

Grange Primary School Newsletter



2017/2018

ISSUE 1

FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Autumn Term

6th September -
20th October

**Half Term (23rd -
27th October)**

30th October -
20th December

Spring Term

4th January - 9th
February

**Half Term (12th -
16th February)**

19th February -
29th March

**Half Term (30th
March - 15th April)**

Summer Term

16th April - 25th
May

**Half Term (28th
May - 1st June)**

4th June - 20th
July



Dear Grange families,

It has been a wonderful week exploring and getting used to our new and exciting facilities. We have already enjoyed five assemblies attended by all children and we found the experience remarkable. Many of you have approached us and shared how much you like the positive changes in our physical environment. Thank you for all your lovely comments. As the class assemblies start soon, you will be able to experience our amazing Albert Makenzie Hall.

On the back of this good news, we are happy to share that following the Ofsted visit in July we have received the report and it is available on the Ofsted website and after Monday, 18 July, it will be available on our school website. Here are some highlights from the report:

' This school continues to be good.'

' Pupils enjoy a stimulating curriculum which is reflected well in each classroom across the school...Pupils say that they are happy to come to school and be with their friends. They trust adults at the school and they know that they will be safe.'

Well done and thank you to all our children, teachers, teaching support staff and adults working at Grange. Thank you to all our parents, carers, governors and community for their continued support and co-operation.

To read the full report go to: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>. Please type in the school's postcode in the search box and enjoy reading it.

Ms Valcheva & Ms Webb



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AUTUMN TERM 17/18

Star & Moon

Star and Moon class have made a confident start to their year. Some of these children have just joined our school, so we extend a warm welcome to them and wish them well at the start of this exciting journey! All of the children have had fun playing, exploring together and beginning to build new relationships with the adults and children in their classes. We have started a mini topic on the theme of 'Birthdays'; the children have enjoyed sharing stories from when they have had a birthday. They heard the story 'Snappy Birthday' and planned ideas for a birthday party.



Sun

Nursery children have settled in very quickly. They enjoy watching through the window their new playground being built. The digger is their favourite!

Mercury

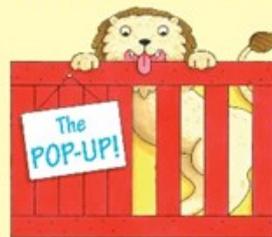
Mercury class have been settling in well to Year 1. The children have been learning through play and acting out the story Dear Zoo. In maths the children are representing numbers using counters on a number frame.



Venus

As part of our first full week as year 1 children, Venus class have been reading Dear Zoo and doing English activities as part of our book. We have been describing animals and using our super skills to write sentences.

Dear Zoo

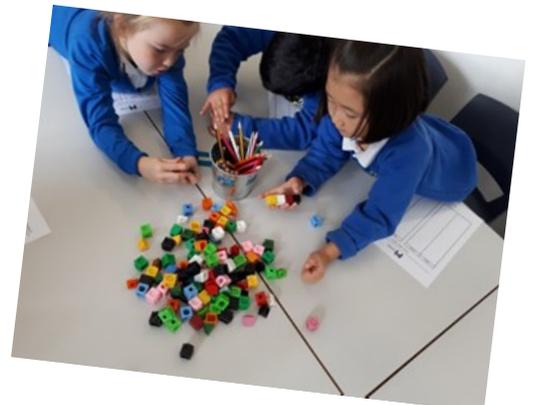


Rod Campbell



Planet Earth

Planet Earth have had a great start to the new school year. In maths we have focused on numbers and what makes up a 2 digit number. Here the children are practicing making 2 digit numbers using tens and ones.



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Mars

Mars class have settled into our new classroom. We have had an exciting week reading the book 'Not now Bernard'. During P.E. we played with the parachute and had a lot of fun together working as a team.



Jupiter

Jupiter Class are settling in really well and have produced some amazing work on our theme of Kindness. They now have Chess sessions on a Monday afternoon and Peter, the chess teacher, told us that they are a great group of children who are really enthusiastic. This makes us so proud. They are also very lucky because they have two teachers this year; Mr. Bugg & Miss Cook (trainee) and our lovely Jan (TA). This week we will have completed our 'Passports to Year 3' and we hope they can bring samples home soon to show their family.



Saturn

Saturn Class have settled in well to Year 3, they are enjoying spending time with their friends and meeting their new teacher, Miss Needham and teaching assistants, Mandy and Caroline. The classroom is looking bright and colourful and the children are excited about being in Key Stage 2.

Upcoming Events

Monday 18th September

KS2 Football Club
(3.30-5pm)

Secondary transfer meeting
for Y6 parents 5.30pm
(Albert Makenzie Hall)

Tuesday 19th September

Y6 Swimming Club
(3.00-4.30pm)

Year 6

Secondary school open
days are coming up, please
refer to the letter handed
out with regards to dates
and times.

Supernova

Supernova class have settled in really well and are getting used to the routines of Year 4. They are also super excited about their swimming lessons this year which have started this week!



Galaxy

Galaxy class have had an excellent start to the year, returning focused and ready to learn. This week we have been focusing on place value and a book called 'Grandpa Chatterji'.



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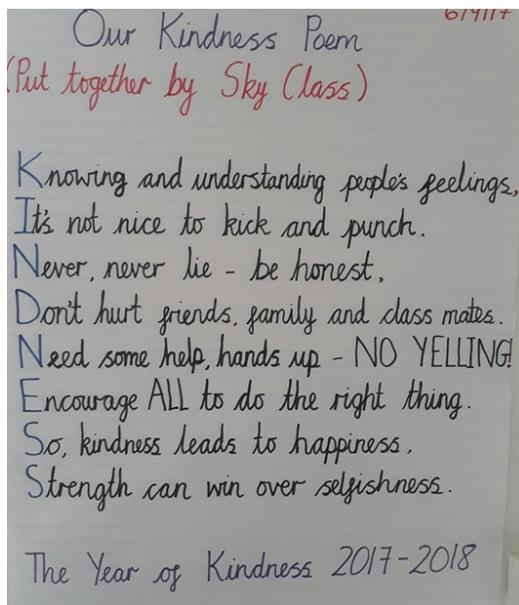


Pluto

Pluto Class have made a fantastic start to the year. We have been working hard around the theme of Kindness. We are very proud of the poems we have created this week.

Neptune

Neptune have had a fantastic start to the year. This week, we focussed on writing alternative endings to the fairy-tale, Cinderella. There were some brilliant ideas and all the groups worked well and used role play to help them think through the plot. Well done!



Sky

Sky class have been working hard on establishing routines and expectations this week for our final year at Grange. We have enjoyed looking at the theme of kindness and created our own Sky class poem to share with you!

Aurora

In Aurora class we have been working hard on our start to Year 6, with our routines and expectations. We have been discussing Grange's Year of Kindness and identified acts of kindness that we would like to demonstrate throughout the year. Then we have created our Tree of Kindness to represent our aspirations.



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