Dear Grange families,

We hope you all have a restful, fun half term. May we take this opportunity to say thank you for your continued support to date particularly in encouraging your children to read. Daily reading at home can add up to a year’s extra progress in reading and this builds confidence and enjoyment across the rest of the curriculum too. If we keep up this trajectory of improvement I think all the children at Grange will be set for great things.

Please read on to find out what has been happening across the school this week; we’ve had another busy, exciting week as usual.

Best wishes from the Grange Team.

Children will return to school on Tuesday 26th February 2019

Year 5 visit to the Unicorn Theatre

On Tuesday 12th February, the Year Five classes visited the Unicorn Theatre to watch a performance of 'Icarus'. The show told the story of Icarus, which is one of the Greek myths. The production itself was modern, exciting and thrilling at times. The children watched the show with great interest and were chatting happily about their experience afterwards. Billie said, "I'm going to write in my diary tonight and talk all about our trip to the theatre. I'd give it a 9.7 out of 10!"
**Sun**

Children in Sun Class have been learning about patterns this week. We looked at 'people patterns', 'sound patterns' as well as patterns in nature and our environment. Children practised making patterns using different objects. We also listened to 'Little Red Riding-Hood' story and children made Valentine's cards for their parents.

**Moon**

This week in Moon Class, we have learned the phonics sound: 'air'. We now know lots of words which contain the 'air' sound, including 'hair'. To help us remember our new sound, we have added silly hair to pictures of ourselves. We then wrote some fantastic sentences to describe our new hairstyles.

**Venus**

Venus Class have been acting in role as the queen’s advisors from the book ‘Rumpelstiltskin’. The advisors had to go and look for names that belonged to the strange creepy goblin. Venus Class read out the names and wrote them onto a phoneme frame. We shared our names with the other advisors to see if we could guess Rumpelstiltskin’s name. We had lots of fun.
Upcoming Events

Happy Half Term!
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All clubs will resume after the half term.

Galaxy
This week Galaxy Class have been learning about the treatment of some animals in zoos around the world. We have acted in role and written persuasive letters about changing these conditions. In Maths we have been learning about decimals and have researched information about London.

Planet Earth
Planet Earth Class have been learning about The Fire of London this half term. We became reporters earlier in the week and wrote a newspaper report about the events of the great fire. Some of us managed to include a quote from an eye witness Samuel Pepys!

Saturn
After an intensive half term of learning Saturn Class this week were rewarded with the opportunity to show off their Maths skills by playing Maths ICT games. These games are a fantastic way for the children to learn and consolidate their number bonds and times tables. Many of you already know some of the games such as 'hit the button' which is helping us learn the times tables we need to know for the end of the year. Over the half term please practise this times tables with your children so we can apply them in our Maths lessons in school.
Pluto
Pluto Class went to the Unicorn theatre on Tuesday and had the pleasure of watching the Greek Myth 'Icarus.' The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and represented Grange Primary School in a very positive manner.

Sky
Sky Class are at into university this week and have started off with a bang. We have started learning all about World War 2 and some very famous and inspiring people that were involved in it. These people are; Anne Frank, Billy Strachan and Winston Churchill. We have been finding out where the stories started, why they are inspirations and what their roles were during WW2.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

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Thought of the week...

The best way to predict your future is to create it.