



Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Friday, 12th January 2024



A Message from our Headteacher

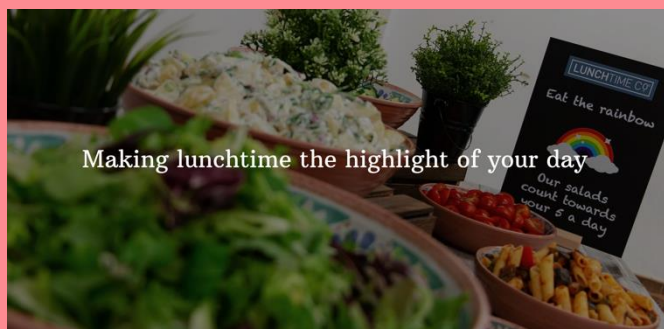
Dear Parents,
Happy New Year! It has been lovely to see you all this week and welcome the children back to school. We hope you enjoyed the break, are well rested and ready for a new term. We have a short but busy term ahead.

Homework and class newsletters

This term's homework and class newsletters will be sent out by Monday 15th January. Please make sure you read them carefully, PE times have changed and you will be able to find out about the topics your child will be studying this term.

Lunchtime

I am sure your children have told you about the fantastic lunches they have tasted this week. We are pleased to announce that the Lunchtime company have had a really successful week serving lunch to your children. Once they have fully settled in we will host some taster sessions for all of you! Please make sure you look at our menus on the school website!



Making lunchtime the highlight of your day

Reading Records

Reading with your child is the most important way you can help your child to learn at school. If your child can already read, listening to them read and encouraging them to read is as important. Studies show that children who are regularly read with/ listened to achieve higher results at the end of their primary career. To aid your child's reading we are asking that you read with/ listen to your child read each day for at least 10 minutes or for a sustained length of time during the weekend. Once you have done this please ensure you sign their reading diary so we can see you are reading with your child. If reading is not completed at home and diaries are not returned to school daily we will be calling to see how we can support you. To assist with reading at school your children are read with daily. Reading lessons take place and reading books are regularly changed. This term we also have a group of volunteer readers joining us to provide additional reading with the children.

Term events

This term we have several events to look forward to. In January, the children will be learning about Holocaust Memorial Day and taking part in National Storytelling Week. In February, we will celebrate Number Day, safer internet day and Mental Health Week. Please make sure you keep an eye out for information about these events.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend; and we will see you all on Monday at 8.50am.

Rebecca



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School Information

Attendance & Punctuality Class Winners of The Week



School Year Autumn Term	Class	%
Attendance KS1 Winner	Mars	95.7
Attendance KS2 Winner	Sky	91.7
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Planet Earth	99.2
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Galaxy	99.4
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality %	Attendance %
Venus	95.8	93.5
Earth	99.2	81.7
Mars	97.8	95.7
Jupiter	95.8	89.3
Galaxy	99.4	91.1
Supernova	95.6	95.6
Neptune	98.2	91.4
Pluto	97.1	81.8
Aurora	93.9	81.8
Sky	95.5	91.7
Whole school	96.9	89

Dates for the Diary

Important
DATE!

Monday, 15 th January	Class Newsletters and homework sent home
Saturday, 27 th January	Holocaust Memorial Day
Monday, 29 th January	Year 6 SATs meeting - Parent coffee morning
30 Jan – 6 th Feb	National Story Telling Week
Friday, 2 nd February	Number Day
Friday, 2 nd February	Early Years celebration morning – Number
WB: Monday, 5 th February	Mental Health Week
Tuesday, 6 th February	Phonics screening parent coffee morning 9.15am
Tuesday, 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday, 7 th February	Chinese New Year
Friday, 9 th February	Tutorial Day (parent meetings) -school closed for children
Half Term	Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February





Mathletics



Winning Class: **Supernova Class**
School's total points: **37,130**

House Winners

Tim Peake 	427
Stephanie Wilson 	439
Neil Armstrong 	352
Helen Sharman 	290
Bernard Harris 	380



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Word of the Week

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

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: evolve

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

When animals or plants evolve, they gradually change and develop into different forms.

Jake's understanding of fractions in maths evolved over the term.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
develop		-d	solve	music
progress		-s	involve	beliefs

Word Class
(verb)

Value of the Week

The value of the week this week was hope. Please take some time over the weekend to discuss this value with your children.

"Once you choose hope, anything is possible".



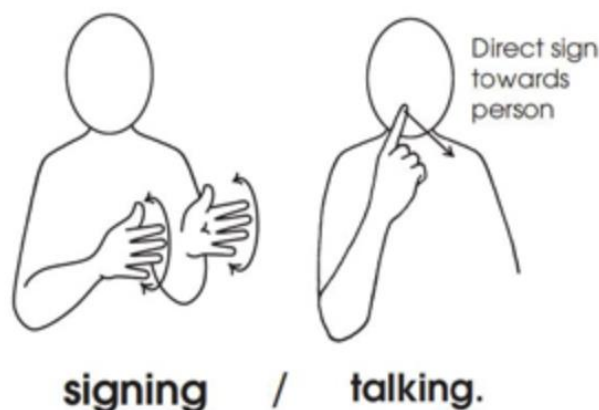
Attendance Ladder

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

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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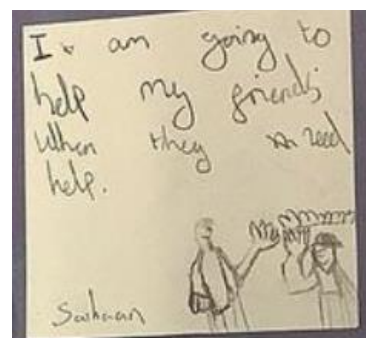
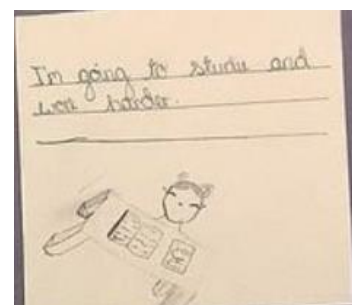
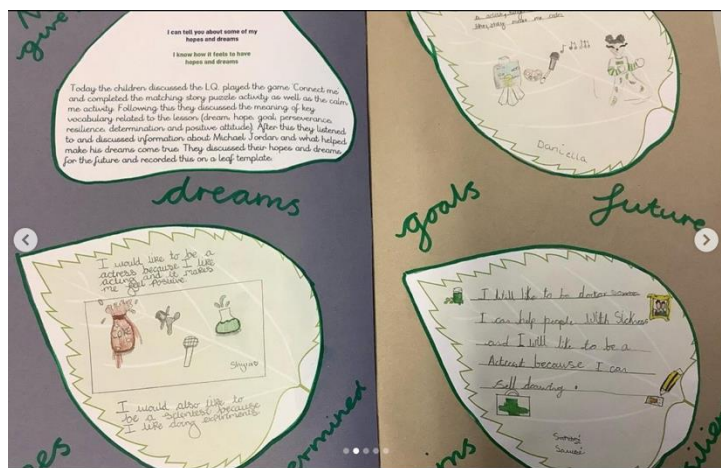
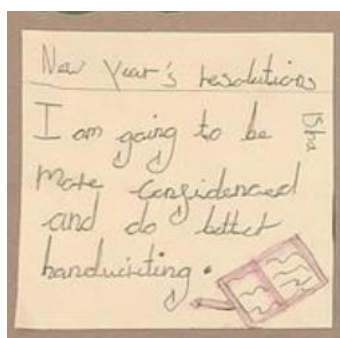
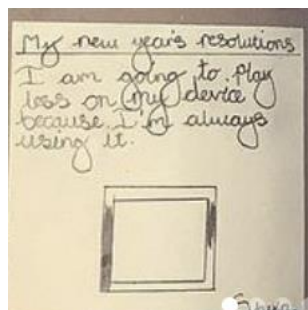
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Class Gallery

Year 4 – Supernova Class

Year 4 had an enjoyable start to the new term. They have been writing New Year's resolutions and enjoyed beginning their new topic in PSHE where they wrote their dreams and goals for the future on leaf templates.



Year 5 – Neptune and Pluto Class

This week in Pluto and Neptune visited the "Ragged School Museum" in East London. Here they learnt all about what life was like for a Victorian Child! It was a great trip to complete their Victorian topic.





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Rewards

Years 1 & 2

Core Value: **Hope**
Year 1 and Year 2

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
Venus	Leonique	For coming back after the holidays and keeping that hope for being better in reading and writing.
Planet Earth	Stacy	For being hopeful about his new year resolutions.
Mars	Safusa	For displaying hope and a great attitude towards her learning.

Class	Writer of the week	Reason
Venus	Hannan	For writing good describing sentences using commas and neat handwriting.
Planet Earth	Ejatu	For amazing effort in expanding noun phrases for her warning poster about a mysterious creature.
Mars	Nyima	For great use of noun phrases when describing an unknown creature.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
Venus	Imad	For independently sorting 3D shapes.
Planet Earth	Santana	For independently comparing money using the correct and accurate vocabulary.
Mars	Hana	For excellent effort when comparing amounts of money independently!

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
Venus	Alya	For reading with expression during our guided reading sessions.
Planet Earth	Parker	For challenging herself with new genres.
Mars	Alpha	For fluent reading aloud.



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Rewards

Years 3 to 6

Core Value: **Hope**
Years 3 to 6

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
JUPITER	Eimy-Sophia	For always being hopeful and showing wonderful enthusiasm towards learning.
GALAXY	Angel	For always being hopeful and showing fantastic enthusiasm towards his learning.
SUPERNOVA	Daniella	For being hopeful about the future when creating a New Year's resolution.
PLUTO	Huda	For thinking of others at all times and showing hope for people around her.
NEPTUNE	Hafsah	For displaying all of our school values during our trip to the Ragged museum this week.
AURORA	Ayaan	For making a lovely start to the year.
SKY	Derek	For having an excellent start back after the break.
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Azion	For his effort and contribution to writing across the week
GALAXY	Ololade	For showing great determination to produce fantastic writing.
SUPERNOVA	Mikael	Excellent effort when creating a newspaper report about Ernest Shackleton.
PLUTO	Oriana	For a brilliant effort writing relative clauses
NEPTUNE	Kiera-Carmel	For showing great writing using direct speech
AURORA	Justina	For her excellent prologue writing.
SKY	Quinten	For his excellent use of noun phrases this week.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Emmanuel	For an amazing effort in mathematics this week!
GALAXY	Rhema	For working really hard to solve problems about 9 and 7 times tables independently.
SUPERNOVA	Jamaldeen	Trying hard when solving problems about the 7 times table.
PLUTO	Bevelyn	For an amazing improvement and effort in multiplication!
NEPTUNE	Breyner	For showing a good understanding of column multiplication.
AURORA	Harry	For his excellent knowledge of fractions.
SKY	Ghilass	For trying hard with new concepts.

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Sabrina	For always bringing her reading record into school.
GALAXY	Alice	For working hard to read and sign her reading record everyday.
SUPERNOVA	Ayaaat	For trying hard to sign her reading record daily.
PLUTO	Rafael	For being an active listener when reading our class text
NEPTUNE	Sahar	For showing a focused attitude during 1:1 reading- you have already made great progress!
AURORA	Anisa	For always bringing her reading record into school.
SKY	Victoria	For reading consistently over the holidays.



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Parent/ Carer Information and Support

Happy Birthday to You!

First Name	Class	Age
Aisling	Planet Earth	7
Ayaat	Supernova	9
Kushaine	Sun (Star)	4
Victoria	Venus	6
Mariam	Galaxy	9
Emily	Pluto	10
Ben Ali	Pluto	10
Hafsa	Star	5
Anissa	Aurora	11
Knadia	Planet Earth	7
Alpha	Galaxy	9
Averii	Neptune	10
Yousef	Star	5
Liya	Neptune	10
Francis	Moon	5
Alfie	Aurora	11
Billion Mohamed	Moon	5
Anes	Galaxy	9
Sophia	Jupiter	8

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FAMILY



STUDIO

With artists Anna Paterson, Dunya Kalantery,
Habiba Nabisubi, Olivia Twist and Rhys Coren.

5th November, 3rd December, 14th January,
4th February, 3rd March, 7th April, 5th May,
2nd June, 7th July, 4th August

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