



Grange Primary School Newsletter

17th September 2021

Autumn Term 1



Reminder: Junk modelling items for Year 1. We would be grateful if you have things, such as egg crates, milk bottles, etc, which you could bring in for us to use. **Please drop it off to Year 1 classes.** Thank you..



Core Value Of The Week: **RESPECT**



Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week we have begun to look closely at our school behaviour system and policy.

On Monday we will be sending you the first draft of the policy, so you can see what we will be following at school and the expectations we have for your children when they are in our care. Please read the policy carefully so you know what will be expected of your children while at school.

Hopefully you will be in agreement with the systems, but if you have any comments or concerns please email me at headteacher@grange.southwark.sch.uk and I will endeavour to respond within two working days.

We will be introducing the systems and policy with the children on Monday, 20th September 2021 and trialling it during the week. This might mean that some of your children receive detentions and have to miss their play; please support our decisions. If we feel behaviour needs to be discussed, we will be in touch and will arrange a meeting with you. The system in place is there to keep **all** children safe and to ensure lessons run smoothly, meaning teachers are able to teach without disruption, thus enabling all children in the class to make good progress.

We thank you in advance for your continued support, working together is key. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Rebecca

Rebecca Benjamins
Headteacher





Our News

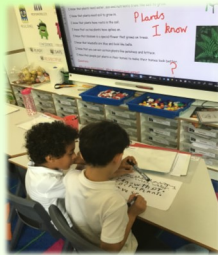


YEAR 2 Planet Earth & Mars



This week, Year 2 have been learning how to partition 2 digit numbers in different ways in Maths. Described the characters in the Enormous Turnip story, using alliteration and similes.

Compared different types of seeds in Science, labelled the continents and oceans on a world map, and described how Hindus worship in RE.



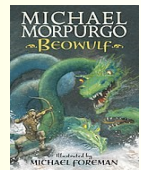
YEAR 5 Neptune & Pluto



Vikings!

We have begun our topic with one of the most famous stories from **Norse Mythology** – Beowulf! We have begun to write **excellent descriptions** of the mead-hall built before the 'hellish heathen' (thanks Adnan!) Grendel begins his reign of tyranny.

We are reading **Michael Morpurgo's Beowulf** in Guided Reading, and starting to realise that alliteration is effective in storytelling – it pleases the ear, *and* that there is plenty of language to steal and use in our own work.



We have begun to look at **the influence of Anglo Saxon settlers and Viking invaders** on the **history of Britain** – heptarchy to monarchy – seven kingdoms to one united kingdom. We are discovering **Viking patterns in art** and learning about the names of the styles that existed throughout history.

In Maths we have been looking at **place value of six digit numbers** and recognising near multiples of these numbers with increasing accuracy and speed. Which multiples of 100,000 or 1000 does 305,305 sit in between.

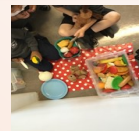


Nursery Sun



In the Nursery this week we carry on welcoming new children. All children are settling in very well. They are learning new routines quickly, and are getting to know one another, as well as their new environment while learning and having fun.

This week we started our topic: '**Ourselves**'. Children are making a likeness of themselves and learning about body parts. All children, also are learning to count to 10 and 'days of the week'.



Year 1 Mercury & Venus



This week Year 1 have continued to work hard in all areas of the curriculum. Our story this term is '**Whatever next**'. Children have immersed themselves into the story through reading and drama. In our Maths lessons, Year 1 has been practicing number formation and counting to 20 and beyond.





Our News



WE NEED YOU!!

Can you spare a few hours a week to become a reading helper at our school?

Our school (Grange Primary) is working with a Charity called Coram Beanstalk, to recruit and train volunteer reading helpers who can spare an afternoon or two a week to come in to school. As a reading helper you would hold reading sessions with some of our children on a one-to-one basis, giving those that need it extra support to practise reading skills outside of the classroom.

For more information or if you want to apply online, visit the website at www.corambeanstalk.org.uk and complete an application form.

Please make sure you indicate Grange Primary School SE1 in the section "School I have a connection with" to make sure you are placed at Grange.



Attendance



Week Commencing
6th September 2021

School Year Autumn Term 2021	Class Winner	%
Attendance	Whole	94.4%
KS1 Winner	Venus	97.5%
KS2 Winner	Galaxy	97.9%
Planet Earth		91.3%
Mars		93.1%
Mercury		94.4%
Jupiter		96.7%
Saturn		91.9%
Supernova		92.9%
Neptune		94.4%
Pluto		92.2%
Aurora		91.4%
Sky		96.9%



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

Our school photographer will be visiting on Monday, 27th September to take individual photographs of our pupils. Please ensure your child is in full uniform (as usual); and be ready with a smile!





School Info/Events



We are currently in the process of organising our Afterschool Clubs for this term. We have introduced several new clubs, so please look closely at the timetable below to see what may interest you or your child/children.

We will be sending out specific letters explaining the clubs, and their purpose to the year groups to which they apply. Be sure to read the letters carefully and return the signed slip.

As per with all of our clubs we must have a first come first serve policy.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3 and 4 Chess Peter Mant & Year 3 Room Ms Hall	Year 5 and 6 Health and Well-being Club AM Hall Janelia - Evolve	Year 6 Health and Wellbeing Club AM Hall Janelia – Evolve	Years 3 to 6 African Drumming AM Hall Sandra	Year 2 and 3 Health and Wellbeing Club AM Hall Janelia – Evolve
Year 5 and 6 Football Team Muga/Top Hall Coach Charles & Aslam	Year 2 and 3 Sports Club Muga/Top Hall Coach Charles	Year 4 and 5 Sports Club Muga/Top Hall Coach Charles	Year 3 and 4 Netball Muga Heather & Aslam	Year 5 and 6 Netball Muga Heather & Aslam



Home Learning

We have not received our order of home school journals, so please bear with us with regards to homework.

Hopefully, you will receive these next week. Until they appear please continue to read with your children each day for at least 10minutes, using the reading books we have provided, as well as completing the mathetics tasks set.



First name	Class	New Age
Ameera	Sky	11
Malak	Saturn	8
Nasharne	Aurora	11
Jhulian	Mars	7
Tytelia	Jupiter	8
Samantha	Sky	11
Oscar	Sky	11



Parent/Carer Information



Attendance

At Grange we recognise the importance of regular and punctual attendance. The partnership between home and school is a vital part of your child's success, and we encourage you to take an active role in their learning by ensuring your child attends school regularly, and has excellent punctuality.

On every day of your child's absence, please ensure you liaise with the school before **9.05am**, by leaving a message with:-

- (1) Your child's name and class
- (2) That your child is ill with (e.g. vomiting). You can leave a message for us: via the ParentMail service by calling the office on 020 7771 6121 (leaving a voice message) or emailing the school on: office@grange.southwark.sch.uk
- (3) If your child is absent for more than 3 school days, you will need to provide evidence of absence, such as a GP appointment card, text or email, or a letter showing your child was seen at the hospital.

If we do not have a reason for absence for your child, you will receive a call from the school office at the first instance followed by a text. If necessary, we will undertake a home visit to ascertain the reason of absence.

Punctuality



Punctuality: during our staggered entry times, we will be closing the gate at 9.05am (when our last year group enters the building). Any child arriving after this time; will need to enter through the school office, register a late mark and give a reason for the lateness. At the end of the day; a child will be registered late after school from 3.30pm. You will be called to be informed that your child will be looked after at the After School Provision, and a charge of up to £11.00 will be incurred for the day. If you have different collection arrangements at the end of the day, you must call the school office no later than 2.00pm, to inform us of this change. We cannot guarantee a message can be relayed in time, when we receive messages late in the day. If absences or/and lateness persists, you will be invited to attend a punctuality meeting with the Headteacher. Should you have any questions, or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Thank you in advance for your co-operation and continued support.



Medical Appointments

Medical appointments should be booked outside of school hours, and ideally during half term breaks.

If you need to request time off school for a medical appointment, please complete a request form via the school office.



Authorised Absence Request

Any other request for an absence from school, will need to be completed and authorised by/at the Headteacher's discretion. Requests outside of term time will usually be based on pupil attendance, punctuality and personal circumstance.



Rewards!!



Writer of the Week

Mercury

Jannat for trying really hard with her phonics, and applying it in her writing.

Mars

Toddric for working hard to use alliteration in his sentences.

Planet Earth

Alina for showing persistence and resilience when writing.

Galaxy

Justina for challenging herself to use creative language in her writing.

Saturn

Malak for trying very hard during her writing lessons.

Supernova

Ghilass for displaying good progress in joining up.

Neptune

Jayden for a high level of effort with his work, trying to put alliteration into writing

Aurora

Leo for an amazing autobiographical poem.

Jupiter

Huda for doing some beautiful writing, about whether or not Princess Smartypants should get married.

Venus

George- Working very hard to form his letters correctly in our handwriting sessions



Mathematician of the Week



Mercury

Ali for being super engaged during our Maths lessons, and trying so hard.

Mars

Yusra for showing her knowledge of tens and ones, and recognising the place value of each number.

Planet Earth

Samson for explaining to other children how to partition 2 digit numbers.

Galaxy

Nelly for listening carefully in lessons and trying her best.

Saturn

Riley for never giving up even when he didn't understand straightaway.

Supernova

Isabella for working really hard independently in this week's Math's lessons.

Neptune

Trianna for an excellent effort at presenting Math's work clearly, and practising as much as possible.

Aurora

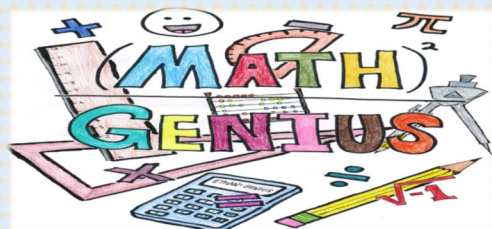
Williams for trying hard and learning new concepts in Maths

Jupiter

Kayden for doing some fantastic work in Maths involving adding using a numberline. Well done!

Venus

Scarlett for being able to recognize and count numbers confidently to 20





CHAMPION CERTIFICATES



Core Value - RESPECT Years 1 to 2

Class	Name	Reason for Award
Planet Earth	Madeline	Being a role model for behaviour and respectful to others.
Planet Earth	Soraya	Being a good listener in class, and respectful to adults, and other children
Mars	Kogmotso	Has been showing respect this week by listening to everybody and following instructions.
Mars	Aliyah	Has been showing respect for school equipment by making sure our learning environment is always clean and tidy
Mercury	Joseph	Always being kind and respectful towards his peers
Mercury	Ava-Simone	Showing a lot of respect for the adults and children in class by always listening to adult instructions
Venus	Ben	For being respectful to his peers and adults in the classroom.
Venus	Sophia	For having a positive start to the Autumn term.



CHAMPION CERTIFICATES



Core Value - RESPECT Years 3 to 6

Class	Name	Reason for Award
Saturn	Ramla	For respecting others opinions even if it is not her own.
Saturn	Williams	For being a respectful reading partner during guided reading lessons.
Supernova	Zainab	For always showing excellent manners to all.
Supernova	Quinten	For showing great listening skills in class.
Galaxy	Toye	For speaking respectfully to both adults and children.
Galaxy	Alfie	For listening carefully to others.
Neptune	Blessing	For putting her best effort into following expectations - a high level of self-respect.
Neptune	Riley	For a highly respectful attitude to others - children and adults.
Pluto	Reyah	For showing the value of respect by helping and supporting her classmates.
Pluto	Kwame	For showing the value of respect by always listening to and following instructions.
Aurora	Daniella	For showing the value of respect by listening, and following instructions given by all adults the first time.
Aurora	Bogdan0	For always being respectful to everyone, both children and adults.
Sky	Kayla	Has shown the value of respect this week by continuing to be listen and follow instructions given by all adults.
Sky	Kaylen	Continues to always show the value of respect by being supportive and caring to all.



Parent/Carer Information and Support



School Governor Vacancy:

We currently have two vacancies on our Governing body for two parent governors. If you are interested in this position, please email using the address above expressing your interest. We will then be in touch regarding the process and the next steps. School governance allows you to develop your skills, both personally and professionally, as a parent governor you would be able to add the following skills and experience to your CV:

- Strategic planning
- Experience on a board
- Holding senior leaders to account
- Finance, and maintaining oversight of potentially multi-million pound budgets
- Human resources and performance management
- Project management
- Marketing
- Communication and teamwork
- Decision making



In addition, you will get to see things from the school's perspective and see how the school is managed. You will gain an in-depth understanding of how decisions are made and the pressures on school leaders, while playing an integral part in deciding what happens. We encourage applications from all members of society, regardless of background, gender, ethnicity, disability or age (as long as you're over 18).

National Teaching Assistants' Day

On Thursday 16th September, we celebrated all the wonderful work our Teaching Assistants do. They were treated to some cakes and the children, and adults made a real fuss of them. Thank you to all teaching assistants at Grange for all you do!



Birthdays

When it is your child's birthday, we kindly ask that party bags, sweets, cakes etc. are given out by you (the parent/ carer) to the parents/ carers of the children in your child's class at the school gate at the end of the day.

This is due to allergies and parental consent. We understand how important birthdays are, and we will celebrate in class with the children ensuring we sing happy birthday and mark the occasion.



Parent/Carer Information and Support



Support for Parents

From time to time we all need help. If you find yourself in a situation where you need help, please book a meeting to see how we can support you and your family. Here are some useful links to support you.

SEND SATURDAY SPORTS CLUB

“The Saturday club has been a lifeline for my son. He has many friends and looks forward to going. He also uses the trampoline as a release of tension. We would love for this valuable service to continue.”

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Parent/Carer Information and Support



“The Network and Saturday Sports Club at Bacon's College has offered myself and family much-needed respite. Glyn, George and the team are very understanding and aware of my son's SEN needs: autism and ADHD.”

The Saturday sports club runs through the year at Bacon's College. The club caters for SEND students of all disabilities between the ages of 5-18 years old. Each session lasts for 60 minutes.

All staff and parents/carers must download the **TRACK AND TRACE NHS** app onto their smartphone to scan our QR code. If you do not have the app then you will be refused entry onto site.

Unfortunately, due to our current covid policy parents will no longer have access to the parent and carer room for tea and coffee, parents and carers must stay on site during the session. We will have some chairs available outside of the sports hall, this will include during winter months. Those chairs will be regularly sanitised before the new time slot. Parents and Carers will be asked to use the banjo court during the session, you will be unable to use any facilities at Bacon's College during the stay.

There is a highly skilled and motivated team of 14 working at the club ranging from teachers, teaching assistants, coaches, and special needs specialists.

As well as improving fitness levels and health and wellbeing the club works on social skills such as listening skills, waiting, sharing, teamwork, individual work and focus.

Sports and activities change weekly - trampolining, nature trail and the gym for the older clients; volleyball, football, basketball, multi skills, tennis, cricket, badminton, boccia, new age curling, dance, parachute games, athletics, capoeira, etc.

The club currently run in 4 different sessions to allow the club to meet the regulation 15 students per bubble. The new times are as follows:

Session 1: 10:30 - 11:30

Session 2: 11:30 - 12:30

Session 3: 12:30 - 13:30

Session 4: 14:00 - 15:00

Venue: Bacon's College, Timber Pond Road, Rotherhithe, London SE16 6AT

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

Please contact either Glyn Davies or George Richards via emails below.

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You can also contact the network on **0207 237 1928 Ext: 4086**. Follow us across social media and our website to keep up to date with all the latest network news.



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