



WEEKLY BULLETIN



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week is No Limits in school. A week where we push the limits with the curriculum and challenge students to try something new and something adventurous. To develop interpersonal skills and a sense of community. The week is symbolised by the huge inflatable 'It's a Knockout' course that appears each year at the front of school and this certainly is a favourite with the students (and at times staff).

Alongside this, students celebrate diversity with the colour run; community with the picnic and canal walk; sport with Dodgeball, Table Tennis and the 'Get Active' day; personal challenge with Boxing and team building; teamwork through Zorb Football and commitment through Engineering and Archery.

Students also get to experience trips to The Crocky Trail, Alton Towers, Chester Zoo, a cinema trip and The Birks. Much of this is created by our excellent staff who put many of the activities together and supported by Year 10 and 12 students who ensure the activities run well. For every student in the school it is an opportunity of self-discovery, developing friendships, overcoming challenge and fun. It is truly an opportunity to learn without limits.

Darryn Robinson
Deputy Headteacher

National Enterprise Challenge

This week we had four students from The Grove competing at Wembley as part of the National Enterprise Challenge Grand Final. The students were tasked to design a new logo for Ryman, which they started during a project in school earlier on in the year. From this initial concept, they have since gone on to develop their idea, which concluded with presenting at Wembley in front of a panel of judges, made up of industry experts from across the country. Unfortunately the girls did not get through to the final 10, but did exceptionally well against more than 200 schools, in very intimidating circumstances (imagine being on stage in front of a crowd at Wembley Stadium!). The girls represented themselves and the school perfectly and we are incredibly proud of them.



Top ATL Performers

A huge congratulations to the following students who are our top ATL performers from last week:

Position	Student	Tutor	Number of ATL 1's
1	Jade	9EBR	25
2	Matilda	9EBR	24
3	Kayla	8DJO	22
4	Abbie	9EPR	18
	Emi	9PER	18
5	Elizabeth	9EBR	17
	Emily	9PER	17
	Lilly	9EBR	17
	Rhiannon	9EBR	17
	Zachary	9EBR	17

New Equipment

We were recently able to purchase some new Djembe Drums for the Music Department thanks to the support of the music concerts held over the past academic year. It is not only fabulous to showcase our very talented students, but the funds raised from ticket sales and at the event are so helpful to secure the extra equipment for the department. A big thank you to everyone who has supported the events this year!



Year 6 Transition

Year 6 students have been on transition visits for two days this week and have fully embraced life at The Grove School, with the assistance of our Student Ambassador Team! Students have taken part in a variety of lessons and activities and concluded their visit with a disco organised by our Sixth Form students on Tuesday afternoon! We are very much looking forward to the Year 6 students joining us as Year 7's in September.



No Limits Day 1

Wednesday saw Day 1 of our No Limits activity days! Whilst Year 9 have been out at West Midlands Safari Park and Alton Towers, Year 7 and 8 have taken part in a complete programme of fun activities. These have included; 'it's a knock out' inflatables, a colour run, cookery challenges, cycling, retro gaming, engineering, team building and many more! No Limits is a great way to celebrate coming to the end of the academic year and rewards students for their hard work.



Maths Leaders Trip

Our Maths Leaders trip to the Outdoor Education Centre, Kingswood Colomendy took place recently. Students had great fun, enjoying a range of activities: a high ropes course, a giant swing and even archery. During workshops, the students were challenged to fold paper to make tetrahedron frustums and then join them together to make a football! Miss Erskine, the trip leader commented "It was a pleasure to take this group of students on the trip, their behaviour was impeccable and I hope they enjoyed it as much as we did."



Sixth Form Student Ambassador Team

We recently appointed the following students as our Sixth Form Officers following an interview process:

Hollie Bentley, Head Girl and Ed Winfield, Head Boy have been selected to head up the Ambassador Team, some of their responsibilities will include acting as ambassadors for the school, both within The Grove School and in the wider community; they will assist with presentations at key school events and report findings to the Senior Leadership Team.

Megan Matthews has been appointed as Lead Mentor, responsible for identifying people for the Community Responsibility Programme. She is also tasked with co-ordinating the placement of The Grove School students with Sixth Form Mentors, along with identifying new opportunities for Sixth Form involvement within the wider community.

Millie Cadwell and Suzie Hird were appointed as Social Secretaries. Some of their role will include, leading a team of Sixth Form students on Open Evening and other public events to assist with promoting the Sixth Form to the wider community. They will lead the Sixth Form Committee in planning various fund-raising activities, both for charity (e.g. Macmillan Coffee morning, Children in Need) and to fund the annual Summer Ball. They will also lead the Sixth Form Committee in arranging events such as the Year 7 Valentine Disco.



Sporting Success

Year 7 student George Brassington recently celebrated some sporting success in a recent Cricket match, which was featured in the Market Drayton Advertiser. George's amazing bowling secured victory for Woore in their U13 Section W home game against Whitmore. Whitmore, who could only field nine players, were bowled out for just three – after Woore had amassed 179-8. George bowled only nine deliveries in the innings and ended up with figures of 5-0.



Trutex Uniform Events

Sunday 14th July, 10:00am - 15:00pm.
New Year 7 students are invited to attend.

Sunday 28th July, 10:00am - 14:00pm.
Invite to new Year 7 students unable to attend the above event, along with current Grove students wanting to purchase new uniform.

Sunday 11th August, 10:00am to 14:00pm.
Invitation to current Grove students wanting to purchase new uniform.

Thursday 15th August, 17:00pm to 19:30pm.
Invitation to current Grove students wanting to purchase new uniform.