



Grange Primary School Newsletter

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Autumn Term

7th September -
21st October

Half Term (24th - 28th October)

31st October -
21st December

Spring Term

5th January -
10th February

Half Term (13th - 17th February)

20th February -
31st March

Summer Term

18th April - 26th
May

Half Term (29th May - 2nd June)

6th June - 21st
July



Dear Grange families,

We hope you had a restful Spring break, and managed to enjoy the sunshine. Your children have returned to school with a spring in their step, and with a refreshed focus for learning.

This week we introduced our new behaviour system 'Stay on Green'. The basic principle is that children are encouraged to make positive choices in lessons, and on the playground. Children who consistently make the right choices are rewarded, and those that have perhaps made some mistakes, have the opportunity to go back to green, and make amends. So far, so good! I have already seen lots of children's names on the Bronze award - they have been rewarded for doing something extra special in their learning, or around school. Well done! A note regarding collecting your child from school: if you have arranged for an alternative adult to pick up your son or daughter from school at the end of the day, please inform staff in the school office. This will ensure that we know that all our children are safe, and going home with a trusted adult.

Best wishes from the Grange Team.

We want your suggestions!

We have a suggestion box in our entrance hall for any parents, carers or visitors wishing to share their views, opinions or suggestions. Please feel free to collect a slip from the school office; we would love to hear from you!

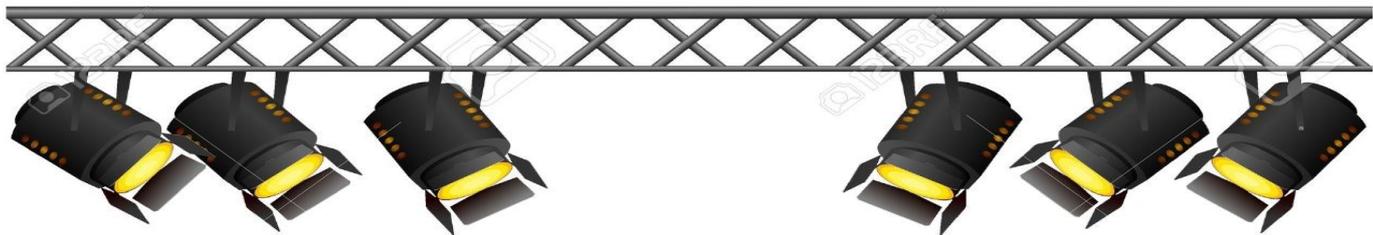


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Star

In Star Class this week, children have been using their problem solving skills to share some chocolate eggs equally between their friends.



Moon

Moon class children went to visit 'The Art of the Brick' Super Hero exhibition in Waterloo. Children had a wonderful opportunity to admire the artwork of Nathan Sawaya who built every single super hero using Lego bricks. Children were also given a chance to build their own super hero or invention of choice.

Mercury

Mercury class learnt all about Judaism this Wednesday and why Jewish people celebrate Hanukkah. Mohamed has made a star of David and is proudly showing his writing. He has explained the story behind the miracle of Hanukkah.



Venus

In RE this week Venus class have looked at the Jewish faith. We learnt about the different symbols and made our own Star of David. We focused on their festival of light called Hanukkah and made a fact booklet about the festival.

Planet Earth

Planet Earth have completed two maths investigations! The first was about partitioning where we managed to partition two-digit numbers into tens and ones. The second investigation was about odd and even numbers. We even swapped with Mars class which was really fun!



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Mars

This week a real highlight for Mars Class was when we learnt all about Judaism during our RE focus day. We particularly loved using the internet for research and creating bubble grams full of amazing facts!



Jupiter

For the rest of the term Grange will be practising 'mindfulness' to help with children's concentration and well-being. Mindfulness is a form of relaxation and meditation which aims to quieten the mind and focus on the present moment - rather than thinking about the future or the past. There is evidence that mindfulness ultimately helps with children's focus and academic attainment. I think Jupiter class are already beginning to feel the benefits!

Saturn

Saturn class have returned from their Easter break very focused and ready to learn. This week we have begun looking at a book called 'A walk in London' in English, we learnt the names of different types of angles in Maths, investigated magnetic and non-magnetic materials in Science and learnt about Judaism in RE.



Upcoming Events

Monday 24th April

Football Training Y5/6
(3.30-4.30pm)

Tuesday 25th April

Y6 Swimming Club
(3:00-4.30pm)

Netball Club Y3/4
(3.30-4.30pm)

Wednesday 26th April

Football Club Y3/4
Multi Skills Club Y3/4
Choir Club
(All 3.30-4.30pm)

Thursday 27th April

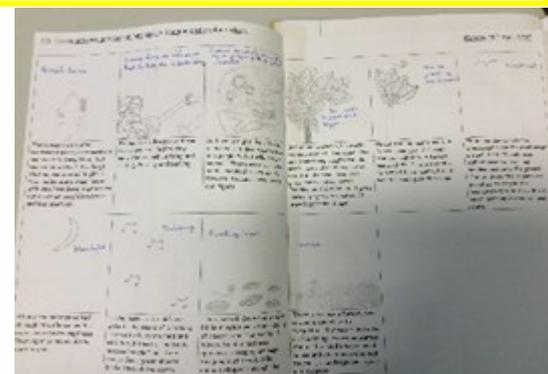
Girls Football Y5/6
(3.30-4.30pm)

Friday 28th April

Netball Club Y5/6
(3.30-5pm)

Supernova

Supernova have been looking at the book 'The Tin Forest' by Helen Ward and Wayne Anderson. The children had to read the text, and then use their skills of inference and deduction to decide what the illustrations might look like to fit the description. Tori-Hannah did a fantastic job! Take a look!



Galaxy

Galaxy have been studying the Stone Age in History, and found it super interesting. Check out our attempts at cave painting in art - we really enjoyed doing them, and think the end results were really effective. We hope you do too!

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Neptune

Neptune Class have settled into the summer term well. We have enjoyed learning about Judaism this week and working as part of a team to create a new class charter.



Pluto

On Wednesday it was RE Day at Grange! Our focus was Judaism. Pluto class used religious artefacts to solve problems in Maths, and researched the meanings behind special symbols.

Sky

In PE lessons we have been improving our skills of throwing, and in particular our accuracy. We had to make the ball travel in a circular path, and then progressed to making a figure of eight. I passed the ball overarm from behind my head and Abdiah caught it, passed it through her legs, and then did an overarm pass to make an eight. It was great fun! By Bonita.



This weekend I, along with 40,000 other people, will be running the London Marathon - a distance of just over 26 miles!! I will be running to raise money for 'Cancer is a Drag' - a charity that supports people and families living with cancer. If you would like to sponsor me the link is as follows:

www.virginmoneygiving.com/SallyNeville1

Thank you,
Ms Neville (Jupiter Class teacher)



Aurora

Aurora Class have been working extremely hard to prepare for SATS. The children have come back refreshed after the Easter break and are ready for that last push. Brushing up on all aspects of the curriculum, the children are prepared to go that extra mile to succeed. Wish us luck (SATS begin the week of the 8th May).



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