provisionally booked the centre for next year. We would like to invite the parents of the children in year 5 to meetings next Thursday at 9.30am or 5.30pm to find out more about what happens and how much it costs.

Nicola has said “It is the most amazing thing in the world!.” Ibrahim said that “PGL gives you good life skills– I’ve had a fantastic birthday! The trapeze was fun!” Stella said, “if you’re scared of heights you’ll face your fears at PGL!”



### Humanities week



Thank you to Jessica and all of her colleagues for helping to make our first Humanities week so much fun and interesting. The children have had a great time handling artefacts and learning about news reports.

“I loved learning about History and was very surprised when I saw the market” Mushtaq, Cuckoo.

“It made me think about all the other kings and queens who may have had their faces on coins in the past” Lennie, Merlin.

“I really enjoyed interviewing all the historians and archaeologists and challenging them on their views”. Marvin, Bullfinch



We are taking part in the **Big Draw** this year. Mr Beckett, the Creative and expressive arts lead, is organising some amazing events. We will be inviting parents to come along to get involved. The national event is happening for the whole of October, we will

be focusing on the week beginning the 15th October. If you feel that you can help and get involved please email [office@missiongrove.org.uk](mailto:office@missiongrove.org.uk) for the attention of Mr Beckett.

### Reading at Mission Grove

Hopefully your child has been coming home daily wanting to read their school book. The children in years 2 to 3 are following accelerated readers and once they have read a book they get to do a fun quiz to find out how much they understood. Well done to Buzzard and Bullfinch classes who have topped the table for the number of minutes the class reads on average a day. Isabella in Buzzard is our top reader at the moment ! We do ask that you encourage your child to read for at least **20 minutes a day.**

## Mission Grove App

We are aware that lots of parents have been having problems with the school app. We have been working with the company that makes the app to solve the problem.

We now have a solution – but we need you to download a slightly different version of the app, then delete the old app. This should solve any problems you have been having. Miss Kent has been trialling the new app this week and it is much faster and more reliable than the old version, with further updates coming soon.

Please follow these steps to download the new app:

1. Go to the app store (apple or android) and search for 'Piota Schools'
2. Download this app. Then type 'Mission Grove' into the white box. Select 'Mission Grove Primary' from the dropdown list.
3. You will then be asked if you want to receive push notifications. Please click 'Set up now', then click 'Allow'. This means you will receive alerts from us. Once you have done this the app should look exactly the same as it did before.
4. To make sure you are getting the correct alerts, please click 'more' then 'settings', then 'channels'. Select the classes your children are in. Please keep 'urgent notices' selected. PLEASE DON'T SKIP THIS STEP! It means you get the correct alerts and we don't bombard you with things that aren't relevant to you.
5. Once this is done, please delete the old app.

When you want to use the app, press the 'Piota Schools' icon on your phone and you will go directly to the Mission Grove app. Any alert from 'Piota Schools' will be from us at Mission Grove.

## OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

We will be running a holiday club at half term. Please check on the website on the extended services tab for the brochure, prices and booking form.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals now have amended regulations to implement a net earnings threshold of £7,400 to come into force from 1 April 2018.

Any pupil eligible for free schools meals before 1 April 2018 will keep their free school meal eligibility until **31 March 2022**. Please speak to the office if you think you may be eligible.

## This week in pictures



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