



# Weekly Newsletter

## Spring Term 1

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

### A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have been informed by **NEU Trade Union** there will be several days of strike action by their teacher members over the next few months. The first proposed day of action will be held on Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup>. At this time, I am currently assessing the situation for Grange and looking at ways in which we will be able to manage the strike. I will be in touch on Monday detailing our plans for the day but wanted to make you aware that there is a possibility we will have to close the school to the children on this day.

We have had a busy week this week, Aurora class attended a Tag Rugby festival and yoga and mindfulness sessions were taught to some classes. Year 4 began their Tudor topic and produced some fabulous portraits.

Thank you to the parents who attended the year 2 SAT's workshop on Monday. Please do not forget the year 6 SAT's workshop on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2.30pm and the year 1 phonics screening meeting on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm.

### Coats

As the weather has yet again turned this week, please remember to send your child to school in a jumper and with a warm coat. Please make sure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their full name and class.

### Holocaust Memorial Day

Next week the children will be learning about Holocaust Memorial Day. They will be listening to stories and saying what they think and feel. If you are interested in teaching your child more about this day please look at the following link.

<https://www.hmd.org.uk/take-part-in-holocaust-memorial-day/schools/primary-schools/>

### Climate action and Clean Air

Over the last term we have been working closely with Southwark council and their climate change team. We are happy to announce we have secured a grant for some funding to help improve the air quality for the children at Grange. Before the end of the year air filtration systems will be installed in some classes and green screening (a plant wall) will be planted in the early years playground to help cut down the pollution.

### Chinese New Year

On Friday at the end of the day they were read the story of Chinese New Year and learnt all about the year of the rabbit. For all our families celebrating this weekend, we wish you a Happy New Year.



I hope you enjoy the weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Rebecca

### Value of the Week

The value of the week this week was **co-operation**. Please take some time over the weekend to discuss this value with your children.

*"Alone we are smart together we are brilliant". (Steven Anderson)*

### Word of the Week


The word of the week this week is "diagnose". Please spend some time discussing this word with your child.

**Shinobi Word of the Day**

**Word of the Day:** **diagnose** Word Class (verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables (di-ag-nose)

**Definition:**  
If someone or something is diagnosed as having a particular illness or problem, their illness or problem is identified. If an illness or problem is diagnosed, it is identified.



**Fred diagnosed the problem with the computer.**

<b>Synonym:</b>	<b>Antonym:</b>	<b>Prefix / Suffix:</b>	<b>Rhyme:</b>	<b>Link Word:</b>
detect		mis-		problem
identify		re-		error



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## Rewards Years EY, 1 and 2



Core Value: **Co-operation**  
EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

Class:	Name:	Reason for Award:
Venus	Shahira	For cooperating with her friends during tidy up time
Mercury	Yarran	For working well with her peers and teachers to catch up on work.
Planet Earth	Sara	For co-operating and working well with others.

Class	Writer of the week	Reason
Venus	Harry	For writing a fantastic fact file on Polar Bears
Mercury	David	For his brilliant English work this week.
Planet Earth	Jannat	For fantastic handwriting and writing an imaginary, creative certificate to someone who helped fight the Great fire of London.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
Venus	Chanel	For always trying her best in Maths
Mercury	Albert	For the effort he has put into his work this week.
Planet Earth	Muhammed	Excellent effort in making and sharing equal groups.

### EYFS to Year 2

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
Venus	Isabella	For great blending in reading this week.
Mercury	Emmanuel	For working really hard on his reading this week.
Planet Earth	Eilayah	Becoming a much more fluent reader.



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## Rewards Years 3 to 6



Core Value: **Co-operation**  
Years 3 to 6

Class:	Name:	Reason for Award:
Jupiter	Aisha M	Always co-operating with everyone around her!
Saturn	Isha	Working great in a group. Also, changing seats with a friend to help with their learning.
Supernova	Samaha	For working well with others and being extremely helpful in class!
Galaxy	Kiera	For always working well with all her classmates.
Neptune	Nabil	Trying to help out the class operation consistently
Aurora	Olivia	For always working well with others.
Sky	Noah	For always being a great team player.

Class	Writer of the week	Reason
Jupiter	Linda	For writing a great letter in role as a character!
Saturn	Aram	Great handwriting and writing a great paragraph
Supernova	Bevelyn	For great work on her letter to Iron Man this week!
Galaxy	Franki	For using all her writing features in a letter to Iron Man's sister.
Neptune	Nuraz	Excellent level of ambition with your persuasion this week
Aurora	Trixie	For writing with much more accuracy!
Sky	Muhammed	For producing a great piece of writing with lovely handwriting.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
Jupiter	Cavalli	For always trying so hard in Maths! Well done!
Saturn	Cheryl	For doing great work when we looked at repeated addition.
Supernova	Aisha	For great work with multiplication this week!
Galaxy	Kimaya	For making great progress in her times tables! Keep it up!
Neptune	Ali	Enjoying your maths and focusing more independently
Aurora	Rayane	For his excellent work on ratio this week,



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Sky	Mubaraq	For fantastic understanding of ratio.
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### Reader of the week:

#### Years 3 to 6

Class:	Name:	Reason for Award:
Jupiter	Hassan	A huge improvement with his reading!
Saturn	Jamaldeen	Doing great reading with the teacher
Supernova	Noreen	For showing a love for reading in class!
Galaxy	Kingsley	For good fluency in his reading lessons.
Neptune	Nadia	Keeping up with your home reading this week
Aurora	Reyah	For her enthusiasm for reading
Sky	Sylvia	For consistently reading every day this week.



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# School Information & Events

## Attendance Class Winner of The Week








School Year Autumn Term	Class	%
Attendance KS1 Winner	Planet Earth	95.8
Attendance KS2 Winner	Aurora	100
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Planet Earth	96.8
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Jupiter	98.7
Venus		96.7
Mercury		95.0
Planet Earth		96.8
Jupiter		98.7
Saturn		95.2
Supernova		94.8
Galaxy		97.9
Neptune		96.4
Aurora		98.2
Sky		96.3



First Name	Class	Age
Aisha	Galaxy	9
Soz	Aurora	11
Nia Ebony Sade	Moon	5
Ricco Jayden	Supernova	9
Alice	Saturn	8
Raina	Aurora	11
Ejatu	Venus	6
Junior	Saturn	8
Reyah	Aurora	11

## House Winners

Tim Peake		1,115
Stephanie Wilson		919
Neil Armstrong		1,122
Helen Sharman		1,275
Bernard Harris		1,047



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### Dates for the Diary



20/1/23	Chinese New Year celebration
23/1/23	Yr 6 SATs Parent coffee morning
27/1/23	Holocaust Memorial Day
30/1/23	Phonics screening parent coffee afternoon 2.30
28 <sup>th</sup> Jan - 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	National Story Telling Week
01/02/23	Planned teaching union day of industrial action - families will be updated on Monday 23 Jan as to how this will affect our school.
03/2/23	Number Day
03/2/23	Early Years celebration morning - Number
06 & 07/2/22	Zoo lab visiting (all classes to receive an animal handling workshop)
06/2/23	Mental Health Week
07/2/23	Safer Internet Day
<b>10/2/23</b>	<b>Tutorial Day - school closed for children - parents to attend meetings with children</b>
<b>Half Term</b>	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>

**Our KS1 and EYFS – reading together sessions will begin for the Spring term on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January!**

## Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?



## Mathletics



Winning Class: **Venus Class**

School's total points: **21,160**

### Makaton Word of the Week

Along with our word of the week, our children will now be learning some sign language. We have many pupils at Grange that are non-verbal and one of the ways in which we communicate with them is to use sign language. We want all our children to be able to communicate with each other so felt that teaching our children to sign would help this. Please help us to learn together by practising this with your child at home.



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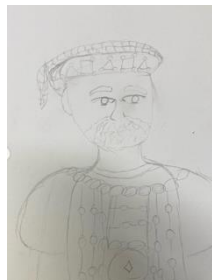
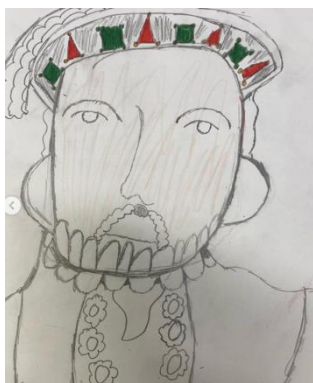
## Class Gallery

Nursery are loving their space topic. They have enjoyed pretending to be rockets, making playdough space stations, sorting moon rocks, reading stories about space and making rockets with 2d shapes.



### Year 4

Year 4 have created some amazing Tutor portraits, we are very excited to see what else they will be learning about!



# Parent/ Carer Information and Support

Free Coding Club

## CoderDojo Coding Club



Coder dojo

During our CoderDojo Coding sessions you and your family can choose what you want to create, go at your own pace and decide how you like to work—on your own or teamed up. From total beginners to programming experts, everyone is welcome.

You'll find out how programming is useful and relevant to your everyday life and what skills you already have that programmers use. Our volunteer mentors, who regularly use programming and STEM, will be available to lend a hand if you run into trouble.

**For the first part of the session, you can try programming for the first time or work on your own project. You can build a website, create an app, or a game. This is followed by a short show-and-tell session where you can share your projects with the rest of the**

Date: **28 January 2023**

Time: **10am to 11.15am**

Address: John Harvard Library

211 Borough High Street

London

Post code: SE1 1JA

Book tickets: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/coderdojo-coding-club-tickets-506483474707](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/coderdojo-coding-club-tickets-506483474707)

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