

Grange Primary School

Newsletter

5th November 2021



Autumn Term 2

Core Value Of The Week: Responsibility

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful half term and are ready for the term ahead.

Our week started on Monday with an INSET day and our teachers had some training regarding the teaching of English and Maths. We also had some training regarding vocabulary.

To support the children’s vocabulary development, teachers will be teaching new vocabulary daily during their early morning work as well as explicitly during each lesson. In order for you to participate in our word rich approach we would like you to teach a word to children each week at home. A special word of the week will be added to the newsletter each week, your task will be to speak to your child about this word, explain its meaning and help them to use it in a sentence. If your child completes any further research at home please encourage them to bring this to school so they can earn additional Dojo points. Any child who manages to use the word during the week either in conversation or in their writing will be awarded a Dojo point.

TODAY
is the day to
learn something
NEW

Our word this week is **silhouette**



Shinobi Word of the week

Word of the Day: **silhouette**
(sil-hou-ette)

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

A silhouette is the solid dark shape that you see when someone or something has a bright light or pale background behind them.



We used lights and paper to create silhouettes.

Phrases:

menacing silhouette

a spooky silhouette

Synonym:

outline
shape

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix

-ed

Rhyme:

Link Word:

painting
shadow

Love

Hope

Co-Operation

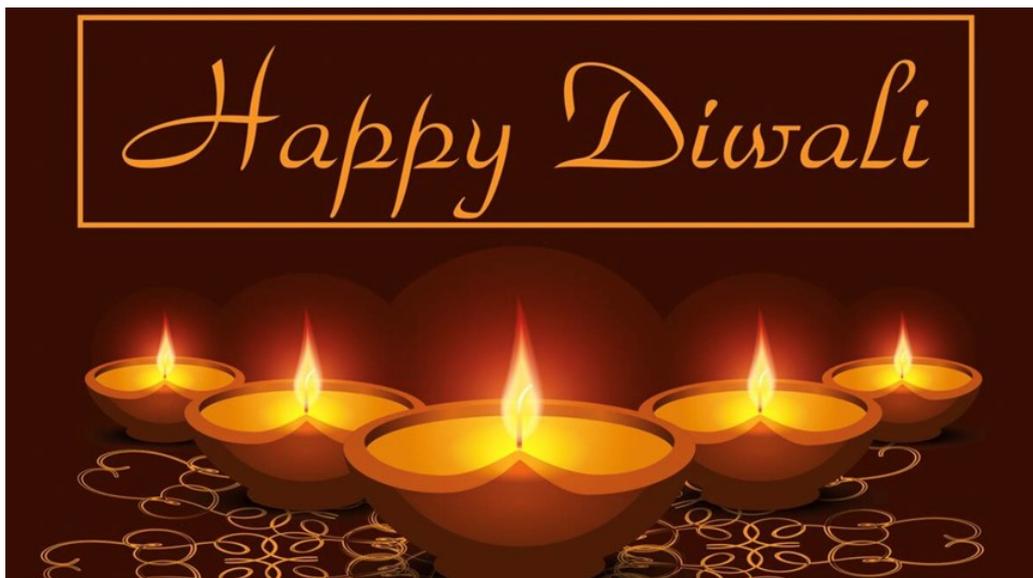
Headteacher News

House Names:

Our house names have been chosen and on Monday your child will be told which house they belong to. The children will be taught about each astronaut, so they learn about them. From Monday children's Dojo points will be added to the house each week and the winning house will be taken bowling as a reward for their efforts at the end of this term. Each week the house winners will be published on our newsletter. The term winner will be announced in December and the lucky house winners will receive a letter regarding information about the trip.

Diwali:

This week the children have been learning about Diwali. Diwali is a festival celebrated in the Hindu and Sikh religion. Children have learnt that Diwali means "row od lighted lamps" and is often called the festival of light. Children have completed activities and learnt about the religious festival. Please look on our Twitter and Instagram page to see some of the exciting activities which have been taking place. May we also take this opportunity to wish many of our families a **Happy Diwali**.



Swimming lessons:

This week our children in upper KS2 have started swimming lessons. It is great that we are finally able to return to the pool as swimming is a life skill. Please can we remind you to ensure you **label your children's clothes** to ensure no items are lost when the children are changing at the pool. Can we also remind you that children need the correct swimming attire (**swim trunks/shorts or a costume, towel, and swimming hat**) to participate in the swimming lessons.



Topic homework:

It has been fantastic to see so many children bringing their topic homework in to school to share this week! You should receive your child's topic homework for their next half termly topic by Monday. Remember, topic homework is not compulsory, although it is a great way to get involved in your child's learning and if you do complete any then we'd really love to see it!

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Responsibility

Confidence

Headteacher News



This Friday 5th November as you are aware is Bonfire night. Please make sure you have discussed fire safety with your children to ensure they know the dangers of fireworks. We have discussed bonfire night and it's history with the children in class and have reminded them about the importance of taking care with fireworks. If you are visiting a professional display or are having a fireworks party this weekend please take care of your children and each other. <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/fireworks/>



**FIREWORKS
USE THEM SAFELY!**

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Fireworks can be fun but take extra care – plan ahead and always follow the firework code.

THE FIREWORK CODE

- Only buy fireworks that have a CE mark, from licenced retailers.
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box and use them one at a time.
- Read and follow the instructions on each firework, using a torch if necessary.
- Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back.
- Always supervise children around fireworks.
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves. Keep a bucket of water close by.
- Never give sparklers to a child under five years old.
- Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them.
- Don't let off fireworks after 11pm.
- Always keep pets indoors.

REMEMBER: Wherever possible, attend an organised firework display.

IF YOU ARE HAVING A BONFIRE:

- build the bonfire away from sheds, fences and trees
- never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire
- make sure that the bonfire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving.

For more information visit [london-fire.gov.uk](https://www.london-fire.gov.uk)

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Have a great weekend, stay safe.

Rebecca

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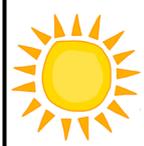


Year 6 Aurora & Sky

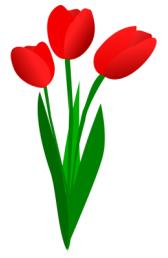
Year 6 are creating beautiful Artwork for The Big Draw, on the theme of "Make a Change".



Our artwork is based on colourful landscape, as we want to protect the stunning scenery we have around the world. We are using different mediums to create various effects.



Nursery Sun



This week Nursery children went on a local trip to Haddon Hall to plant tulip bulbs, which they enjoyed.

Children were learning about the kind of tools we use to plant and what plants need to grow. We are hoping to go back there in the Spring to see how much our tulips have grown.

On Thursday, children will be learning about Diwali, and on Friday 5th about Guy Fawkes Day.



NHS
King's College Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust

The Oral Health Promotion team will be hosting a Q and A session via Zoom for the parents and carers on:

Thursday 11th November at 10:30am

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

<https://zoom.us/j/4276455891?pwd=eFIHbHI5SEwyZWewZDR3bTN3U2FtQT09>

Meeting ID: 427 645 5891

Passcode: sGr76C

Join us for a friendly and interactive session for top tips on how to look after teeth.



Year 2

Planet Earth & Mars



Old T-Shirts/Shirts

Please can you bring in an **old t-shirt/shirt labelled with your child's name on it** - to use when they are painting in class.



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Homework

Just a quick reminder about homework.

Homework books have been collected by teachers, and will be prepared over the half-term to be redistributed to the children during the first week back.

During term time our expectation is that children spend;

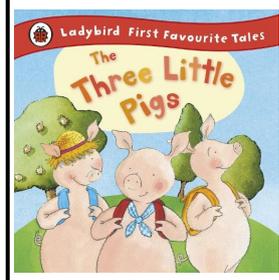
- 5-10 minutes a night on Mathletics
- 5-10 minutes a night on Reading Eggs
- At least 10 minutes reading every night
- Complete some of additional learning ideas from their homework books

Thank you for your continued support with home learning.



Nursery SUN

Book of the Week



Fiction:

The Three Little Pigs: Ladybird First Favourite

by [Nicola Baxter](#) (Author)

A perfect introduction to the traditional fairy tale *The Three Little Pigs*. Join the three little pigs as they set off to see the world, build their houses and encounter the big, bad wolf.

Before Half Term, Nursery class enjoyed listening to 'The Three Little Pigs.' story. Children had an opportunity to join in with repeated refrain in the story, which they had a lot of fun with.

They have learned about the different materials that houses can be made from. They thought of where they live and they painted a picture of their front door, and put a number on it.

Children also decorated Little Pigs houses, using 'straw', 'sticks' and 'bricks'. They made paper plate pigs, too. Children liked role-playing the three little pigs.





REWARDS



Writer of the Week

- Mercury:** Laya- Great work on bossy verbs!
- Venus:** Scarlett - For always producing lovely handwriting.
- Mars:** Ibrahim - For improved handwriting.
- Planet Earth:** Daniel - For creating a poster with different sentence types.
- Galaxy:** Alfie - For trying hard to write more in lessons
- Saturn:** Ramla - For creating some fantastic noun phrases in English
- Jupiter:** Averii - For working hard on his handwriting
- Supernova :** Harry - For producing excellent modal verb questions.
- Neptune:** Jewel - You were committed to producing your best work in our English practice on relative clauses and using various openers - excellent work
- Pluto:** Alex - For working hard in your biography writing and trying to incorporate more of your own ideas.
- Aurora:** Micah - For having creative ideas in his writing.
- Sky:** Papitho - For being extremely resilience in understanding dividing.



Mathematician of the Week

- Mercury:** Azion - For his great work on ordinal numbers.
- Venus:** George - For showing a good understanding of original numbers.
- Mars:** Jayson- For his place value number work.
- Planet Earth:** Angel - For fantastic place value learning.
- Galaxy:** Anissa - For working well in group activities
- Saturn:** Jeremiah - For doing brilliant work in Maths this week.
- Jupiter:** Rhys - For great work when adding 2 and 3 digit numbers.
- Supernova:** Luis - For working hard in small groups this week.
- Neptune:** Bethany - You worked so well independently to produce some great work on 3 digit multiples of 3. Very proud of you!
- Pluto:** Rico For really working hard this week to complete your Maths work and even taking on a few challenges!
- Aurora:** Stas - For pushing through his dislike of long division and really beginning to excel at it.
- Sky:** Kayla - For gaining a pen license by working hard on her presentation.



Champions

Core Value Responsibility Years 1 to 2

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Deonnah	For showing the value of responsibility by helping others with their learning.
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Jimmy	For taking responsibility for his learning.
<i>Mars</i>	Alara-Marie	For always modeling the value of responsibility.
<i>Mars</i>	Aliyah	For always setting a good example, and being responsible for her work.
<i>Mercury</i>	Hosna	Always taking responsibility for her learning environment ,and keeping it tidy all the time!
<i>Mercury</i>	Joseph	For taking responsibility for his own learning, and always trying so hard.
<i>Venus</i>	Sabrina	for always being responsible in class
<i>Venus</i>	Leo	Showing the value of responsibility by helping a new pupil to settle in our class.



Champions

Core Value - Responsibility Years 3 to 6

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Jupiter</i>	Kimaya	For persevering with her work, even when she finds it hard.
<i>Jupiter</i>	Zendayah	For working hard in all her lessons
<i>Saturn</i>	Hasanat	For taking responsibility to complete all her work.
<i>Saturn</i>	Ricco	For starting to take responsibility for his work especially in English this week.
<i>Supernova</i>	Zainab	For taking responsibility for learning, and being a good role model within class.
<i>Supernova</i>	Derek	For working hard in lessons, and displaying great behaviour this week.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Jayden	For being an excellent role model for the class.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Kayla	For taking responsibility for learning and working hard.
<i>Neptune</i>	Blessing	You took great responsibility for completing your work over half. Well done on your commitment to your education.
<i>Neptune</i>	Rayane	You have taken responsibility for being organised in making sure you have your equipment ready. You are well prepared.
<i>Pluto</i>	Elisa	For showing the value of responsibility by asking more questions in your learning and making sure you understand before moving on.
<i>Pluto</i>	Hemeda	For showing the value of responsibility in everything you do- from the playground to the classroom- and being a great role for the class!
<i>Aurora</i>	Ronnie	For taking responsibility for improving his reading by reading regularly.
<i>Aurora</i>	Brandon	For acting responsibly by taking on the role of school captain, and being a great role model.
<i>Sky</i>	Harlem	For taking responsibility to complete all his work, particularly in English.
<i>Sky</i>	Taylor	For being a fantastic role model.



School Info & Events



First name	Class	New Age
Jewel	Neptune	10
Kingsley	Jupiter	8
Hannan	Nursery 2	4

Attendance Ladder

Attendance is improving, but as a school we are still regularly below national average. Please continue to check the ladder to see where you fit! Our whole school attendance needs to be above 95.3% every week!

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned



Attendance Class Winners of the Week

Week Commencing
Monday 18th October 2021

School Year Autumn Term 1 2021	Class	%
Attendance	Whole School	92.5%
KS1 Winner	Planet Earth	94.1%
KS2 Winner	Neptune	100%
Punctuality Winner	Planet Earth	98.6%
Punctuality Winner	Aurora	99.3%
Mars		93.7%
Punctuality		97.3%
Jupiter		90.4%
Punctuality		97.2%
Mercury		83.5%
Punctuality		96.0%
Saturn		91.2%
Punctuality		96.5%
Supernova		97.5%
Punctuality		96.5%
Galaxy		90.8%
Punctuality		99.2%
Neptune Punctuality		98.6%
Pluto		93.3%
Punctuality		95.7%
Aurora		86.2%
Sky		96.7%
Punctuality		98.7%



Important School Reminders!!



Punctuality

We will be closing the gate at **9:00am** (when our last Year Group enters the building).

Any child arriving after this time; will need to enter through the school office and register a late mark - AND GIVE A REASON FOR THE LATENESS.



Coats

As the weather is changing, we urge you to provide a coat for your child for school.

We want to ensure children are out in the fresh air as much as possible, so they need to be wrapped up warm.

Please remember to label your child's items - so they do not get lost.

AT THE END OF THE DAY (Important Messages)

1) 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.

2) If you have a different collection arrangement 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.



Swimming Year 4 & Year 5

Swimming lessons for Year 4 and Year 5 will start when we return after the October 2021 half term.

Letters have been emailed to Parents and Carers via Parentmail for your information.

Please ensure that your child brings the appropriate swimwear, a towel and a swimming cap, goggles can be worn if you wish.

Unfortunately, the school is NOT in a position to provide swimwear or towels etc. for children.





Parent/Carer Info & Support



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.



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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

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The newly formed Grange School PTA invite you to support our

BAKE SALE



FRIDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2021
3PM @THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE



CASH ONLY

All proceedings will go to the next family activity for the school



Grange Primary School PTA

Bake Sale

Friday, 12th November 2021

