



# Weekly Newsletter

## Summer Term 2

Friday, 21st July 2023



### A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have made it to the end of term and what a term it has been! We have had a jam packed few weeks and a very busy year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and effort both with your support to your children's learning at home with the fabulous homework projects, making a real effort to improve attendance and punctuality and for the help and contributions you have made to the school. I am sure you would all like to join me in thanking each and every member of staff at Grange for their hard work with your children and wish them all a great holiday.

#### Carnival and International Food Festival

On Wednesday we held our carnival and food festival. Thank you to Miss Abrahams for organising the event. To Miss Khaleda, Mr Tafarah and Miss Funke for their cooking! For the children and all of the adults who supported making the banners, musical instruments and head dresses. To the team at Grange for their support, setting up, running stalls and clearing away.

We really must say a HUGE thank you to all of the families who contributed dishes and ran stalls at the festival. We had henna designs and even our own entrepreneurs of bracelet makers! We enjoyed Moroccan tea, and a splendid range of food from around the world including a whole host of African countries, the West Indies, Bangladesh, Kurdistan, Egypt, Mexico, Ukraine, Brazil, Portugal, Russia and Ecuador and many more. A great day was had by all and an amazing £600 was raised for future school events and creativity! Thanks to everyone that came and helped make the event such a success.

#### Year 6

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 performed their version of the "Greatest Showman" to their parents and carers. What a fantastic performance it was, who knew we had such talented singers and performers at school! On Thursday evening Year 6 were treated to a fun prom, the red carpet was laid out and a balloon arch created and a good time was had by all. Well done to the team in Year 6 for supporting the children and organising the multiple events. The time has now come for us to wish the children well on their future journey. To all children in year 6, we wish you a fantastic summer and all the luck at secondary school. Remember "Don't cry because it is over but smile because it happened".

#### Summer Sports Camp

There is still time to book a space at the summer sports camp being run by PESSEN at Grange for the next two weeks. Please visit parent mail to sign up for the days you would like your child to attend!

#### Holiday homework

Please remember to read with your child over the holidays. Our wonderful librarians have asked that the children take a new book home for the holidays. Please make sure these books are looked after and returned after the break. We recommend reading for at least five minutes a day with your child. Please see the end of this letter for more holiday homework ideas!

#### Rewards assembly

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July we held our annual rewards assembly, well done to all of our winners for their achievements this year!

#### Thank you and Farewell

Unfortunately, at the end of the year there are always staff members who feel it is time to move on and spread their wings. This year we have three staff members that we have to say goodbye to. From the support staff team Miss Ifrah Osman will be leaving us to have her baby. We hope everything goes well and we wish her luck for the future. Miss Osman has been a huge support and help and we would like to thank her for all of her hard work!

Our school office will be losing a key member of the team, we would like to thank Miss Shada Jenkins for her hard work. Miss Jenkins has secured a full time post at an independent school. We are sure you will miss her smile and welcoming face in the mornings!

From the teaching team, we are sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Rachel Laurie. Miss Laurie will be beginning a new adventure at a local secondary school where she will be teaching drama. For those of you that know Miss Laurie, you will know how much this new position is suited to her and how excited we all are for her. Miss Laurie has been at Grange for the last five years and I would like to thank her for the memories she has made with the children, her commitment and hard work. Good luck on your future adventures!

Finally, I would like to wish you all a fantastic summer holiday. Stay safe and look after each other. Enjoy the rest and we will see you all promptly at **8.50am on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September!**

Rebecca



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# School Information

## Dates for the Diary

Friday, 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of term – <b>school closes at 2.00pm</b>
Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn term begins
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn term holiday homework and class letters sent home
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Half Term week
Tuesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2023	Secondary School: Online Applications close







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# Summer Activities In Southwark

### ART IN THE PARK

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A SERIES OF NATURE INSPIRED ART WORKSHOPS IN OUR STUDIO IN BURGESS PARK AND THE OUTDOOR SPACE SURROUNDING IT. THERE WILL BE TWO AT ACTIVITIES AT EVERY SESSION WHICH IS SUITABLE FOR BOTH ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL US.

SATURDAY'S 2-4PM

### One Hub

THINGS TO DO

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FIND ACTIVITIES ACROSS SOUTHWARK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

### LITTLE FISH THEATRE

FREE YEAR 6 LITTLE FISH THEATRE SUMMER PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHWARK CHILDREN 24TH JULY - 4TH AUG 2023 (MON-FRI) AT RYE OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD EMAIL: [info@littlefishtheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@littlefishtheatre.co.uk)



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### London Bubble

OUR PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-11 YEARS, USES THEATRE TO DEVELOP THEIR CREATIVE VOICES AND SHARE THEIR STORIES. WE DELIVER:

- SPEECH BUBBLES: DRAMA FOR COMMUNICATION INTERVENTION
- HOLIDAY AND HALF TERM PROJECTS
- PLAYING SAFE: A SERIOUS YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROJECT FOR YEAR 6
- RESPONSE COMMISSIONED PROJECTS



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### Volunteer Police Cadets

BE A CADET

DEVELOP YOUR VOLUNTEERING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE VPC. HAVE FUN, EXCITING EXPERIENCES AND LEARN ABOUT POLICING.

FAQ'S



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### HEALTHY EATING

SOUTHWARK'S FOOD AND FUN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 2023

FIND OUT ABOUT OUR SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN AGED FOUR TO 16 ON BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS, AND HOW TO SIGN UP.



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**MORE INFORMATION FOR TRANSITIONING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL.**

**ANNA FREUD**

**MOVING UP! THE TRANSITION  
TO SECONDARY SCHOOL**



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**SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S  
TRANSITION TO SECONDARY  
SCHOOL: GUIDANCE FOR  
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**YOUNG MINDS**

**SUPPORTING SCHOOL  
TRANSITIONS**





**Literacy  
Lab**

# Summer Fun Kit



**Here are some fun activities that you can do with your families  
over the summer holiday**

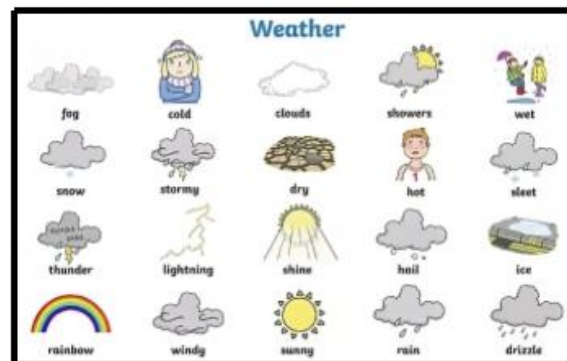


## Writing Activities

### Joseph Coelho's Poetry Prompts



<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-laureate/poetry-prompts/poetry-prompts-library/>  
Visit this website and Joseph Coelho will help you to write some amazing poems.



### Keep a weather diary

Record what the weather is like every day of the holiday. Use words and weather symbols.

### At the Supermarket

Ask your child to write a list of what shopping is needed. When you visit the supermarket, ask your child to help find the items. Read words on the signs, on packets. Children could also help with online shopping. Play *Supermarket Bingo*.

Flour	Milk	Apple	Eggs
Cereal	Cheese	Fish	Peas
Rice	Banana	Chicken	Yoghurt
Bread	Potato	Butter	Onion

Give your child a list and they have to find the items.

How many things can you find in the supermarket beginning with the letter 'b'?

### Design and write a postcard

Sending a postcard is a great opportunity to practice your child's writing skills over the holidays. Ask your child to draw a picture on the blank side of the postcard - it could be a drawing of your holiday, their favourite day or an illustration from a book. They can then write a message on the lined side explaining what they've drawn. Why not ask them to draw it for a family member or friend and then pop it in the post? Use this postcard template to get your child writing this summer.





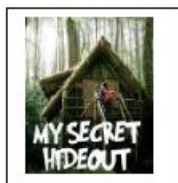


Take a trip to the park and go on a **minibeast safari**. Take an old spoon and a jam jar. Explore creatures around logs and trees. Identify each insect. Watch them move, describe how they look. Which is your favourite? Don't forget to put the creatures back where you found them.



### **Design a sandwich.**

Choose some different ingredients that you think will make a delicious sandwich. Make the sandwich and then write the recipe.



### **Build a secret hideout**

Find some old boxes, blankets, cushions, rugs. You could turn your hideout into a reading den. Or you could become a detective.

### **Create an A-Z scavenger hunt.**

Try to find something that starts with each letter of the alphabet. Hide each item and someone in your family has to find them, for example, L is for leaf, H is for hairbrush, A is for apple.



### **Get creative!**

Take a trip to the park and collect natural items that are on the ground to create a collage or a sculpture for example, leaves, petals, sticks etc. All you need is some glue!



Experiment with floating and sinking. Find lots of objects. Fill a bucket or a sink with water. Predict whether you think an object will float or sink then try it out.



## Talking Activities



Play "I spy with my little eye"  
Child finds something that  
they can see beginning with a  
certain letter or sound.



Play 20 questions. Adult  
chooses an object or a  
book or a place or a TV  
programme. The child has  
to ask questions in order  
to work out what it could  
be.

Take a "Picture Walk" with  
your child. Observe the  
surroundings. Keep stopping.  
Encourage your child to  
describe what they see, ask  
questions and discuss what  
they can see.



"I can see a big lake and the  
trees are reflected in the  
water."

### Would you rather?

Adult asks child a question e.g.  
"Would you rather meet a dragon  
or a dinosaur?"  
"Would you rather eat an apple or  
a banana?"  
"Would you rather go to the  
seaside or to the park?" The child  
states their preference but has to  
say, why, e.g. "

I would rather eat  
an apple because  
bananas are soft  
and mushy."

### Odd One Out

Name three objects. One will be the odd one out. Your child has to say  
which is the odd one out using the word 'because' e.g.

**train banana bus**

"Banana is the odd one out because train and bus are types of transport."

### Storytelling

Ask your child to tell you a story. It can be made up or  
they can retell a story that they know well. Read your  
child a story and then ask them to tell you the story  
just using the pictures.







### **Summer Reading Challenge**

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. You can do this online or you can sign up at your local library.

### **Authorfy 10 minute challenges**

<https://authorfy.com/10minutechallenges/>

Choose an author and they will give you a fun 10 minute activity to do. Amy Sparkes challenges you to create a magic doorway. Andy Sagar challenges you to create a cake or drink with magical Ingredients.

### **Storynory**

<https://www.storynory.com/>

Audio stories, fairy tales, stories from around the world online

### **Share a Story Corner**

[www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner](http://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner)

Stories to share with your child

### **Cbeebies**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories> Many stories to share.

### **National Geographic - if you're interested in non-fiction**

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/>