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Dear parents/carers

As we are coming to the end of the half term, I thought I would write to tell you what a pleasure it has been for me as Headteacher at Grove these last few weeks. Your children have been a delight (helping me to settle in and making sure I don't get lost) and seeing them come into school so happily and positively has been wonderful. We have had a busy time this term, and I hope your teachers have been keeping you up to date with the many goings on. As well as the huge amounts of learning that has been going on, there has been swimming, drumming, polyphones, parent workshops, Mental Health Day and lots more. There are loads more things planned for the next half term, so please keep an eye out for letters and information from us.

I also wanted to ask you to be aware of how we drive near school. I have worked in many schools, and every one I have worked in has had issues with traffic outside school. The fact is the roads were not designed for this many cars and there are times when it is very frustrating. Can I please ask that you stay patient and not get frustrated with other drivers. There is usually no one person at fault, so beeping horns will not achieve anything. My biggest fear is that a child gets hit by a car outside our school, and the chances of this increase when people are cross and start to drive aggressively. So please be patient and remember there are children coming out of school.

Just a quick reminder that school is closed next **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October** for an INSET day, and then it is the half term holiday. School then begins again on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**.

It just remains for me to say that I hope you have a wonderful break and if there is anything you would like to discuss about your child, or their education, please feel free to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

Philip Salisbury  
Headteacher

