



# Grange Primary School Weekly Bulletin Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021



## Quote for the week:

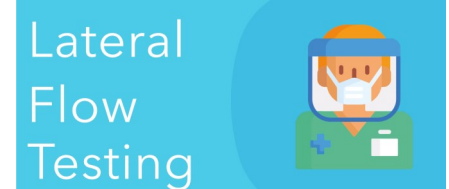
*'Tough times never last, but tough people do.'* - Robert H. Schuller

Dear Grange families,

We hope you and your families are safe and well. As we reach the end of the fourth week of Spring Term 1, it is safe to say that we have achieved a great deal together in a short space of time. Our staff have been absolutely fantastic, not only in finding a new way to deliver learning remotely, but mastering it and finding lots of new and interesting ways to engage with our children at home. All our staff go the extra mile for our children and families, now more so than ever, and it is clear that we are managing to communicate with, support and care for our community when you need us most. This is one of the things I am most proud of as interim Headteacher. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents, carers and family members for everything you are doing to support your children at home. We know that remote learning can be very challenging, and there are a variety of barriers that may get in your way. The quality of work that is being uploaded on to MS Teams is impressive, and it is clear that you are all becoming even more confident day by day. We have been pleased to hear from some of you that you and your children are enjoying the live sessions each day, as it helps you all to feel more connected to our school. We value your feedback, so do get in touch.

### Mass Lateral Flow testing in Primary schools

You may have heard about mass lateral flow testing starting in primary schools. This is for staff only. Adults who consent to do so will be provided with lateral flow test kits. They will be issued sufficient to complete 2 tests each week. The purpose of these tests is early detection of asymptomatic cases amongst staff in order to help break the chain of transmission. The lateral flow tests are quick and easy to administer and detect 80% of positive cases. Currently it is estimated that 1 in 3 people who are COVID positive do not have any symptoms.



### Additional Devices

We have applied to the DfE, Southwark and are also trying to raise additional funds through charities to purchase laptops for those families who may still not have a device, or, who have only 1 device shared between children. We are pleased to hear that some families have received the additional mobile allowance following completion of our internet survey. Southwark Council have also started a crowd funder appeal. Money raised through the appeal will be used to buy laptops for Southwark schools, for the benefit of young people who need them in order to access online learning. Any donations made to the campaign will be match-funded by the council. Please help us to get the word out so our school and others can benefit



[Laptops for Learning Southwark - a Schools crowdfunding project in London by London South TSA \(crowdfunder.co.uk\)](https://www.laptopsforlearning.org.uk/)

The appeal is also accepting second-hand devices from businesses. If you know any business owners that may be able to help, please share the link.

With every good wish for your continued health and safety!

*The Grange Team*

# Remote Learning



Max—Y2 home learning doing a Science Experiment



Ava-Simone—YR home learning



Year 2 Bubble enjoying their LPESSN PE session!



First name	Class	New Age
Marissa	Sun	4
Konika	Galaxy	9
Nabila	Mercury	6
Rico	Galaxy	9
Olivia	Supernova	9
Samina	Neptune	10
Namari	Mars	7
Muhammed	Moon	5
Isata	Mars	7

## Dates for your Diary:

Day and Time:	Event:
Half Term	Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> to Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	First day of Spring Term2 2021
22 <sup>nd</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Meetings
Easter Holiday	Thursday, 01 <sup>st</sup> to Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2020