



Grange Primary School

News of the Week



Term Dates 20/21

Autumn Term 1

7th September—23rd October

October Half Term

Autumn Term 2

2nd November—18th December

Christmas Half Term

Spring Term 1

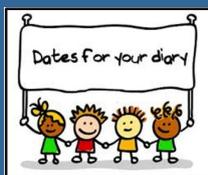
6th January—12th February

Half Term

Spring Term 2

22nd February—31st March

Easter Half Term



ISSUE

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2020

Dear Grange families,



Raising expectations: 'Be Ready. Be Respectful. Be Safe!'

Teachers have been gradually raising the expectations around work, presentation and behaviour as the past few weeks have gone on to allow all children a transition period and to settle back in. We are aware that some children are still struggling with stamina and finding 'learning' for a whole day quite tiring. Please continue to support us by ensuring they get lots of sleep each night and have a good breakfast to give them energy for the day. Please continue to hear your child read and talk about their books 4-5 times a week. Reading Books can be taken home on a Monday and returned on a Friday.

For any children having to isolate due to a suspected or positive case of Covid-19, could we please remind you that home learning is being set on Purple Mash. We would expect children to be completing this work as this is in line with the Government requirement for Remote Learning, unless of course they are ill with Covid-19. We expect the work to take between 3-4 hours a day. They should be submitting finished pieces as the teachers are checking daily and giving feedback. We would also ask that if they finish the work then they supplement learning by using Mathletics and Reading Eggs. The children have logins for these virtual platforms. If you cannot find their logins at any point then please do email the school: office@grange.southwark.sch.uk and your message will be passed onto the classteacher.

Thank You

A huge thank you again for your continued support in our attempts to keep everyone safe and well by wearing your face covering when dropping off and collecting children. It is very much appreciated. Together all we can do is try to be as careful as we possibly can. To reassure you further, in school we have enhanced cleaning protocols in place. Tables are wiped down during the day, children wash or sanitise hands at least 6 times a day, including just before they leave for the day. We have cleaning boxes in every room including anti bac, wipes, clothes, paper towels, hand gel, soap, spray bottles etc. Equipment used at play and lunchtimes are sterilised daily. We also have additional cleaners who come during the day to clean all toilets, taps and touch points such as door handles and lockers. As you can imagine, all the additional costs are placing a huge financial pressure on our already struggling budget, but we are determined to try and keep as safe as we can.

Hands – Face— Space

Let's ALL do all we can to stop the spread of the virus!

Enjoy your Halfterm!

With best wishes from the Grange Team.

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Sun

This week we continue the topic of 'Ourselves'. Thank you for the lovely family photos you sent in. Children decorated beautiful frames for them and they will be proudly displayed in our classroom. We are also learning about basic body parts and they were drawing their families in the houses they put together using different shapes. Children also made transient art of faces using different resources. We read a story: "I like Myself" by Karen Beaumont, which is a wonderful story for children's self esteem. In phonics we are learning the following sounds: 's', 'a', 't' and 'p' and the 'Jolly Phonics' song. In Mathematics children continue to learn to count to 10, basic shapes, days of the week and months of the year. This week we also welcomed two new children :)

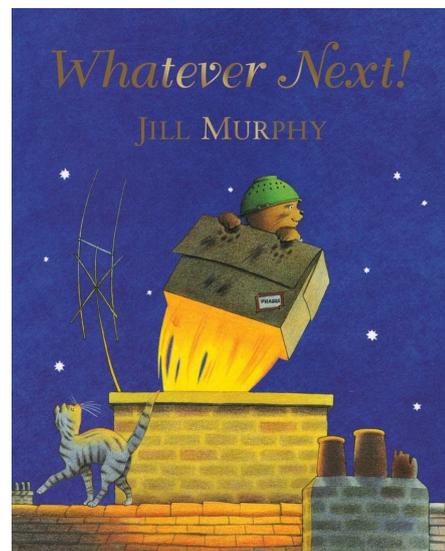


Moon

In Moon Class this week, we have been focusing on everything autumn. We have been scooping mud for counting as well as exploring and observing pumpkins. We have also been drawing our own story maps for our recycled story in Literacy using mini beasts as the characters. Well done Moon Class!

Venus

Venus class have loved reading the story *Whatever Next* by Jill Murphy this term. We practised using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops in our writing. We have not perfected them yet but we look forward to practising more with our new topic. Even though it has been a short period of time, we have all worked hard and our teachers have seen our writing improving. We will miss reading this story.



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Planet Earth

This week Planet Earth have been learning about Mary Seacole and created a fact file about her. They have continued to learn addition and subtraction facts to 20 and learnt about the Rama and Sita story.



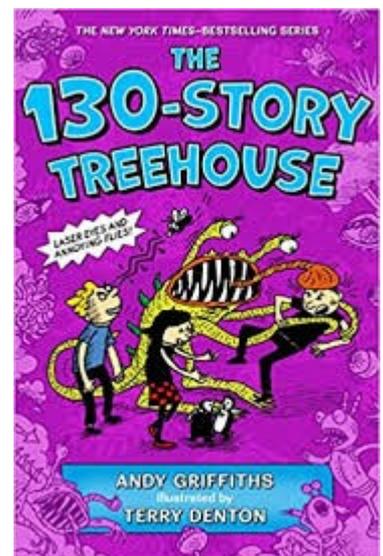
Saturn

This week, Year 3 have been learning about Diwali, we discussed the origin of the festival, how Hindus celebrate their festival and designed and created their own Rangoli patterns. In maths this week we have been practicing adding 10 and 100 fluently to help with mental addition and subtraction.

Galaxy

This week in Galaxy Class we were extremely lucky to be able watch a live interview with the author, Andy Griffiths. In the live broadcast, we heard all about where Andy gets his ideas from and how he turns them into bestselling books. We were even able to submit questions to him and hear him read extracts from his new book, *The 130 Storey Treehouse*.

Upcoming Events



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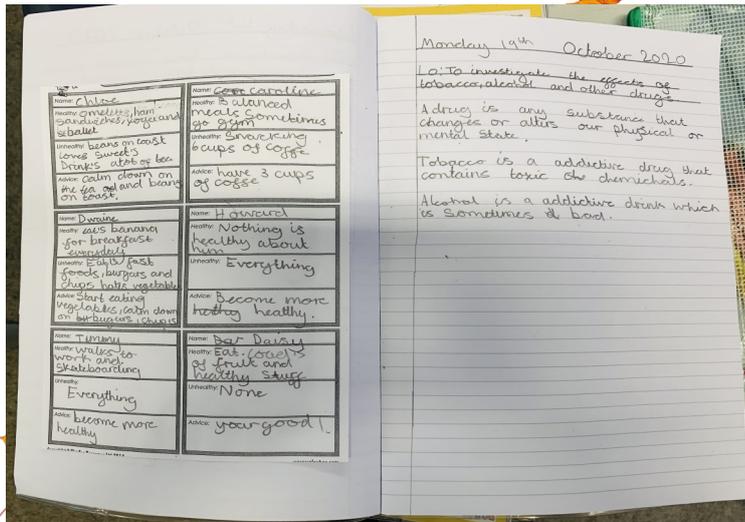
Pluto

In RE this half term, we have enjoyed learning about religious symbols in Hinduism. We have designed our own traditional Indian art including rangoli and mandala patterns. These **Mandala** are a spiritual and ritual symbol in Hinduism and Buddhism, representing the universe. The circular designs symbolises the idea that life is never ending and everything is connected.



Sky

This week in Sky class, we have concluded our science topic of human's including animals by completing healthy living profiles on fictitious characters. We explored the effects that tobacco, drugs and alcohol have on human's and what we can do to improve our life styles so that they are more healthy.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

School Year 2020-21		%
Attendance	Whole School	95.6%
Key Stage 1 Winner	Mercury	97.6%
Key Stage 2 Winner	Saturn	99%

Year 6 Secondary Applications 2021

This is reminder that secondary school applications should be completed by **Saturday, 31st October 2020**. We would recommend, however, that you complete these by the 24th October 2020 in case you have any technical issues that need to be resolved. If you require any further support please contact the school office.

You must apply online www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions before the closing date of **31st October 2020**.

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