



## Upcoming Events

### May

Monday 20th—Friday 24th Year 2 SATS

Year 5 swimming at the Aquatic Centre

Monday 20th Year 3 trip National History museum

Woodpecker & Wren @ Horniman Museum

Wednesday 22nd Grouse & Goldfinch at Lloyd Park

Year 1 @ Kew Gardens

Waxwing & Wagtail @Horniman museum

Thursday 23rd South site Nursery closed for Polling station

Goldcrest & Goose at Lloyd's park

Friday 24th Goldfinch Class Assembly

Monday 27th—Friday 31st May Half Term Holiday

Monday 3rd School re-opens

Class Photos

Film Festival starts

Thursday 6th Phonics meeting for parents

Artist David Leapman visiting

Friday 7th Year 4 Sleepover at school

Keep the date : **Saturday 6th July—Summer Fair**

Don't forget to book a place at the holiday club. We can only take pre-booked children. Please don't think that you can turn up on the day and be guaranteed a place. We have lots of children coming from other schools and have a set number of staff for the club.

You can pick up an application form from the office or the from the website.



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## Mission Grove

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Art Everywhere!

At Mission Grove we are fully involved with the Borough of Culture and loads of things happening now and soon. Currently we have the Artist Shiraz Bayjoo working with a group of Year 4 children. This weekend they will be doing filming of their work. When we return after the half term holidays we will be having our 2nd Mission Globes film festival. We are linking it with the Artstrail which has the theme "Wonder".

Mr Beckett and the staff are working with the children on poems and films about wonder and the wonder of Walthamstow. You can follow what is happening with the Arts in school on the new Art blog <https://dominic5713.wixsite.com/mgpart>

### Holiday project

To get the children in the mood for the festival we would like to set a small holiday project. We would like the children to think about what is special to them about where they live. It can be their home or the local community. If they can take photos, draw pictures and write about what it is that they like and why. This can be in the form of a story, poem or narrative. We would like the children to bring the project in on the first Monday back.

### Sponsored Readathon

This summer we are taking part in a Read for Good Readathon. Read for Good does something amazing. It gets children reading for fun through its sponsored Readathon. The money raised buys books for schools and brings the power of stories to children in hospital via mobile bookcases and resident storytellers. We will get 20% of money raised to buy books and the other 80% will go to buy books for children's hospitals. On Monday Miss Beath will talk to the children about the readathon and how the children can get sponsorships during half term and then we will do the reading when we return on Monday 3rd June. Pupils choose what they want to read from comics to classics – anything goes. They ask friends and family to sponsor them per book or per minute of reading. Sponsors can pay online straight to readforgood, so you won't need to collect any money in.

### Accelerated reading

We now have 42 children who have read a million words on AR! 15 of those are already over 2 million and a couple are very close to 5 million. The Quiz part will be open over the half term for when the children have finished reading a book—not watching a film!



### Kwik Cricket

The children had a fun and exciting afternoon playing cricket on the pitch at Leyton Orient in the sun. Everybody played their part in convincingly winning our two group games without losing a single wicket. Unfortunately, there was not time for a final to see which school was the overall winner on the day but we had qualified for the final. It was pleasing to see the spirit that the children played the game in and they really encouraged each other. They showed great sportsmanship after the matches with the other team making sure that they shook hands with them. Each child received a t-shirt to commemorate the day and the school received a kwik cricket set for taking part.

### Parent Pay

Unfortunately we have quite a few people who have debts of over £50. The school debt recovery policy makes it very clear that if there is a debt of £50 then the service will be frozen until payments have been made. If you know you have a debt please be aware that a member of the senior leadership team will be in touch over the next few weeks. If you know that there are issues with your parentpay please either use the email facility on parentpay or drop an email to the office at [office@missiongrove.org.uk](mailto:office@missiongrove.org.uk) with parentpay as the subject.

Year 6 parents please make sure that you have paid the balance for your PGL account.

### Summer Fair

Please remember that we will be having our annual summer fair on Saturday the 6th July from 11am to 3pm. There will be various stalls, games and refreshments. We will be putting an APP form out asking if you would be interested in having an estate agents board advertising the event outside your home. We get paid a generous amount from the Estate Agent for every board that we have so please enlist family and friends to have one too.

There will be a raffle and so far we have iPad as a prize.

If you have any ideas for the summer fair please let any member of staff know or drop us an email. Also, if you can help between 10.30 to 1pm or 1pm to 3.30pm to help set up, then man a stall and help clear up at the end that would be greatly appreciated. Again please speak to a member of staff or email the office.

The money that we raise for the summer fair helps subsidise trips, pay for all of Reception to year 3 to watch a pantomime and year 4 to 6 to go to the theatre. We would also like to invest in some chrome books and financially do not have great amounts in our school budget for this expense. Every little helps but we need you all to help.

