



Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Friday, 26th January 2024



A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have had a lovely week despite the windy weather! We only have two weeks left of this term. Many of the topics being studied will continue to be taught next term so homework for next term will be sent out a little later than usual to give you all time to work on current term projects!

National Storytelling Week

Next week is National Storytelling Week. As you know reading is vital to your child's development and a core focus here at Grange.

One of our librarians (Michelle) will be reading to all children next week during special library visits.

We would love for you to come in to tell a story, this can be a story from your culture, an extract from your favourite book or just to read a story from our reading corner to your child's class. If you would like to read to your child's class please liaise with your child's class teacher to organise a suitable time.

We have also launched a story writing competition across the school so please look out for the information about this!

Year 6 SATs Parent Workshop

On Monday 29th January at 9.15am Mr Jason Graham will be holding a meeting for parents for children in year 6. He will explain what happens during the week the statutory tests take place (SAT's), when they will take place, identify ways you can help your child prepare for these at home, show examples of questions the children will be asked and answer any questions you might have. It is really important you attend so that you can support your child further at school.

Number Day

On Friday 2nd February we will be celebrating National Number Day. Number Day is a fun day where we celebrate all things number. The children will have the opportunity to compete against other schools in a nationwide maths competition using their TTRS log in. Children will complete some fun number activities in class and we invite your child to dress in something related to a number. Please see the attached poster for more inspiration. In addition to this day our early years teachers will be holding a number day on Thursday 8th February at 9am, we can't wait for you to join in with your children learning all about number!

Taster Day

As you know our new catering team, The Lunchtime Company, have taken over the catering at Grange. The reports from the children have been really positive. So that you can experience the type of food your children have been eating we are inviting you to a taster day on Thursday 8th February towards the end of the school day, we will confirm a time next week.

Top Table

Last week our first group of children won a seat at the Top Table in the dinner hall. Each week children who show great table manners, are polite in the canteen, tidy their space and are generally well behaved in the lunch hall will be added to the Top Table list. On a Friday these children will receive juice with their lunch served in a fancy glass, a sticker, a specially laid table and an after-lunch treat. The Top Table helps encourage children to show great table manners!

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend and 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	Class	%
Autumn Term		
Attendance KS1 Winner	Planet Earth	98
Attendance KS2 Winner	Sky class	97.3
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Planet Earth	96.5
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Sky class	98.2
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality %	Attendance %
Venus	95.9	95.2
Earth	96.5	98
Mars	92.6	94.8
Jupiter	93.6	96.1
Galaxy	94.3	95
Supernova	93.8	91.7
Neptune	96.9	96.9
Pluto	95.6	92
Aurora	94.4	94.4
Sky	98.2	97.3
Whole school	95.1%	95%

Dates for the Diary

Important DATE!

27/01/24	Holocaust Memorial Day
29/01/24	Year 6 SATs meeting - Parent meeting 9.15am
30 Jan – 6 th Feb	National Story Telling Week
02/02/24	Number Day
01/02/24	Early Years celebration morning – Number
WB 05/2/24	Mental Health Week
06/02/24	Phonics Screening Parent Coffee Morning 9.15am
06/02/24	Safer Internet Day
07/02/24	Chinese New Year
08/02/24	Moon class visit to the Fire Station
09/02/24	Tutorial Day – school closed for children
Half Term	Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February








Mathletics



Winning Class: **Supernova Class**
School's total points: **40,660**

House Winners

Tim Peake 	934
Stephanie Wilson 	903
Neil Armstrong 	818
Helen Sharman 	813
Bernard Harris 	603



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Word of the Week

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

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:
Pronunciation / Syllables

hinder
(hin-der)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If something hinders you, it makes it more difficult for you to do something or make progress.



Jane didn't do her homework, which hindered her learning.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
hamper	help	-ed		progress
obstruct	facilitate	-ing		mobility

Value of the Week

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

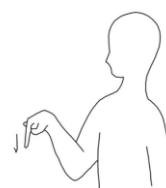
"A person is a person no matter how small".



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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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

Happy Birthday to You!

First Name	Class	Age
Aisha	Neptune	10
Ricco Jayden	Neptune	10
Alice	Galaxy	9
Ejatu	Planet Earth	7



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Class Gallery

Year 4 –Supernova Class

Year 4 have started their Tudor topic. Look at their fantastic Tudor portraits!



Year EYFS –Star Class

Nursery and Reception have been working hard this week to create their own rockets. They have used junk modelling and lots of sequins to make them sparkle.





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Rewards

Years 1 & 2

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
Venus	Suhaila	For always being kind and polite to the people around her.
Planet Earth	Rubie	For showing respect when sitting and moving around the classroom and school
Mars	Yana	For always showing respect to classmates and adults.

Class	Writer of the week	Reason
Venus	Darcie	For really trying hard writing her sentences this week and presentation of her book.
Planet Earth	Harry	For an excellent rewrite of the story the Journey home- using interesting adjectives and similes.
Mars	Enzo	For well written narrative based on The Journey Home!

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
Venus	Ka'Shaun	For having a 'can do' attitude in Maths
Planet Earth	Knadia	For excellent independent work when calculating change from a pound.
Mars	Leah	For working hard to compare different amounts of money!

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
Venus	Aila	Continuously pushing herself in reading.
Planet Earth	Ejatu	For answering comprehension questions really well
Mars	Abdul-Raheem	For trying really hard with unfamiliar sounds this week!



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Rewards

Years 3 to 6

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
JUPITER	Ava-Simone	For always being polite, respectful and kind to everyone around her.
GALAXY	Aisha	for always listening and following instructions!
SUPERNOVA	Isha	Being a respectful member of our class and following the classroom rules.
PLUTO	Ralphie	For always being a positive role model in our classroom.
NEPTUNE	Isata	For being a kind, thoughtful and respectful member of our class
AURORA	Edith	For being a kind and respectful member of our class
SKY	Quinten	For being a consistently respectful member of class.
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Amal	For a fantastic effort in his contrast writing. Well done for using the model to support your writing and including the correct success criteria.
GALAXY	Alpha	For writing an amazing winter poem this week.
SUPERNOVA	Shyla	Trying hard to use fronted adverbials in a setting description.
PLUTO	Franki	For an excellent narrative based on our model text!
NEPTUNE	Kayden	For writing a great build up paragraph in his journey story
AURORA	Anas	For his excellent use of progressive verbs
SKY	Nuraz	For his excellent work with sentence structure.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Sophia	For her independent work during timetable. Keep up the good work.
GALAXY	Alice	For trying really hard with her timetables
SUPERNOVA	Kgmosto	Becoming more confident in attempting to answer multiplication questions.
PLUTO	G'mari	For consistently showing resilience and effort towards maths work.
NEPTUNE	Celina	For showing great understanding during division and multiplication sessions
AURORA	Mia-Rae	For her excellent understanding of decimals
SKY	Rozzena	For showing great resilience when learning new skills.

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Scarlett	For bringing in her reading book this week and getting it signed by an adult. Well done!
GALAXY	Zeemah	For always reading at home, and getting her reading record signed.
SUPERNOVA	Daniel	For regularly signing his reading record.
PLUTO	Sana	For her incredible progress in reading throughout the year.
NEPTUNE	Kinglsey	For bringing in his reading book every day this week!
AURORA	Ayaan	For answering guided reading questions with great accuracy
SKY	Ayaan	For his great insight to our Guided Reading text.



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Parent/ Carer Information and Support



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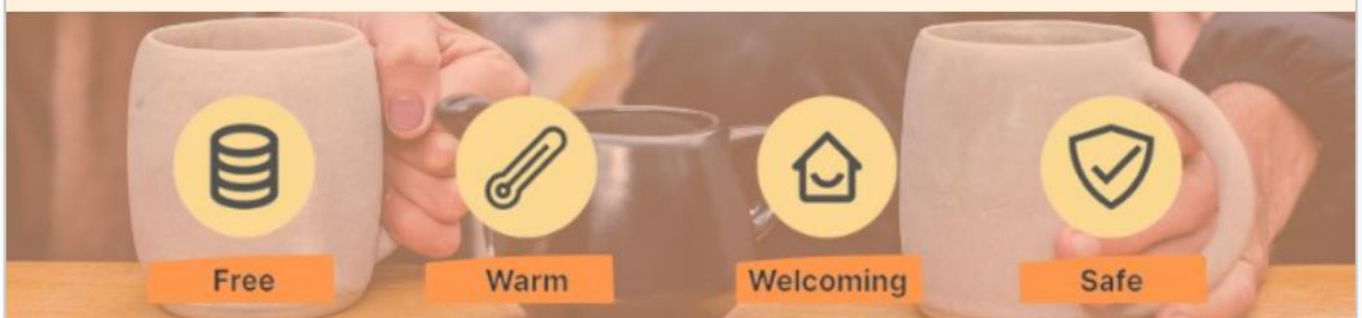
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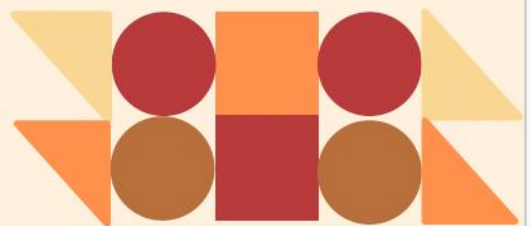
WE ARE A WARM WELCOME SPACE

FREE:
HOT DRINKS
PASTRIES
WIFI
SOUP
HOT SHOWERS

Open every Wednesday
from 10.30am -12.30pm



At Haddon Hall Baptist Church
22 Tower Bridge Road
SE1 4TR



SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

for young people

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosy around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos; this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Story Writing Competition



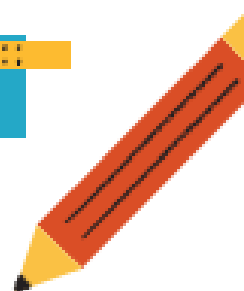
CAN YOU WRITE A GREAT STORY?
ANY THEME, BE AS IMAGINATIVE
AS YOU CAN!



HAND YOUR STORY TO THE
OFFICE WITH YOUR CLASS AND
NAME BY FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY



NSPCC Number Day



Join us in celebrating
Number Day on **Friday** the
2nd of February by dressing
up ALL things numbers!!!!

Come with numbers on you, as your TTR
(Times Table Rockstar avatar), a dice, a
number block, a ruler or a calculator... if is up
to you!

#numberday



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