



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

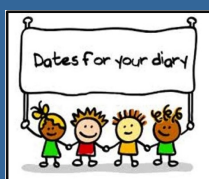
6th January—
12th February

Half Term

Spring Term 2

22nd February—
31st March

Easter Half Term



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FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2020

Dear Grange families,



Black History—Diversity Month



During the month of October we celebrate our diversity at Grange. We will be learning about contributions made by people of all backgrounds.

We will explore 'the roots that connect us and the identity that makes us who we are today.' We will be sharing real life stories and experiences that have shaped the lives of real people which started with a special assembly from Mrs Valcheva who spoke about famous Black role models in our ZOOM assembly this week.

Children will learn about the timeline of Black History during October. We encourage you to share the new, updated collection of 100 great Black Britons. <https://100greatblackbritons.com/> with your children.

Grange is committed to ensuring that every child is represented by our curriculum.

Attendance & Punctuality

THANK YOU SO MUCH to all the families who have been working hard to ensure children's attendance and punctuality is high. Establishing early good habits early on really will make a positive difference to their lives. The link between attendance and achievement cannot be over stated. Your child will achieve better if they are in school every day. Only in very exceptional circumstances should a child be absent from school. Please ensure you contact the school to inform us of your child's absence via email, telephone, ParentMail or via our Absence Pupil Form on our website.

Have a good weekend!

Best wishes from the Grange Team.

KEEP SOUTHWARK SAFE
Protect your friends and family

**COVID SYMPTOMS?
GET TESTED NOW.**

**nhs/coronavirus
OR CALL 119**

NHS
Test and Trace

Southwark Council
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Sun

Children in our Nursery continue to settle in really well. This week we celebrated Black History Month. Children are learning an African dance and two songs: 'Olele Moliba Makasi.' from Congo and a Kenyan song; 'Jambo Bwana.' Children enjoy using musical instruments to accompany African beats. Children were also learning about patterns. They painted African necklaces using different patterns. They also had fun decorating African masks. In Literacy children have been listening to: 'Handa's Surprise' story where they familiarised themselves with different fruit growing in Africa and the variety of animals that live there. Children continue learning days of the week, months of the year and counting to ten.



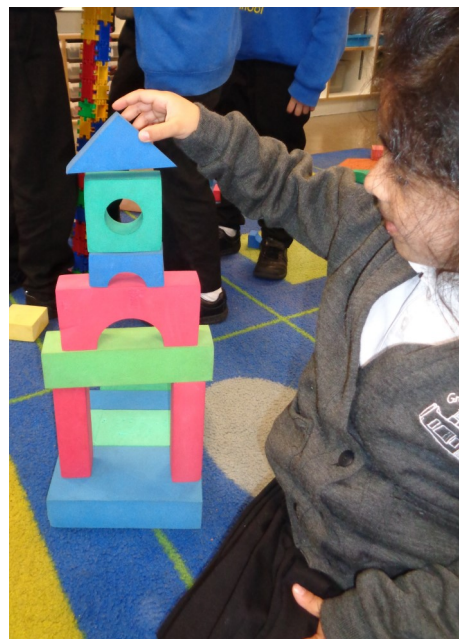
Moon

This week in Moon Class we have been focusing on our handwriting using different textures and writing tools to practise our letter formation.



Venus

This week during our transition play we did some construction. It was great learning about different shapes and seeing how high we can make our towers. It was also interesting to see which shapes balanced to create the biggest towers.



Love

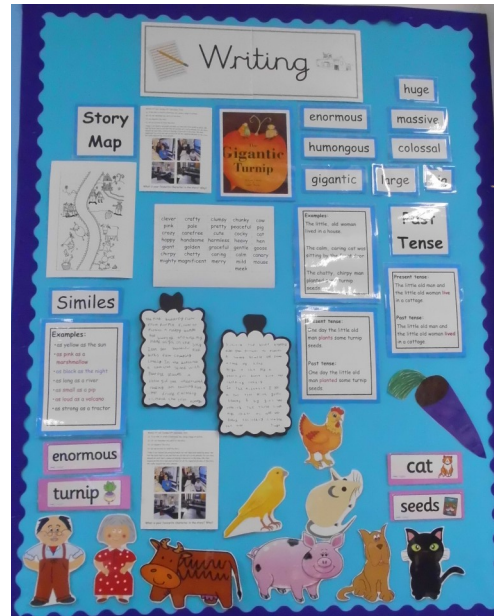
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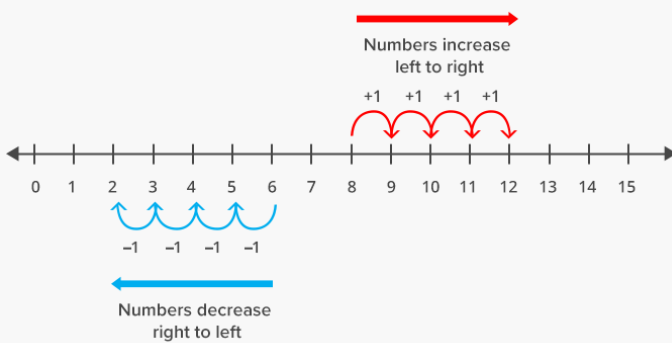
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Planet Earth

This week Planet Earth have planned and began writing their own version of the story called 'The Enormous Carrot'. They have been adding and subtracting numbers to 20 and drawn and labelled the parts of a plant and tree.



Whole Numbers on Number Line



Saturn

This week Saturn Class have been learning how to use number lines to solve addition and subtraction calculations. Please encourage your child to show you what they have been doing so they can continue practising at home!

Galaxy

This week in Galaxy Class we have worked hard publishing our poems based on the book, 'Here We Are'. After thinking of our favourite places, we created rhyming poems entitled 'My Special Place' which we then published in our best handwriting. We're really proud of how they turned out!



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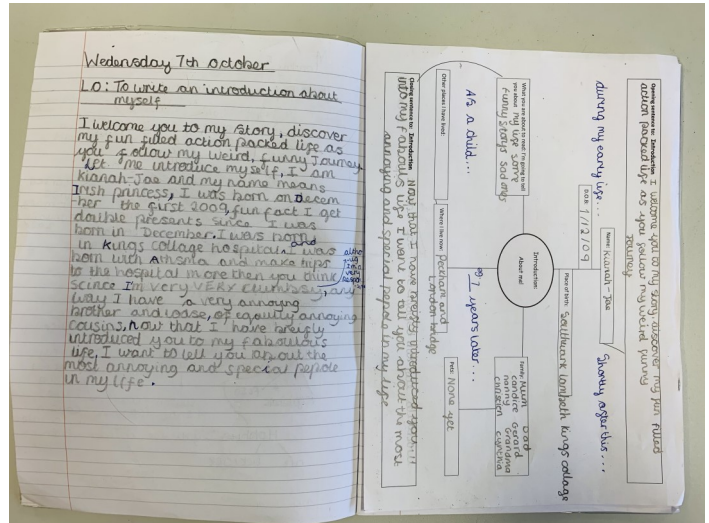
Pluto

This week in Pluto Class we continued our learning about Vikings. The pupils did some wonderful exploration and discovery about Viking lives and compared their way of life to our life in modern Britain. They were fascinated by the similarities they found!



Sky

This week in Sky Class, we have started writing autobiographies. Today we focused on our introduction by 'setting the scene' for our readers. We have used a range of sentence starters, conjunctions, used past tense, and written in 1st person.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

School Year 2020-21 %

Attendance	Whole School	%
Key Stage 1 Winner	Planet Earth	95%
Key Stage 2 Winner	Supernova	96%

Year 6 secondary applications for September 2021



Applications are now open online for Year 6 parents to apply for a secondary school place for 2021. The Council are not issuing paper applications – all applications are to be made online – see the link. You must apply online www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions from 1 September 2020 and submit your application before the **closing date of 31st October 2020.**

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