



Grace Cook Primary Newsletter Issue 2 January 2022



Dear The Grace Cook Community,

We can finally wish you a Happy New Year as we look forward to the opening of Grace Cook Primary and Nursery school this September. I've been thoroughly enjoying my visits to see parents and children who have completed applications for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 this month. If you would like a visit, then please do get in touch using the email below – office@gracecook.omat.org.uk

The school build is on track, and we were delighted to see the Nursery roof being fitted recently. Work has now begun on the internal parts of the school as the walls begin to go up!

Mr Richard Dedicoat - Headteacher

Admissions

Our admissions are still open and we continue to welcome children to Grace Cook Primary School in September 2022. (This is different to the Local Authority Deadline of 15th January that has now passed)

We will be offering places for children in:

Nursery (date of birth 1st September 2018 – 31st August 2019)

Reception (Date of birth 1st September 2017 – 31st August 2018)

Year 1 (Date of birth 1st September 2016 – 31st August 2017)

Year 2 (Date of birth 1st September 2015 – 31st August 2016)

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admissions@gracecook.omat.org.uk (or via website – admissions tab)

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In the News!

Latest article about our new school in the Bury free Press this month.

[Link](#)

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Dates for the diary

Week commencing Monday
31st January 2022

National Story Telling week

Friday 4th February 2022

National Number Day

Tuesday 8th February 2022

Safer Internet Day

Thursday 3rd March 2022

World Book Day

Home Grown – Grow your own vegetables

Have you ever wanted to grow your own vegetables but didn't know where to start? Groundwork East in partnership with Tesco have created Home Grown - Follow the [Link](#) for more details. The deadline is **11th February 2022** and is open to families with primary age children

Updates

Since the last newsletter I've had the opportunity to visit the School site each week and talk to the building contractors Carter about the build and how it's progressing.

I've met with Councillor Keith Welham to discuss the path connections between the Northview housing development (Tynan Crescent and Kipling Way). He's hopeful that a new pathway will be laid by the start of the new academic year in September.

Further to this I've visited Stowmarket High school to discuss the SHELF project with Headteacher Dave Lee Allen and Kate Parnum (Regeneration Project Manager – Babergh/ Mid Suffolk Council). A project that's set to develop the sports provision for the area that encompasses the local schools. In addition to this I've continued to meet with our new Chair of the Local Governing Committee – Jo Stanley Bell. More about Governance in future newsletters.

Talking Points – following the information shared in the last newsletter we continue the theme of encouraging talk.

Nursery

Tell a grown-up why birds need extra food in winter.
What does hibernate mean?

Reception

Describe to an adult what ice feels like to touch
Explain to a grown up the meaning of the words frost frozen and temperature

Year 1

Using objects you have found at home – can you make a repeating pattern?
Can you describe to someone at home who the characters are in the traditional tale of The Little Red Hen?

How many Tens and ones are in the following numbers? 17,24,32

