

Dear parents and carers,

There has been a lot to celebrate this week - especially with some of the big community projects that we are becoming involved in - there are some exciting times ahead where our students, your children, can really start to shape some of the changes around Market Drayton. We were delighted to see a group of our Year 9 students take to the professional stage once more at The Birmingham REP, as they performed the 'Curtain Raiser' for A Midsummer's Night's Dream' - a really unique opportunity, and a strong symbol of our partnership with the theatre. Thank you to all parents who attended the Y8 Parents Evening last night too, a brilliant turnout.

As we return from the bank holiday, can you support us in ensuring your child has the correct uniform and equipment for them to be successful for the school day. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Wishing you all a fantastic weekend,

Mr Mitchell Allsopp
Headteacher



REMINDERS & NOTICES

Amazing News

We are absolutely delighted to share with you that we have confirmation of the AstroTurf Pitch being funded and built here on school site. It's the product of a huge amount of community work, will and collaboration which will build a legacy for all our students, their families, both now and in the future. We are incredibly grateful of all the community groups that have funded this project and cannot wait for it to sit proudly on our site. This landmark investment sows a real determination to truly place The Grove in the centre of our community.



Reminder

Monday is a Bank Holiday; therefore school is closed. We all return on Tuesday 5th May.



Calling all Stall Holders



Following on from last year's amazing Summer Fair, on Friday 3rd July we are holding our 60th Birthday party, 'Grove-Fest', a spectacular event of live music, fun fair rides, large inflatables, games, colour-run, ice cream, food and lots more. If you would like to run a stall, please register via this QR code or by emailing:

admin@gro.mmat.co.uk.



(Stalls cost £15 to be paid prior to the event)

Mental Health Ambassadors

Congratulations to our Mental Health Ambassadors, who successfully completed their training last Thursday following a selection process. We're proud of their commitment to supporting wellbeing in our community.



Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

The HPV vaccination for Year 8 pupils will take place in school on Tuesday 19 May 2026, delivered by the School Aged Immunisation Service. Parents/carers must complete the online consent form by 9.00am on Monday 12 May 2026. Please check your emails for further details and the consent link.

<https://www.shropscmunityhea.lth.nhs.uk/rte.aspx?id=11910&vax=HPV&school=The%20Grove%20School&sc=146580>



Yesterday, seventeen students went along to the Birmingham Repertory Theatre, and performed the curtain raiser for their production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. The students performed amazingly in front of over 200 members of the public, their own devised piece called 'The Changeling', based upon a character in the Shakespearean play. Following their performance, they also got to watch the professionals in action. We are so proud of all the students who took part, they were fantastic!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4 May Bank Holiday – School Closed
- 5 May Sixth Form 'Evening of Popular Music'
- 7 May GCSE examinations begin
- 11 May A-Level examinations begin
- 22 May Last Day of the Half Term
- 1 June Students Return to School
- 4 June Year 7 Parents Evening
- 19 June Collaboration Day (Online Learning)
- 2 July Year 11 Prom
- 3 July Community Day/Summer Fair

NEWS

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