

Dear parents and carers,

As we edge closer to the Easter break, I wanted to say a big thank you to families for your support this term. There have been some incredible memories made by our students, your children, both here at The Grove, and also on the many extra-curricular trips that have taken place. I hope the Easter break offers them a chance for some positive reflection on all that has been achieved this term.

We invite you to read the full Trust newsletter at the following link: <https://bit.ly/MATSpring25>

This week we have been able to give GCSE and A Level students access back to their school accounts, allowing them to use Teams to access their school and revision materials. The cyber-attack has caused significant disruption, particularly to our examination students, across the school – thank you for your patience and understanding throughout the last three weeks. We are hopeful that we will be closer to fully functional after the Easter break as the team continues troubleshoot all the remaining areas. More information can be found in the letter that I have sent out to families today.

Wishing you all a restful Easter break,

*Mr Mitchell Allsopp*  
**Headteacher**



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Immunisation Service

The School Aged Immunisation Service will be immunising Year 8 students on 21st and 22nd May 2025.

Could you please read the letter sent out earlier in the week and then follow the instructions to give or decline consent for your child to get the vaccination. There is also a link to provide you with more information regarding HPV. Please note that you have **until 14th May 2025** to complete the electronic consent form.

The Grove School is acting as host venue for the vaccinations and, as such, we cannot give advice about them. If you are unable to complete the form online or have any questions, please contact the team on 01743 730028 or email:

[shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net](mailto:shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net). Thank you.



### Reminder

Today is our last day of term. We return to school on Monday 28th April. Happy Easter all!

### Sports

Well done to Archie Gallet and Archie Jackson, who had their U14 football county trial on Friday night at Thomas Adams in Wem. They both worked hard, showing off their impressive skills. They are currently awaiting confirmation whether they have reached the next stages of the trial process. Well done, boys!



### FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKING & ADVICE

High blood pressure is the major cause of heart attacks and strokes in people over 40 in the UK. It often has no symptoms. In fact, 1 in 4 people with high blood pressure do not know they have it.

Shropshire Council, in conjunction with Shropshire Community Blood Pressure Checks, are holding drop-in appointments at The Zone Community Hub, Lynden Way, Market Drayton on Monday 14 April 12.30 - 1.30pm and Tuesday 22 April 12.30 - 1.30pm.

### Forest School

Last week saw a collaboration between the Forest School groups and Humanities Faculty, with volunteers from all year groups taking advantage of the improvement in the weather to help clear the area around the Anderson Shelter. The aim is that once cleared, we will look at planting an allotment where we will grow our own vegetables at Grove just like people would have done during times of rationing in WWII. We hope to have this area up and running for the summer term so it can be used by groups in our school - and neighbouring primary schools - to learn more about life on the Homefront especially with the upcoming 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary for VE day. Mr Gilmour and Miss O'Brien were so impressed with the number of students who volunteered to help and were thankful for their hard work and the pride they took in restoring such a valuable resource for our school and community.



## Parent Governor Nominations

An opportunity has arisen for the appointment of a new Parent Governors to serve on the Local Governing Body of our school. We are looking to appoint an individual who would like to get more involved with the life at our school and would support us greatly in continuing our journey towards establishing the best education for young people in Market Drayton and surrounding areas. If you would like some more information on how to apply, please contact the Clerk to the Governors at:

[Joanne.Malone@gro.mmat.co.uk](mailto:Joanne.Malone@gro.mmat.co.uk). All nominations must be received by 3pm on

**Friday 2nd May 2025.**



### UPCOMING EVENTS

11 April	Last day of term
28 April	Back to school after Easter Holidays
5 May	Bank Holiday Monday- school closed
15 May	Year 8 Parents' Evening 4-6pm
23 May	Last Day of Half Term
2 June	Back to School

### NEWS

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