



# Grange Primary School Newsletter

## 17th December 2021

Autumn Term 2

Core Value Of The Week: Respect

Dear Parents, Carers,

What an eventful Autumn term we have had! Thank you all for your support and continued kindness.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole team here at Grange, they have all worked tirelessly to ensure your children are looked after and given good opportunities to learn. We will continue to strive to be the best we can be, and make positive changes to our curriculum and learning routines to ensure your children are receiving the best education we can give them.

Today you will receive a short school report outlining where your child is currently working. Please do not worry if they are working below the expected standard. You will see that teachers have offered some guidance in the way in which you can support your children at home. We have also identified these areas of need, and children will be receiving additional support at school during small group activities and interventions. If you would like more clarification regarding your child's report, please let your child's class teacher know in January, and they will aim to meet with you to discuss any matters further.

To prepare for any possible changes in Public Health advice, all education and childcare settings have been asked to review their existing outbreak plans to ensure they are well prepared for any future changes. As a school we have done this and our contingency guidance will be uploaded to the school website shortly. If during the winter holiday we are informed by the Government we need to close, we will send a parent mail text or email to you outlining all relevant information. We will also upload all documents, announcements, and letters to our school website. The information will be located under the **COVID UPDATES** icon on the front page of the school website.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the children, well done to you all. Your winter performances were fantastic, you learnt the words and worked hard with your classmates. You sang your hearts out and everyone was very proud of you.

I would like to wish you all many Seasonal Greetings, and hope you get to have a restful few weeks with family. We look forward to seeing you all back with us (hopefully!) on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

*Rebecca*

**Rebecca Benjamins**  
Headteacher



**Love**

**Hope**


**Co-Operation**



# Headteacher News

## Word of the Week (1<sup>ST</sup> Week back)

Thank you to those families that discussed our word of the week last week, many children received Dojo points for using the word beckon in their writing or conversations last week. Our word of the week this week is **ornament**. Please discuss this word with your children.



### Shinobi Word of the Day

**Word of the Day:** **ornament**

Pronunciation / Syllables

**Definition:**

An ornament is an attractive object that you display in your home or in your garden.


**Phrases:** beautiful ornament, glass ornament

**Synonym:** decoration, knick-knack

**Antonym:**

**Prefix / Suffix:** -al

**Word Class**  
(noun)



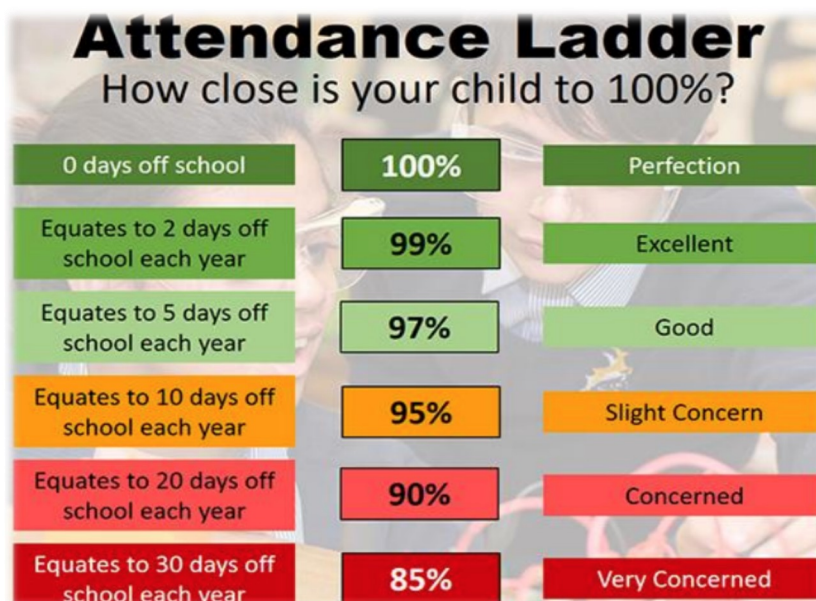
**Rhyme:**

**Link Word:** tree, home

The tree was filled with ornaments.

## Attendance

Attendance is improving, but as a school we are still regularly below national average. Please continue to check ladder to see where you fit! Our whole school attendance needs to be above **95.7%** every week!





# News



## Nursery Sun

This week children in Sun class were practising writing their names on Christmas cards. They had lots of fun decorating Christmas and Winter pictures.

Full-time children had Christmas lunch, and all of us are looking forward to our Christmas party on Friday.

Have a restful and peaceful break! **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2022 everyone!**



## Venus & Mercury Christmas concert!

Venus and Mercury had a wonderful time singing Christmas songs for their parents.

We hope you enjoy it! We would like to thank the parents for their continuous support this term.

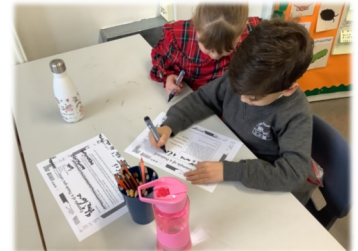
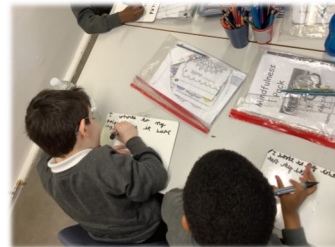
**Merry Christmas!**



## Year 2 Planet Earth & Mars

Year 2 have been doing some fantastic writing about the Jolly postman story

They learnt how to add and subtract 2 digit numbers, investigated a micro habitat, and enjoyed Christmas activities this week.





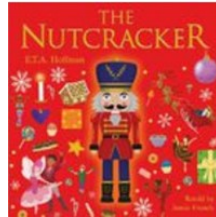
# News



## BOOK OF THE WEEK

### *Moon Class*

**Title:** The Nutcracker  
**Author:** Imagine That Publishing  
**Publisher:** Imagine That Publishing  
**Interest age:** 4+



A beautiful story about a little girl receiving a present from her Father. It was a doll – The Nutcracker. Her brother becomes jealous of this gift and breaks it, but her Father was able to mend it. The clock strikes 12am, and suddenly all the toys came to life. A battle then happens between the Nutcracker, his soldiers and the Mouse King.

**Title:** Happy  
**Author:** Nicola Edwards and Katie Hickey  
**Publisher:** Caterpillar Books  
**Interest age:** 4 Years  
**Reading age:** 3- 6 Years



We breathe out many thousands of stars. And if ever we start to feel panicky, This reminds us of who we are. The perfect soothing read for quiet time. Happy gently encourages young readers to explore their emotions and the beautiful world them. This poetic journey to a place of happiness and calm, will inspire and empower your child to enjoy the practice of mindfulness.

## Christingle and Carols

Sunday December 19th  
 (Coffee, mince pies and Christingle making from 10am)  
 10.30 - 11.30 am celebration



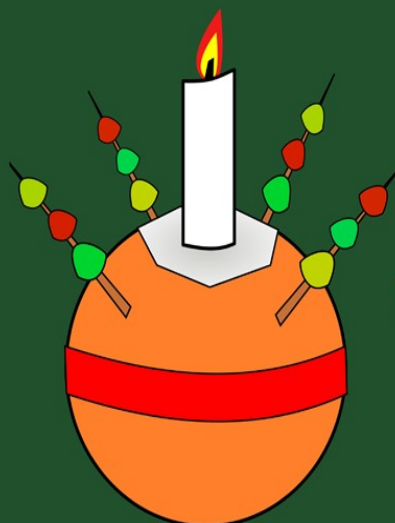
### All ages welcome

### Come and celebrate

### *Jesus the light*

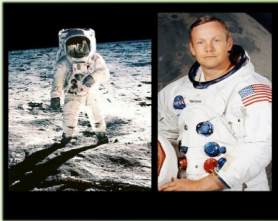
### at Haddon Hall Baptist Church

22 Tower Bridge Road    [office@haddonhall.net](mailto:office@haddonhall.net)





# House Winner Autumn Term 2



HOUSE	DOJO POINTS Total (Autumn Term 2)
Helen Sharman (HS)	<b>2nd Place</b> 5335
Tim Peake (TP)	<b>1st Place Winner</b> 5455
Neil Armstrong (NA)	<b>4th Place</b> 5062
Bernard Harris (BH)	<b>3rd Place</b> 5292
Stephanie Wilson (SW)	<b>5th Place</b> 4803



# REWARDS



## Writer of the Week

**Planet Earth:** Samson for fantastic effort in English, and trying hard to use cursive handwriting.

**Mars:** Aliyah for always putting 100% into her writing.

**Venus:** Akram for using adjectives in his writing.

**Mercury:** Charlotte-Rose working hard to use past tense words (ed words) in her writing!

**Saturn:** Isla for creating and publishing her own narrative in English.

**Galaxy:** Gianni for persevering with his extended write, creating a fantastically imaginative story.

**Supernova:** Quinten for working hard to keep handwriting neat and presentable.

**Pluto:** Abdulrahma for a great effort in all your writing lessons this term- you are a star!

**Neptune:** Maimouna your writing has been consistently high standard this term - keep pushing yourself (and checking your work)!

**Sky:** Eunbitt for continuing to have beautifully presented work.

**Aurora:** Daniella for trying hard to keep the presentation of her handwriting beautifully neat.

## Mathematician of the Week



**Planet Earth:** Anes for trying hard with column addition and subtraction.

**Mars:** Alice for working hard in Maths and learning how to use column method.

**Venus:** Emmanuel for his enthusiasm in Maths.

**Mercury:** Laya, great work on comparing numbers and objects!

**Saturn:** Namari

**Galaxy:** Augustina for trying harder to complete her Maths work in good time.

**Supernova:** Nadia for working hard to improve her understanding of subtraction strategies.

**Pluto:** Alex for working incredibly hard to improve in Maths lessons, and trying to apply strategies to solve difficult questions.

**Neptune:** Umar, you keep on trying your best - working hard to complete your tasks! Well done you!

**Sky:** Asare for working hard of his reasoning.

**Aurora:** Makayla for trying her hardest to understand adding and subtracting fractions.



# Champions



## Core Value Respect Years 1 to 2

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Deannah	Being respectful to others and helping to tidy the classroom.
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Kandji	For always being respectful and cheerful to everybody in the class.
<i>Mars</i>	Daniella	For always being respectful to everybody and modelling the value to all her peers.
<i>Mars</i>	Elliott	For being respectful of school equipment and always, making sure his table is tidy.
<i>Mercury</i>	Marvellous	For always being respectful towards everybody, and being a superb role model!
<i>Mercury</i>	Joseph	For always being respectful, and being an excellent role model for others!
<i>Venus</i>	Muhammed	For always being respectful to adults and peers.
<i>Venus</i>	George	For always greeting adults in the morning.



# Champions



## Core Value - Respect Years 3 to 6

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Saturn</i>	Luqman	Respecting his learning environment, and tidying up after himself.
<i>Saturn</i>	Celina	Being respectful of others while on the playground.
<i>Supernova</i>	Luis	For displaying good manners to all at all times.
<i>Supernova</i>	Zainab	For always caring for her classmates and others around her.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Jayden	For listening to and following instructions from all adults in the school.
<i>Galaxy</i>	Fares	For showing respect during our Carol Concert.
<i>Neptune</i>	Noah	You respect the rules, others and yourself. An excellent example for others!
<i>Neptune</i>	Trianna	You keep on going, trying your best, no matter the lesson, task or activity. Huge self-respect! What a star!
<i>Pluto</i>	Amira	For always showing respect to her classmates, and being a kind friend to others.
<i>Pluto</i>	Reyah	For always respecting the views of others. Amazing!
<i>Aurora</i>	Kiarra	Always respecting the views of others around her. A brilliant role model!
<i>Aurora</i>	Sina	For respecting the school and class rules, by always following them.
<i>Sky</i>	Archie	Has shown the value of respect this week by following all instructions provided.
<i>Sky</i>	Tommy	Always shows the value of respect to his peers and those around him.





# School Info & Events



First name	Class	New Age
Martina	Nursery 2	4
Naetochukwu	Reception	5
Ainhoa	Reception	5
Daniella	Year 6	11
Harli	Year 1	6
Brandon	Year 6	11
Archie	Year 6	11



## Attendance Class Winners of the Week

Week Commencing  
Monday 6th December 2021



School Year Autumn Term 2 2021	Class	%
Attendance	Whole School	90.6%
KS1 Winner	Planet Earth	94.3%
KS2 Winner	Supernova	96.4%
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Mercury	96.7%
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Neptune	96.8%
Mercury		87.6%
Venus		88.2%
Planet Earth Punctuality		96.3%
Mars		92.3%
Punctuality		96.7%
Jupiter		83.8%
Punctuality		94.2%
Saturn		89.3%
Punctuality		93.0%
Galaxy		92.9%
Punctuality		97.5%
Supernova Punctuality		95.0%
Neptune		91.8%
Pluto		92.4%
Punctuality		95.2%
Aurora		83.8%
Punctuality		92.4%
Sky		93.2%
Punctuality		95.5%



# 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](https://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](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)

Visit [southwark.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://southwark.gov.uk/coronavirus) or sign up to our digital newsletter at [southwark.gov.uk/followus](https://southwark.gov.uk/followus)

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