



Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Friday, 28th February 2025



A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,
Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. I hope you all had a lovely week off with your children. Thanks to the parents who attended the recent tutorial day, it was great to see so many of you enjoying the time looking at the wonderful work your children have completed so far this academic year. We have a busy few weeks ahead so please keep an eye out for emails, texts and newsletters.

Reading Together Sessions

Thank you to the parents who have consistently attended our Reading Together sessions since September. From this term onwards we will be holding a reading celebration event each half term which will replace the weekly sessions. We will send more information about the celebration event nearer to the time so please look out for more information.

World Book Day

On Thursday 6th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. This year to help save costs we are asking that the children come dressed as a word! This means they can dress up in anything they choose – a colour, book character, adjective, animal an emotion, a noun ... During the day the children will be reading the text the "The Word Collector" by Peter H Reynolds and completing many fun and exciting activities based on the book. Look out for the class stories and many more book-based activities!

Oracy

During our recent Inset day we were fortunate to have some amazing training relating to speaking and listening. We were taught some great techniques to support and teach your children about communication. This week in class the children have created class listening charters using the word GRANGE. These have been submitted to the leadership team and we will choose the best charter to roll out across the school. Please encourage your children to talk about their day at school and ask them about the word of the week! Building your children's vocabulary is vital to their presentation skills and understanding.

Class Newsletters and Topic Homework

You will have received your topic homework and class newsletter today. Please try and help your child complete some of the activities at home during the term.

Online Safety Tip of the Week

Tuesday, 11th February was Safer Internet Day 2025! This is an international event where different organisations come together to share important messages about staying safe online. This year's theme was: 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online' which focused on scams online and how young people can protect themselves from them. In class the children talked about different scams they may experience – from unwanted pop-ups, promises of prizes, 'too-good-to-be-true' offers and unexpected friendship requests from strangers. The BBC have recorded an online lesson for 7-11 year olds if you wish to explore this year's theme further with your child:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zm9vwsg#zm9a3qt>

More parent information about talking to your child about scams, phishing and online purchases:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Internet-Matters-Tackling-online-scamsinteractive-guide-Feb-2023-2.pdf>

Secondary School Place Offer

On Monday you will receive an email informing you of your child's secondary school place. This can be a stressful time for families and children. Please be mindful that not all parents/ children will get their first choice. If you have not heard by Wednesday 5th please contact the school and we will see if we can support you.

Red Nose Day (Comic Relief)

Red Nose Day will be taking place on Friday 21st March 2025. We will be sending information out about events which will be taking place shortly to help raise funds for this charity. Before the event takes place, we have a limited number of the famous red noses which we will be selling for £2.50. If you would like to purchase a nose for the event please send your child to school with the cash.

Ramadan

Ramadan begins this Saturday. If your child is in Year 4, 5 or 6 and you wish for them to fast please complete the consent form which can be collected from the school office. Ramadan Kareem.

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:	Class	%
Spring Term		
Attendance KS1 Winner	Planet Earth	93.6
Attendance KS2 Winner	Sky	96.7
Rest of School		
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Mercury	99.4
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Neptune	97.9
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality %	Attendance%
Moon	98.8	95
Star	96.7	60
Venus	96.7	86.7
Mercury	99.4	88.3
Earth	97.5	93.6
Jupiter	95.0	91.4
Saturn	94.3	86.2
Galaxy	96.6	94.5
Neptune	97.9	91.7
Pluto	97.1	96.1
Aurora	97.7	95.8
Sky	97.1	96.7
Total Weekly Attendance:		90%

Dates for the Diary



28/02/25	Class newsletters and topic homework to be sent to parents
01/03/25	Ramadan begins
01/03/25	St Davids Day
04/03/25	Phonics screening meeting for parents of Year 1 pupils 9.05am
06/03/25	World Book Day - children to dress up as a word!
WB 10/03/25	Science Week - CHANGE AND ADAPT
17/03/25	St Patricks Day
21/03/25	Red Nose Day

House Winners

Tim PEAKE 	469
Stephanie WILSON 	408
Neil ARMSTRONG 	503
Helen SHARMAN 	541
Bernard HARRIS 	437

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



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Word of the Week


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

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: gnarled **Word Class** (adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables: (gnarled)

Definition:
A gnarled tree is twisted and strangely shaped because it is old.



Ms Gent pointed to the gnarled roots in the plant pot.

Synonym: wrinkled, contorted
Antonym: straight, unbent
Prefix / Suffix:
Rhyme:
Link Word: deeply, severely

Value of the Week

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

"If you truly love nature you will find beauty everywhere" (unknown)



Happy Birthday to You!

First Name	Class	Age
Erick	Sky	11
Isabelle	Galaxy	9
Joey	Planet Earth	7
Amal	Galaxy	9
Isabella	Jupiter	8
Sanusi	Pluto	10
Luqman	Sky	11
Suleman	Saturn	8
Youcef	Star	5
Jenai	Aurora	11

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.

My



Mathletics



Winning Class: **Pluto Class**
School's total points: **27,590**



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Class Gallery

Year EYFS – Star and Moon Class

Star and Moon Class have enjoyed the start of their new topic "people who help us". They have particularly loved their new role play areas this week and have enjoyed making people and pets well again!



Year 4 –Galaxy Class

It has been wonderful to see all of the new topic displays this week. Well done to year 4 for their fantastic Tudor display!





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Rewards

Years EYFS, 1 & 2

Core Value: **Love**
EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
Venus	Aaliyah	For praising her class friends when they have done something well.
Mercury	Amelia	For always showing so much love and care towards her peers.
Planet Earth	Darcie	For being so helpful to all adults and peers.

Class	Writer of the week	Reason
Venus	Ibrahim	For describing the hats in the class.
Mercury	Jalaiyah	For her independent writing and then reading it aloud to an adult.
Planet Earth	Karim	For great use of conjunctions to help him form complex sentences that flow freely.

Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
Venus	Khadijah	For being brave showing part-part whole to the class.
Mercury	Eva	For independently creating her subtraction 'first, then, now' stories.
Planet Earth	Victoria	For excellent effort when adding equal groups this week

Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
Venus	Yousef	For showing confidence with his reading.
Mercury	Billion	For his fabulous fluency in his reading
Planet Earth	Jake	For excellent fluency in his reading this week.



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Rewards

Years 3 to 6

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
JUPITER	Kylie	For her effort when learning and her love for learning something for the first time.
SATURN	Enzo	For showing a great love and enthusiasm towards his learning!
GALAXY	Ava-Simone	For always caring for everyone around her.
PLUTO	Zeemah	For always being a kind and considerate classmate.
NEPTUNE	Madina	For always being kind and helpful to her classmates.
AURORA	Jenai	For her fantastic behaviour this week.
SKY	Manzour	For a fantastic improvement in his behaviour and focus in the classroom.
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Chanel	For her brilliant Viking Diary published work.
SATURN	Samyra	For her thoughtful questioning in English lessons.
GALAXY	Eimy-Sophia	For thinking about her sentence structures before writing it down.
PLUTO	Nahome	For working hard to publish his science fiction narrative.
NEPTUNE	Isha	For using passive voice in her descriptive writing this week.
AURORA	Bevelyn	For writing with much improved accuracy.
SKY	Aisha	For excellent effort in using colons in a list and for an explanation.
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Sheriffdeen	For his super fraction's knowledge.
SATURN	Knadia	For fantastic work with unit and non-unit fractions.
GALAXY	Scarlett	For great understanding of multiplying by partitioning.
PLUTO	Jorge	For working hard in multiplying fractions this week.
NEPTUNE	Ayaat	For excellent multiplication of her fractions this week.
AURORA	Orinta	For her excellent work on types of measurements.
SKY	Anas	Excellent effort in using and converting different types of measurements.
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Woomy	For his growing confidence in reading.
SATURN	Betsie	For excellent effort in filling her reading record.
GALAXY	Muhammed	For always reading whenever he gets the chance in school.
PLUTO	Samson	For working hard to find key words in the text.
NEPTUNE	Saihaan	For reading confidently during guided reading lessons.
AURORA	Isata	For reading clearly with great expression
SKY	Ali	Excellent progress in reading and becoming much more fluent.



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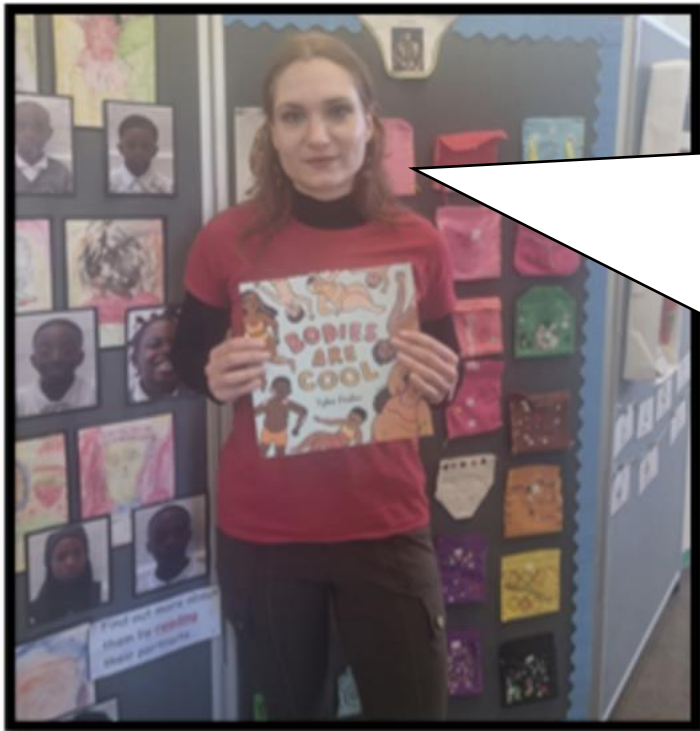
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Parent/ Carer Information and Support

In an effort to encourage reading for pleasure each week one of our staff members will share their favourite children's book. This book will then be available for children to borrow to see if they enjoy reading it also. This week Miss Ellie has chosen one of their favourite books to share in assembly.

Favourite book Friday!!



My chosen book is "Bodies are Cool" by Tyler Feder. I love this book because it encourages confidence and the acceptance of different bodies, while it is also fun to read with all its appealing illustrations.

I would recommend this book to any age as it is inclusive to all and the pictures are bold and vibrant too.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 6th
March
2025

Help us celebrate World Book Day
at Grange by dressing up as a



WORD!



Come dressed as a **colour**, an **emotion**,
an **adjective**, an **animal**, a **character**...

ANYTHING AT ALL!

We will be doing lots of activities based around the book
'The Word Collector.' We will collect all of the words from
children at Grange and write some stories and poetry
throughout the day.

*The Word Collector is about a little boy discovers the magic of the words
all around him -- short and sweet words, complicated words, words that
stand out. But one day his carefully curated collection of words gets messy,
and that's when Jerome discovers that words that connect, transform and
empower.... We will do the same at Grange!*



Missed your flu vaccine?

**Live or attend school in the boroughs of
Lambeth or Southwark? Aged 2-19?**

Come down to a flu catch-up clinic and
protect yourself this winter!

Saturday 8 March, 10:15 - 14:00
1st Place Family Hub, SE5 0RN

Saturday 15 March, 10:00 - 14:00
Longfield Hall, SE5 9QY

Saturday 22 March, 10:15 - 14:00
1st Place Family Hub, SE5 0RN

Saturday 29 March, 10:00 - 14:00
Longfield Hall, SE5 9QY

**Our clinics are walk-in, so no need to book
an appointment.**

Call 020 8614 5495 for more information



**INTERNATIONAL
WOMEN'S DAY EVENT
(INTERGENERATIONAL)**

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S DIVERSITY -OUR STORIES!

**SATURDAY 8TH MARCH 2025
TIME: 11AM - 4PM**

**VENUE: THE APPLEBY BLUE ALMS
HOUSE 94 -116 SOUTHWARK PARK ROAD
LONDON SE16 3RR (OPPOSITE AGE CONCERN UK)
REVERDY BUS STOP**

**Activities: Arts and crafts, Massage ,
Poetry, Dance, Food and more!**

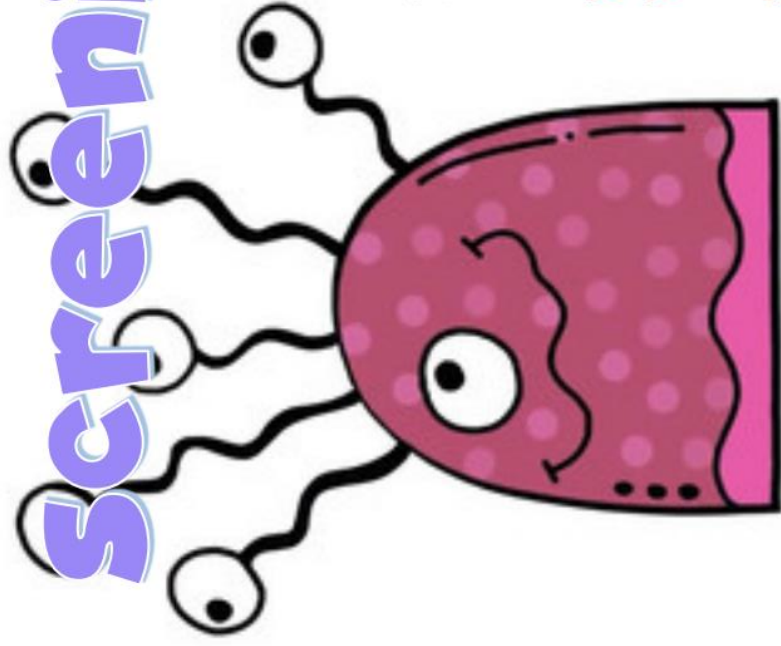
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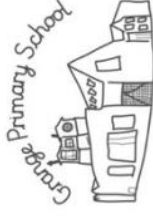
Come and celebrate your child's

**phonics journey by playing games with
your child and learning what you can do**

at home to help!

**When: Tuesday 4th March
Where: Albert McKenzie Hall**

Time 9.05am



Class Charitable Event

As part of their PSHE curriculum learning, on Monday after school Year 6 will be selling crisps, cakes, lemonade and hot chocolate to raise money for UNICEF and Cancer Research.

Please bring some small change to support these charities.

Thank you from the Y6 team.