



Grange Primary School

News of the Week

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FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY 2020

Term Dates 19/20

Spring Term 1

6th January—
14th February

Half Term

Spring Term 2

25th February—
3rd April

Half Term

Summer Term 1

20th April—
22nd May

Half Term

Summer Term 2

2nd June—21st
July



Dear Grange families,

An exciting opportunity- Tales of Courage

Grange has signed up to take part in the pilot of a new digital tool. This tool aims to support children who may show signs of excessive worry, anxiety or phobias. Children will be given the opportunity to play the game Tales of Courage for between 30-40 minutes at a time. This game has offline activities that the parent will encourage their child to attempt and the aim is to help the child gradually overcome their fears through slow exposure to them. The game is suitable for children aged 7-12 years of age. Some parents have expressed an interest in joining the pilot, but it is not too late to sign up.

There are 16 common fears that the program tackles:

- Staying at home without a parent or carer
- Making mistakes in school work or during tests
- Sleeping in places other than their home overnight
- Sleeping on their own
- Speaking in front of a group
- Spending time in crowded or busy places
- Spending time in the dark
- Spending time near a dog
- Spending time in places that are high up
- Spending time near insects or spiders
- Making new friends
- Going to parties or social gatherings
- Going to school
- Eating or drinking in front of other people
- Vomit
- Needles, injections, doctors or dentists

Class Assemblies:

Thank you to all the parents/ carers who attended Mercury and Planet Earth Assemblies this week. Well Done to all the pupils for being so confident and sharing all their exciting learning with us!

Best wishes from the Grange Team.

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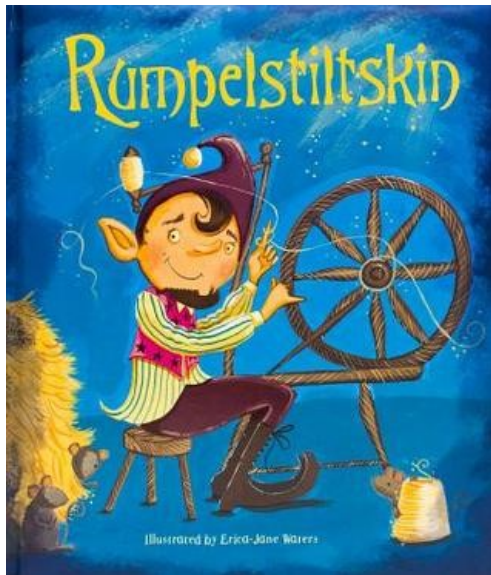
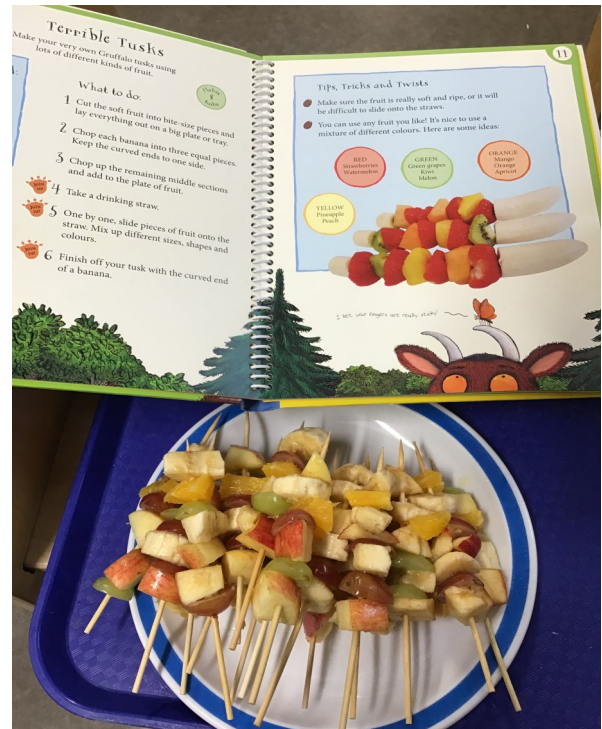
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Star

In Star Class the children have really enjoyed preparing some healthy recipes and sampling some delicious fruit treats. We read some recipes from 'The Gruffalo Recipe Book' and made lovely fruit kebabs, a special celery 'logpile house' and we even squeezed our own orange juice too.

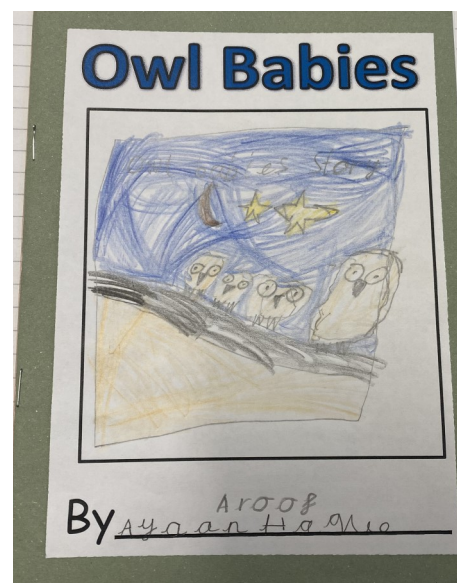


Venus

This week is Venus class we have been writing the story of Rumpelstiltskin. We have done a great job using our Phonics to write words like 'necklace', 'ring' and 'straw'. We are really enjoying our lessons on Fairy Tales and we can't wait to write our own stories.

Mars

This week, Mars class have been editing and publishing their owl babies stories. The children had a chance to write up their stories neatly and publish them into their own books. This example is from Ayaan Haque who really tries hard with his writing.
Well done Ayaan and Mars Class.



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Jupiter

Year 3 have been learning about Ancient Egyptian mummification. We used drama to explore the steps that go into making a mummy, and the children got to explore what it is like to be a priest in charge of turning Pharaohs into mummies. By the end of the week they will have written complete instructions on how to make a mummy. In maths we have been practicing sharing equally, the children have been using manipulatives to help them solve these questions and are improving throughout the week. In topic this week children will be writing diary entries imagining that they are Howard Carter and they have found the tomb of the Pharaoh Tutankhamun.



Upcoming Events

Monday

Chess Club Y3-4
Football Team Club Y5-6
Homework Club Y6

Tuesday

Art Club
Y1/2

Wednesday

Netball Club Y3/4
Athletics Club Y1/2

Thursday

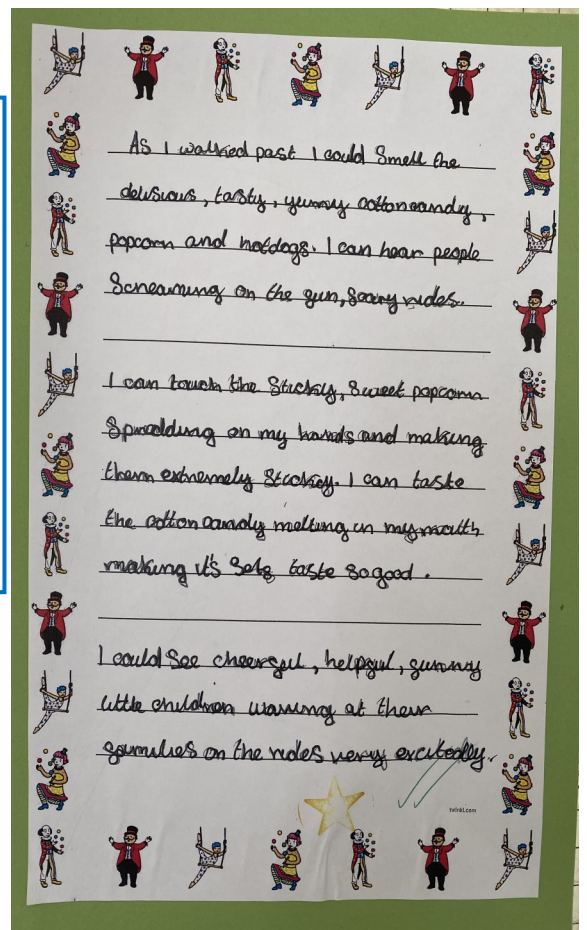
Football Club Y3-4

Friday

Netball Team
Y5/6
All clubs will finish at
4.30pm

Galaxy

Year 4 have been looking at descriptive writing this week. We have used the 5 senses and alliteration techniques to describe the setting of a circus. This links with the book *Leon* and the *Place Between* which we are working on in English.



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Looming marvellous!

This week we had a visit from Richard, a member of The Worshipful Company of the Weavers, who have kindly supported our school for over twenty years. The Weavers have generously donated a brand new loom to Grange, so children can learn the art of weaving.

A small group of children, who attend Art Club, were able to experience a demonstration from Richard and they also had the opportunity to try out weaving for themselves. Walter, Victoria and Gianni from Mars Class enjoyed winding the yarn on to a shuttle in preparation for weaving. Their favourite yarn was called 'chenille', and the children were amazed by how soft it was. In fact, chenille is the French word for 'caterpillar' and it got its name because of its resemblance to a soft, furry caterpillar.

We then used the yarn to begin weaving a scarf. Victoria added a purple stripe and Gianni made his own tassel. Walter wondered if we could attempt to win a Guinness World Record for weaving the world's longest scarf!



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Fizz Free February!

The beginning of February marked the start of Fizz Free February meaning it is time to ditch sugary drinks for 28 days.

Why should I stop drinking fizzy drinks in February?

Fizzy drinks are the largest single source of sugar for children aged 11-18. They provide an average of 29% of daily sugar intake with most containing 6 or more teaspoons of sugar per can.

Why is sugar bad for my health?

Excess sugar leads to development of unhealthy fat and weight gain, which in turn increases the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes, stroke, some cancers and tooth decay.

FORGET FIZZY DRINKS THIS FEBRUARY



Join in with your friends and go fizz free

Find out more at southwark.gov.uk/gofizzfree

Southwark Council
southwark.gov.uk

How can I cut down the amount of sugar I have in other areas of my diet?

The easiest way to cut down the amount of sugar you have in your diet is through simple swaps: change fizzy drinks to water, opt for lower fat milks and choose sugar-free or no added sugary drinks.

What food and drink items are most likely to have high amounts of sugar?

Kids in particular are getting a lot of their sugar from fizzy drinks, fruit juice, table sugar, biscuits, buns, cakes, pastries, puddings, breakfast cereals, sweets, chocolate and ice cream.

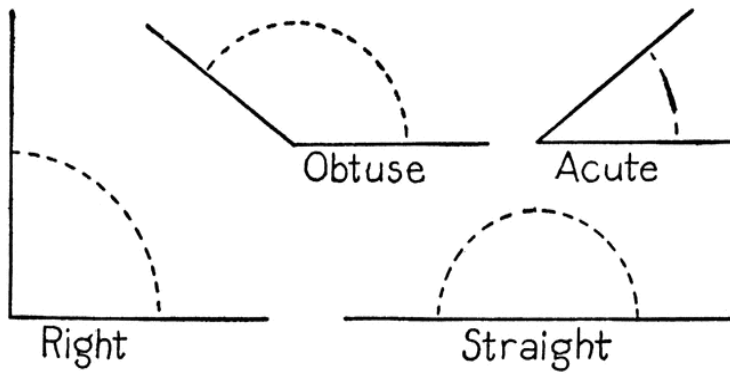
Save your pocket money too! You can save £438 a year if you stopped drinking one bottle of soft drink per day for a year!

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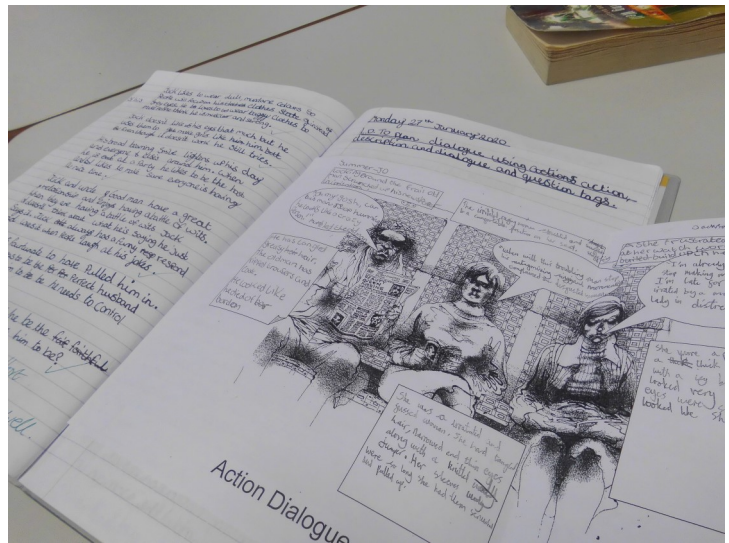


Neptune

Neptune Class have been learning about different types of angles. They have been using the correct vocabulary to describe the angles as well as drawing angles accurately using a protractor which they have enjoyed this week!

Aurora

Aurora Class are continuing to read 'The Wedding Ghost' and this week we have been writing character descriptions using action, dialogue and description. We have been trying hard to include stylistic devices and figurative language such as similes, metaphors and personification in our characterisations.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

School Year 2018-19		%
Attendance	Whole School	86%
Key Stage 1 Winner	Mars	91.3%
Key Stage 2 Winner	Sky	89.7%
Punctuality	Whole School	97.5%
Key Stage 1 winner	Mars	99%
Key Stage 2 winner	Sky	99.2%

Class Assemblies at 09:10am

Tuesday 4th February: Year 2 (Mars)

Wednesday 5th February: Year 1 (Venus)

Wednesday, 12th February Year 4 (Supernova)

Wednesday, 04th March 2020: Year 4 (Galaxy)

Tuesday, 10th March: Year 3 (Jupiter)

Wednesday, 11th March: Reception (Moon)

Tuesday, 17th March: Year 3 (Saturn)

Wednesday, 18th March: Reception (Star)

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