



I was trying to find the right words to describe this year and came across this Wordle. Firstly, it reminded me that there simply are not enough words to capture the cacophony of emotions we will have all felt over the past 16 months. Secondly it prompted me to reflect on the importance of celebrating the numerous achievements our children, staff and community have accomplished within the context of yet another unpredictable and frustrating year.

Our glass half full approach helps us all to take the time needed to reflect upon and nurture all the positive values, such as respect, honesty and resilience, that binds our school community tightly together for the good of our children.

Please try to take time over your summer break to just enjoy being together because ... *“Doing nothing with friends is never doing nothing, is it?”* (Charlie Mackesy)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank:

All Staff and Governors for their dedication, commitment and continued support.

The FOEG Committee for their amazing fund raising.

In particular, we would like to thank Sarah Fogarty who is standing down as Co-Chair; we are extremely grateful for her commitment to this position and the school as a whole. Farah Shah and Lara Slater are becoming acting co-chairs and Emma Sandford is joining the committee as secretary.

All Helping Hand Co-ordinators for providing a very useful liaison with the school and parents.

I would also like to thank all parents and carers for your continued support this year. A great deal of what we do in school would never be achieved without you. Finally, I wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this academic year all the very best on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here at Ewell Grove and this will enable them to go on to achieve great things in the future.

Have a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again on **Wednesday 1st September**.

Mrs Kate Keane
Headteacher



PARENTS AND CARERS INFORMATION BOOKLET

Please find attached the 2021-2022 [Parents and Carers Information Booklet](#) which provides you with a range of information about Ewell Grove; including updated information regarding school uniform, PE Kit and Arrival at School.

The booklet is available on our website under 'virtual office'. If you require a paper copy please contact the School Office.

THE GREAT GROVE DRAW

The Friends of Ewell Grove are pleased to announce the winner of the The Great Grove Draw:

Congratulations to Mrs Correia

EARRINGS

Children cannot participate in any form of PE activity with earrings in. Therefore new piercing should take place during the Summer Holiday, so that the holes have six weeks to heal. PE is a National Curriculum subject and therefore a legal requirement. Children should not miss the lessons unless absolutely necessary.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021

1st September to 17th December
Half Term 25th to 29th October

Spring Term 2022

4th January to 1st April
Half Term 14th to 18th February

Summer Term 2022

19th April to 22nd July

(children's last day is Friday 15th)

Half Term 30th May to 3rd June

Inset Days

18th July

19th July

20th July

21st July

22nd July

CLIMATE CHANGE COMPETITION



Four winning children will not only win a £5,000 grant for their school, they will have their voices heard at COP26 - the United Nations climate change conference in Glasgow in November - and they will also win fab educational prizes for themselves!

To enter National Grid's 'Voices for a Green Future' competition, pupils in school years 3-10, ages 7-15, can submit up to 200 words to answer the question **'If you were in charge of the country, what would YOU do to help look after the planet?'**.

For more details on the competition, including materials for parents to inspire their children visit <https://ngrid.com/3quUXWT>.