

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to all of our families!

I am delighted to write to you in my first newsletter as Headteacher at Grove School and update you on our fantastic first week back. I have spent the week speaking to students, visiting classrooms, and really getting to know our great school.

We have had a brilliant start to the spring term, students have been in a positive frame of mind and have really embraced our new era with the positivity it deserves. I have invited you all to events to meet myself and members of the senior team, if you are able to attend – sign up details are below.

Thank you for your warm welcome – an exciting journey lies ahead!

*Mr Mitchell Allsopp*  
**Headteacher**



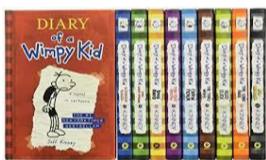
## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Personal information

We would like to remind all parents/carers that if you have changed any contact details over the holidays, please can you advise the office as soon as possible at [admin@gro.mmat.co.uk](mailto:admin@gro.mmat.co.uk).

### Library News

Our library is open every Monday after school from 3-4pm. Students can explore the library, read or take part in book-related crafts and quizzes. The library recently had a very kind donation of books, from Cheswardine Community Book Hub.



Donations of books suitable for ages 11-16 can be made by contacting [sophie.berry@gro.mmat.co.uk](mailto:sophie.berry@gro.mmat.co.uk).

### Art Trip

Our first trip of the year was a brilliant art trip to Wolverhampton and Walsall Art Gallery on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January. We took a mix of year 9 to 13 Art students. The students saw a variety of artwork and have been inspired to use this in their future lessons. A very successful and fun day out!



### Panto

For the first time we took 220 students to see Treasure Island in Telford. It was an amazing event enjoyed by all students.



### Discovery day

On Monday we had our first Discovery Day of 2024, where students were engaged with the “Dreams and Goals” topic. In this unit of work, our students considered what their ambitions are for the future, in all aspects of their life, discussed how they can achieve them along with overcoming drawbacks. Discovery day also enable students to meet Mr. Allsopp and set aspirations for the future. The vibe around the school was calm, purposeful, and students were deeply engaged with their learning.



### Council led Parent Workshops

Shropshire Council are running the following sessions – “Understanding Your Child” and “Sleep Tight” workshops this Spring. Please find attached to this newsletter information regarding booking these.

## Coffee Morning



So far, we have had a strong response to our meet and greet sessions with Mr. Allsopp and the senior leadership team. This will be a wonderful opportunity to discuss the changes happening at The Grove. Our meetings are being held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 9am, 3:15pm and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 10:45. All parents/carers welcome! If you haven't already done so, please sign up by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/hEQEsxiqEJ>

## UPCOMING EVENTS



- 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> January Year 13 Mock exams
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> January Coffee mornings
- 25<sup>th</sup> January Progress Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> February Break up for half term

Click [here](#) to view our term dates.

## NEWS

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