

Grange Primary School

Newsletter

12th November 2021



Autumn Term 2

Core Value Of The Week: Co-Operation

SCHOOL WORD OF THE WEEK:- **Forage!**

Definition - If someone forages for something, they search for it in a busy way.

Dear Parents, Carers,

We have had a great week this week, children have learnt about Remembrance Day and have created a variety of poppies which will be displayed in our Albert McKenzie Hall very soon!

Classroom learning environments have been audited this week by the Senior Leadership Team, to make sure children's work is celebrated and displayed as well as checking that resources for learning are readily available. We were pleased with the organisation of the classrooms and the lovely displays in our middle hall.

We have also looked at topic books to see what learning is taking place for History and Geography. Next week, the Director of Education, Nina Dohel, will be visiting the school to see what everyone is up to, and meet the children. Please can you hear your child read and write a comment in their reading record.

Our House names have been chosen, and your children have been allocated a house. Our House names have been named after famous Astronauts, which links to the space theme that runs through our school. The House names are: **Wilson, Sharman, Armstrong, Harris and Peake**. This week the children's Dojo points will be added to their House. The winning House will be announced on the Newsletter and to the children in assembly each week. At the end of term, the weekly points will be added together, and the winning house for the term will be taken bowling as a reward for their efforts. This will mean that children's Dojo points, not only award them personally, but also collaboratively.

Well done to the School Football Team who won their match this week against Redriff Primary School. We were really proud of your attitude, impressive skills, and behaviour during the match. Keep up the great work and bring us back a trophy!

Rebecca

Rebecca Benjamins
Headteacher



"In Flanders Fields"
by Col. John McCrae,

In Flanders Fields The poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the dead, short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved and now we lie
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch, be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us, who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.



Love

Hope

Co-Operation

Headteacher News

Attendance is really improving, please keep up the great work. Remember to book appointments during holidays and after school where possible. As parents, you also have the responsibility to ensure your children are on time for school. We have noticed lately that punctuality is slipping, and many children are arriving late. I have sent letters out to individual families regarding punctuality where I am concerned. If lateness continues, I will invite you to meet with me to discuss any issues you may be having. If your child misses the first five minutes of the day they are missing out on 25 minutes of learning time a week and will miss the beginning of key spelling, handwriting, phonics and reading lessons.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week. We will be wearing odd socks on Monday, 15th November 2021 in support of this important week. Please join us by letting your child wear odd socks to school. Teachers will be teaching lessons on difference and kindness. The theme this year is **'To use one kind word!'** Please speak to your children at home about being kind to one another. **Please go to our School Website and click the links and video clip**, and also look at the website to see how you can do some more work.

Reception Open Day Tours

If you have a child in our nursery or who is due to start school in September 2022, don't forget to book onto our Reception Open Day tours.

Please see dates for this half term.

Thursday 25th November 9.15am

Friday 3rd December 9.15am

<https://grange.southwark.sch.uk/>

Bake Sale

Well done and thank you to our newly formed PTA, and to you for your contributions towards our bake sale. Thanks to the PTA for their hard work in organising the event and for selling so many cakes! The money raised will go towards organising a Winter Fair. If you would like to help the PTA, please contact the school office and we will put you in touch with the current members.

Word of the Week

Thank you to those families that discussed our word of the week last week. Many children received Dojo points for using the word **silhouette** in their writing or conversations last week. Our word of the week this week is **forage**.

Please discuss this word with your children, and perhaps go on a walk where you could forage something to bring into school to share!

Have a great weekend, stay safe.

Rebecca



Respect

Responsibility

Confidence



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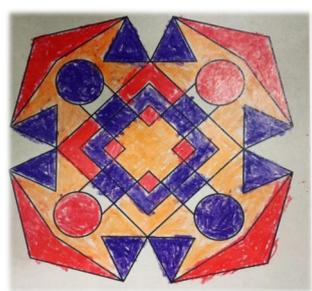
Year 1

Mercury & Venus



Year 1s have learnt about Diwali, and why Hindu's celebrate it.

They created rangoli patterns as part of their learning, which they thoroughly enjoyed doing!



Year 5

Neptune & Pluto



This week we begin our Autumn 2 topic - **IDENTITY and ACCEPTANCE.**

We have begun to read 'The Island' by Armin Greder in English lessons. An important picture book looking at the way in which refugees are viewed and treated.

We are considering the differences in hospitality and hostility towards new arrivals, and are making links to the UK today.

We continue to read about Floella Benjamin's life and her own arrival to the UK. The links between our fiction and reality are becoming clearer, and we are taking our opportunity to form our own opinions on what we would like or school and community to be like.

Year 6

Sky & Aurora



In Sky Class this week, we have started our new Science topic 'Light'.

We had a discussion around what light there is in the world, and the impact it would have on our lives without it. We then used torches and created holes in cards to see if light travelled in a straight line!



In Maths, we are working to secure knowledge of important vocabulary such as multiples, factors, prime numbers, composite numbers, square numbers and cube numbers - ask your Y5 child about them - can they define or give you an example of each? Following closely on the heels of this - we are reviewing x10 and x100 as useful tools in the development of multiplication and division skills.

In Geography we have begun to learn about the Caribbean - looking at where in the world it is and some of its physical features - such as different landforms.

We look forward to sharing our work on Instagram ,and welcome any stories about your own arrivals - should you wish to share them.

The Year 5 team



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Nursery (Sun)

We welcomed two new children in our Nursery. Both girls are settling in very well.

This week children in the Nursery have been learning about the 5 Senses: Sight, Hearing, Smell, Touch and Taste.



They went on a 'Seeing Walk', listened to animal and environmental sounds, trying to guess what the sounds were. Children also made shakers, learned about a variety of flavours and tried to guess the smell.

REMEMBRANCE DAY Thursday 11th November

Each class made poppies to mark Remembrance Day, and observed a minute's silence.



NURSERY Sun Class



Planet Earth

Neptune Class

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Framed

Author: Frank Cottrell-Boyce

Publisher: Pan Macmillan

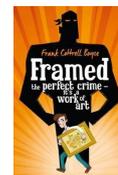
Interest age: 9+ years

Reading age: 9 – 11 years

Dylan Hughes, the boy left in a small Welsh mountain town called Manod, where there is little work and a shrinking community. His parents run a garage and Dylan's logbook of customers captures his small-scale horizons.

Then one day, a convoy of vans arrives at the disused mine, taking into storage the entire collection from the National Gallery of Art. Dylan's interests are football, cars and Ninja turtles - but, through these, the worlds of high and low culture collide and this changes everything.

This is our home-time reader, but we'd encourage readers to look at others in F C-B's catalogue – Millions and Cosmic are great stories too!



Title: Black and British: A Short, Essential History

Author: David Olusoga

Publisher: Macmillan

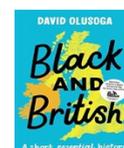
Interest age: 9 – 14 years

Reading age: 9+ years

Olusoga concisely explains the much-overlooked history of Black people in Britain and beyond; from the multi-culturally diverse society of Roman times, and the first Africans in Britain to the link between the Industrial Revolution and the American Civil War, as well as more modern history such as the Second World War and the Windrush scandal.

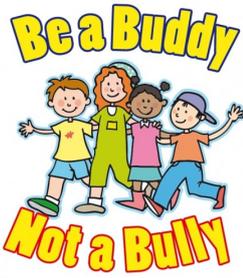
Maps, bite-sized facts, photos and paintings illustrate each rich and varied period of history, and we're introduced to incredible figures such as Olaudah Equiano and Ottobah Cugoana, who formed the Sons of Africa and were early Black abolitionists; Henry 'Box' Brown, an African-American speaker who in the mid-1800s mailed himself in a box to Philadelphia, where slavery was illegal; and Sam King MBE, who came to Britain on the Windrush, and later became the first Black Mayor of the London borough of Southwark.

We will look at some of this book in guided reading later in the term.





News



Wear your Odd Socks

Monday 15th November 2021

This **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK**
we are holding



Odd Socks Day



on
**MONDAY 15TH
NOVEMBER
2021**

Come to school wearing
your odd socks to
celebrate what makes
us all unique!

If you're worried about bullying you can speak to ...

**#OddSocksDay
#AntiBullyingWeek
#OneKindWord**



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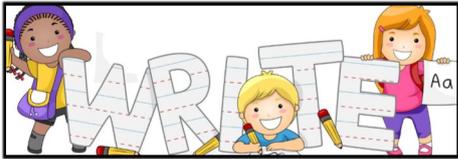
House Winner of the Week



HOUSE	POINTS
WINNER Tim Peake (TP)	1207
Helen Sharman (HS)	1167
Neil Armstrong (NA)	1052
Bernard Harris (BH)	1081
Stephanie Wilson (SW)	801



REWARDS



Writer of the Week

Mercury: Ava-Simone for using her sounds to write words.

Venus: Liam for working hard in our phonics session.

Mars: Aurora for producing a lovely letter to the Natural History museum.

Planet Earth: Mariam for trying hard to use different sentence types and verbs in writing.

Galaxy: Solihom for thinking carefully about word choice, and trying her best.

Saturn: Saima, always wanting help his classmates.

Jupiter: Oriana for excellent handwriting.

Supernova : Nabil for working well independently in English this week.

Neptune: Olivia, You have used creativity in your English work and pay close attention to the success criteria - a simple, but vital approach to working - well done you!

Pluto: Reyah for your lovely ideas about being kind and welcoming to a newcomer.

Aurora: Nasharne for trying hard with his story writing this week. Keep it up!

Sky: Taylor, he has earned his pen license.



Mathematician of the Week

Mercury: Azion for doing independent Maths work, when finished working with the teachers!

Venus: Sheku for great work in our Math's lesson.

Mars: Elliott for working hard on creating different representations of numbers.

Planet Earth: Saihaan for trying hard to complete place value work.

Galaxy: Erion for explaining his ideas to others , and developing his reasoning skills.

Saturn: Sobhi for working independently in Maths.

Jupiter: Elias for excellent place value work with 3-digit numbers.

Supernova: Erion for explaining his ideas to others, and developing his reasoning skills.

Neptune: Yasmin, you have responded well to support after being courageous in your Maths work and trying your best - keep at it!

Pluto: Fatima for your hard work on square and cube numbers.

Aurora: Racha for staying focused, and trying her very best with her Maths tests this week. Well done!

Sky: Kaylen for working hard on his problem solving.



Champions

Core Value Co-Operation Years 1 to 2

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Alina	For helping another child complete their Maths work.
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Aryan	For co-operating and helping others in Maths.
<i>Mars</i>	Linda	For always working well with her talk partner and table group.
<i>Mars</i>	Slwnaos	For working so hard with his talk partner, and encouraging them to extend their answers.
<i>Mercury</i>	Latifa	Always helping in tidy up time!
<i>Mercury</i>	Charlotte-Rose	Always working well with the other children and supporting them!
<i>Venus</i>	An	For showing exceptional behavior in class this week
<i>Venus</i>	Imran	For always trying his best



Champions

Core Value - Co-Operation Years 3 to 6

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Jupiter</i>	Zion	For being thoughtful and helpful to others.
<i>Jupiter</i>	Max	For working well with her partner.
<i>Saturn</i>	William	For being thoughtful and helpful to others.
<i>Saturn</i>	Ramatullai	For always working well with her peers.
<i>Supernova</i>	Ghilass	For showing an excellent example of working hard, and helping others this week.
<i>Supernova</i>	Harry	For always respecting working well with others in class.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Munachi	For showing brilliant co-operation in class, helping both adults and other children.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Ahsen	For working co-operatively on her table by listening to others' opinions.
<i>Neptune</i>	Mubaraq	You have shown true care to one of your peers in the last week - to support them and help them feel better when they were down. A proud moment!
<i>Neptune</i>	Al-Ameen	You continue to ask to help out in class to furnish your peers with the equipment they need and help get them ready to learn.
<i>Pluto</i>	Katherine	For showing the value of co-operation by working well with your partner, and your table to complete your work.
<i>Pluto</i>	Joel	For showing the value of co-operation by helping others.
<i>Aurora</i>	Amina	For showing great co-operation in helping to keep the classroom equipment neat and tidy.
<i>Aurora</i>	Brooke	In showing brilliant co-operation in working with another student of Aurora Class.
<i>Sky</i>	Amina	For always working well with her peers.
<i>Sky</i>	Fiona	For always being helpful and supportive to her peers.



School Info & Events



First name	Class	New Age
Issam	Star	5
Madeline	Planet Earth	7
Zainab	Supernova	9
Leo	Aurora	11
Toddreic	Mars	7
Stanislav	Aurora	11
Osman	Planet Earth	7



Attendance Class Winners of the Week

Week Commencing
Tuesday 2nd November 2021

School Year Autumn Term 2 2021	Class	%
Attendance	Whole School	96%
KS1 Winner	Venus	99%
KS2 Winner	Saturn	99%
Punctuality Winner	Mercury	100%
Punctuality Winner	Supernova	99%
Mars		96%
Punctuality		99%
Jupiter		98%
Punctuality		93%
Mercury		91%
Planet Earth		95%
Punctuality		96%
Saturn Punctuality		96%
Supernova	%	95%
Galaxy		98%
Punctuality		98%
Neptune		95%
Punctuality		98%
Pluto		98%
Punctuality		93%
Aurora		87%
Punctuality		95%
Sky		98%
Punctuality		96%



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 15/11** - Odd Socks Day
- Mon 15/11 to Fri 19/11** - Anti-Bullying Week
- Wednesday 17/11** - Year 6 (Aurora) Outing - The Clink Prison Museum
- Friday 19/11** - Year 6 (Sky) Outing The Clink Prison Museum
- Friday 19/11** - Birthday of Guru Nanak (Sikh Celebration)



A Southwark resource to help families who are struggling financially

We are pleased to announce the publication of a Southwark resource to help families who are struggling financially

**Worrying
about
money?**

**Support is available
in Southwark**

Launch event online on **November 17th**:
10.30-11.30am.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cash-first-leaflet-for-southwark-online-launch-event-tickets-200805593937>

We are pleased to announce the arrival of a free leaflet to help Southwark residents who may be struggling with money.

The **“Worrying About Money?”** leaflet is a simple and straightforward resource for people facing

financial crisis, as well as the staff and volunteers who may be supporting them. It offers a quick way to see what advice is available, and which local agencies are best placed to help. It has been co-produced by local partners and the Independent Food Aid Network.

The aim of these referral leaflets is to provide a “cash first” response to food insecurity - reducing the need for foodbanks by helping families access any existing financial entitlements and advice on income maximisation.

This launch will be particularly relevant for frontline staff, such as teachers, who would like to know more about what help and advice is available locally for families facing financial crisis. [The leaflet is available to view and download online](#) and an app will be coming shortly.



Parent/Carer Info & Support



Keeping in Touch



We are on Twitter and Instagram!

Please follow us and take a look at some of the great work and activities the children have completed each week!

Instagram: grangeprimaryschoolse1

Twitter: @growwithgrange

Both sites can be accessed via our school website

<https://grange.southwark.sch.uk/>

REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

To keep ourselves, families, and the community safe:



Get vaccinated if you are eligible



Keep social distancing and avoid crowded areas if possible



Wear a face covering (unless exempt) in crowded places and on public transport



Wash your hands regularly or use sanitiser



If you have symptoms, stay at home and book a test at: nhs.uk/coronavirus



Meet outside, or ventilate rooms for indoor visitors



Check in at venues for test and trace

Check the latest COVID-19 information: gov.uk/coronavirus
Visit southwark.gov.uk/coronavirus or sign up to our digital newsletter at southwark.gov.uk/followus

[@b_southwark](https://twitter.com/southwark) facebook.com/southwarkcouncil [@southwarkcouncil](https://southwarkcouncil)

OPEN MORNINGS – Primary Intake 2022



Our Reception Open Mornings are led by the **Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher and the Early Development Lead.**



They include an informative session, followed by a tour of the school, and last approximately an hour.

Open Sessions

Thursday, 25th November, 9:15am
Refreshments, start at 9:30am

Friday, 3rd December, 9:15
Refreshments, start at 9:30am

Book through the school office on: office@grange.southwark.sch.uk
Tel: 02077716121

We look forward to meeting you soon!

If you are unable to attend any of the dates, do not hesitate to call the school office