



Grange Primary School Newsletter

3rd December 2021

Autumn Term 2

Core Value Of The Week: Responsibility

Word Of The Week:- CHARISMA Definition: *compelling attractiveness, or charm that can inspire devotion in others.*

Dear Parents, Carers,

Thank you for adhering to our Covid 19 updates and helping to keep our school community safe.

If you have not read our Covid-19 update letter recently sent to you, please ensure you have read it before **Monday**. If you have any questions regarding any of the points, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We are sorry that some of our planned events have had to be cancelled, please ensure you look at the **date list below—so you are aware of events still taking place, and any changes we have made.**

Date	Time	Event
09/12/21	2.30pm	Early Years Carol concert to parents NOW OUTSIDE
10/12/21	All day	Pantomime for the children — Scroogical the musical! —CANCELLED
13/12/21	2.30pm	Yr 1/2 Carol concert to parents NOW OUTSIDE
14/12/21	2.30pm	Yr 3/4 Carol concert to parents NOW OUTSIDE
14/12/21	11.30 – 1.30	Children's Christmas lunch – Children to wear a Winter/ Christmas jumper or outfit!
15/12/21	2.30pm	Yr 5 and 6 Carol concert to parents NOW OUTSIDE
16/12/21	11am	House winners bowling trip CANCELLED
16/12/21	3pm – 5pm	PTA winter fair CANCELLED
17/12/21	PM	Class Parties
17/12/21	2pm	School closes for the holiday
20/12/21 – 3/1/22	N/A	School is closed for the holiday
4/1/22	8.45am	Inset Day (Staff Only)
5/1/22	8.45am	Inset Day (Staff Only)
6/1/22		Children return to School



Love

Hope

Co-Operation



Headteacher News



Goodbye Mr Brennan!

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Mr Brennan at the end of this term. Mr Brennan has been a great help to me during my first term, and I know how much he will be missed by the staff, families and children at Grange. Mr Brennan will be heading back to Ireland with his family and their latest arrival, and we wish him all the luck with his future role. He will be an asset to his new school, and they are lucky to have him!



We have been fortunate that a local School has seconded their Acting Deputy Head Teacher to us for the remainder of the year. Farhana Sultana will join us in January, three days a week to support myself and Mr Black in leading the school. Her main focus will be to support teaching and learning and she will be working closely with the teachers.

Mr Black and I will remain your main contacts with regards to behaviour and safeguarding. Please ensure, you make Miss Sultana feel as welcome as you did to me when you see her! She will be visiting next Tuesday, so look out for her.

You will have noticed or heard, that Christmas has started at Grange this week, the children in Year 1 visited our friends at Haddon hall to learn about advent. On December 1st many children were taught their weekly RE lesson, which focused on advent and its importance in the Christian religion. Our nursery children have made some decorations for our tree, which has been put up in the Albert McKenzie Hall for all to enjoy. We are very much looking forward to our Christmas lunch on 14th December, and encourage all of our children to wear a wintery outfit during the day.

This week we have looked at Maths books across the school, it was nice to see what the children have been up to and some of the learning that has taken place. Next week we will be watching Maths lessons. Remember you can help your child with their basic mathematical skills by logging into Mathletics weekly with them!

Have a great weekend. Stay safe!

Rebecca

Rebecca Benjamins
Headteacher



Respect

Responsibility

Confidence



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Nursery (Sun)

This week children have been practising singing Winter songs in preparation for our Christmas performance next week.

Children have also been busy making Christmas tree decorations for the school's Christmas tree. They have done a beautiful job!



Year 2

Planet Earth & Mars



Year 2 have been learning about endangered animals, and written their own version of a story.

They have added and subtracted in tens. They have practised making different shapes with their bodies in gymnastics, and learnt about the seaside in Topic .



PLANET EARTH CLASS (Santa Hats and Red Jumpers Needed)

Please could your child bring in a plain red top/jumper for our performance.

Please could they also bring in a Santa hat if possible too.

Thank you!!



CHRISTMAS JUMPER Day Friday 10th December

Make sure you wear a Christmas jumper on Friday 10th December.

Donate a £1

Proceeds go to Save the Children Charity

You don't even need a new jumper,"
"You can dig out last year's, take a boring old sweater and add some tinsel.



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Parent/Carer Workshop

Do you need advice on how to cope with
your child's anxieties/worries?



Where: Albert McKenzie Hall

**When: Wednesday,
15th December 2021**

Time: 9am-10am

**Refreshments, a listening ear &
advice provided.**

Look forward to seeing you there!



BOOK OF THE WEEK

Supernova

Title: The Girl Who Stole an Elephant

Author: Nirzana Farook

Publisher: Nosy Crow Ltd

Interest age: 8+

Reading age: 9-12



This book follows Chaya, a rebellious daughter of a noble man, who cannot seem to resist all the charming temptations of the King's palace. She sets out to explore a Sri Lankan jungle with friends and a magnificent elephant. However, trouble comes their way when she steals the queen's jewels! This fictional adventure book, which allows readers to travel to the exciting Sri Lanka, has themes of heroism, loyalty, friendly and reward.

Title: Why The Whales Came

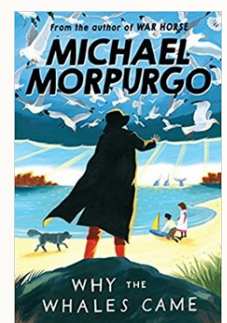
Author: Michael Morpurgo

Publisher: Egmont

Interest age: 8+

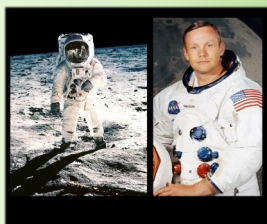
Reading age: 9+

Little Gracie and Daniel have been warned to avoid the Birdman, until one day they come across a message in the sand that changes their opinion of him. Set against the backdrop of the First World War, in the tradition of Friend or Foe and Private Peaceful. Michael Morpurgo brings the emotional reality of conflict to life in a way that is accessible to younger readers.





House Winner of the Week



HOUSE	POINTS
WINNER Helen Sharman (HS)	840
Tim Peake (TP)	824
Neil Armstrong (NA)	765
Bernard Harris (BH)	818
Stephanie Wilson (SW)	762



REWARDS



Writer of the Week

Saturn: Celina for creating a thought-out plan for her narrative

Supernova: Elijah for working hard to improve his handwriting this week.

Galaxy: Kayla for using ambitious vocabulary in her writing.

Neptune: Raina, You are putting in real effort to make your writing better - keep this up!

Sky: Amina, your handwriting is as beautiful as the ideas you write.

Aurora: Sina for being extremely focused and trying hard with your writing.

Planet Earth: Isha for trying her best when counting forwards and backwards in tens.

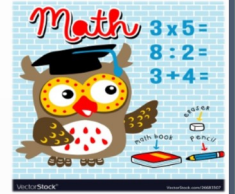
Mars: Nabila wrote a fantastic letter persuading humans to protect endangered animals.

Mercury: Ebrahim huge improvement in using his phonics sounds during our writing lessons. Well done!

Venus: Scarlett, working hard to write different sentences in English.

Pluto- Fatima for an interesting version of The Island.

Mathematician of the Week



Saturn: Rafael for doing well in Maths, learning addition and subtraction.

Supernova: Zainab for showing great improvement with addition calculations this week.

Galaxy: Jayden for listening carefully and trying his best in Maths lessons.

Neptune: Blessing, you have worked so hard to improve with your Maths and it is paying off. Great progress!

Sky: Harlem for working hard, even when the Maths becomes a challenge.

Aurora: Leo for trying hard to work independently with his Maths.

Planet Earth: Yassin for trying hard to write a story independently.

Mars: Aliyah for her brilliant addition and subtraction work.

Mercury: Marvellous, always trying so hard in our maths lessons and attempting the challenges with a positive mind-set!

Venus: Isabelle for completing her math work independently!

Pluto- Kwame for understanding the concept of multiplying by two-digit numbers.



Champions

Core Value Responsibility Years 1 to 2

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Alina	For taking responsibility when looking after the classroom environment and helping others with their learning.
<i>Planet Earth</i>	Aisha	For taking responsibility for looking after her belongings and reading every day at home.
<i>Mars</i>	Ella-Mae	Is a sensible member of Mars Class she is a responsible and brilliant role model.
<i>Mars</i>	Mustafa	Always show responsibility for his learning and routine.
<i>Mercury</i>	Harli	Being responsible for her home reading book and beginning to bring it in to school every day!
<i>Mercury</i>	Ali	Beginning to take more responsibility for his own behavior!
<i>Venus</i>	Emmanuel	Emmanuel for being responsible for making sure his learning environment is tidy
<i>Venus</i>	Angelina	Angelina: Being responsible for beginning to bring her book bag to school every day.



Champions

Core Value - Responsibility Years 3 to 6

Class	Name	Reason for Award
<i>Saturn</i>	Erick	Taking responsibility for his own learning and practicing at home
<i>Saturn</i>	Liya	For taking her time to complete her work to the best of her abilities.
<i>Supernova</i>	Blythe	For showing the value of confidence by settling in really well this week and working hard.
<i>Supernova</i>	Ali	For working hard to complete his work to the best of his ability this week!
<i>Galaxy</i>	Amine	For showing bravery during his swimming lessons
<i>Galaxy</i>	Victoria	For working independently in Maths throughout the week
<i>Neptune</i>	Francois Franco	You have helped out a classmate this week, you have been supportive and done your best by them. Well done you!
<i>Neptune</i>	Noah	You have got on with tasks in class, despite absence, and tried your best. That's taking responsibility for your own learning!
<i>Aurora</i>	Makayla	Has shown confidence this week by answering more questions in Guided Reading
<i>Aurora</i>	Arthi	Has shown confidence by sharing her ideas in Science
<i>Sky</i>	Brandon	Shows confidence every day in Sky class by always sharing his ideas.
<i>Sky</i>	Somal	Has shown the value of confidence this week throughout guided reading.
<i>Pluto</i>	Ernest	For making friends and settling well in Pluto class
<i>Pluto</i>	Konika	Being confident!



School Info & Events



First name	Class	New Age
Tiago	Jupiter	8
Brooke	Sky	11
Sabrina	Venus	6
Samaha	Saturn	8
Ibrahim	Mars	7
Stephen	Mars	7

Important reminder

PE KIT

Your child must always remember to bring their correct P.E. kit on the days when they have P.E. lessons - it is part of their school uniform.

Also, please ensure all school uniforms/PE kits/coats are labelled with their full names

Thank you !!!



Attendance Class Winners of the Week

**Week Commencing
Monday 22nd November 2021**

School Year Autumn Term 2 2021	Class	%
Attendance	Whole School	92.2%
KS1 Winner	Venus	96.5%
KS2 Winner	Saturn	96.9%
Punctuality Winner	Planet Earth	99.3%
Punctuality Winner	Supernova	98.6%
Mercury		85.0%
Punctuality		97.5%
Venus Punctuality		98.2%
Planet Earth		89.3%
Mars		90.3%
Punctuality		98.3%
Jupiter		95.6%
Punctuality		96.0%
Saturn Punctuality		95.4%
Galaxy		94.6%
Punctuality		97.1%
Supernova		95.7%
Neptune		94.8%
Punctuality		98.1%
Pluto		95.0%
Punctuality		96.9%
Aurora		87.2%
Punctuality		96.9%
Sky		89.4%
Punctuality		97.6%



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

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