



Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Friday, 12th September 2025



A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have had a lovely week. The children have started their new topics and are settling well into their new classes. This week we welcomed back our nursery children and said hello to some new starters. Next week is assessment week, children from Reception to Year 6 will sit baseline assessment tests. These assessments will help your child's class teacher ensure they are given work at the correct level.

Attendance

Please remember it is your legal duty as a parent to ensure your child attends school daily. It is tempting with rising living costs to take your child out of school for holidays or outings, however this can result in statutory fines and involvement from Family Early Help. Please ensure you report any absences to the office before 9am to make sure they are reported in line with our absence reporting system. Absence will be listed on your child's school report both before we break for the winter holiday in December and again in July. If your child's attendance falls below 90% you will receive a letter regarding absence and in some cases, you will be invited to meet myself and/or the local authority to discuss ways in which we can support you with attendance for the upcoming year.

Harvest Food Collection

We will be supporting local food banks this year by collecting dried and tinned foods, toiletries and baby products. Each class will be provided with a collection box, they will be encouraged to fill their class box. Classes who collect the most items will win a prize so please help them to bring in a few items for the class collection!

PE Kits

Well done to all the children who brought the correct PE kit to school this week. Failure to do this can result in a detention so we are asking that you help your child by ensuring they have blue or black bottoms, a plain white t-shirt and trainers for their lesson.

School Council

This week the children in classes from year 2 -6 voted for their class school councillor. School councillors have an important job to do at our school. They meet each half term to discuss improvements they wish to make to our school, raise vital funds for school improvement and suggest ways to keep the curriculum exciting and engaging. This week in our celebration assembly the children were awarded with their school council badge. Congratulations to the following children;

Year 2 – Khadijah and Hunter

Year 3 – Victoria

Year 4 – Parker and Samyra

Year 5 – Mohammed

Year 6 – Todderic and Cheryl

Thank you and Good Luck

As I informed you all last week, Miss Mary Phillip sadly left us today. We hope you will help us in wishing Mary all the luck and thanks for her service to the school and your children over the last nine years. I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank Mary for all she has done for your children and our school. She will be hugely missed but we wish Mary the best of luck in her new role.

Parent Workshops

Thanks to all of the parents for attending the meet the teacher sessions this week. Next Friday we would like to welcome our early years parents to an afternoon workshop to learn all about home reading and our read together parent sessions. The meeting will be held in the Albert McKenzie Hall at **2.45pm on FRIDAY 19TH September.**

Online Safety Tip of the Week

It is important that we keep up with technology especially in order to help keep our children safe. Research shows that involving parents and carers in a child's digital journey increases the impact of online safety education, helps children thrive online, alleviates parental concerns. We will be running some online safety parent workshops later in the year but until then please see details for a free online safety webinar. Did you know 76% of children have shared an inappropriate image online and 30% of 5-7 year olds have a social media account.

<https://natterhub.com/online-safety-parent-workshop>

Late Collection

From Monday 15th September we will be charging for any child that is collected late. A £5 on the spot charge will be required if you are late to collect your child between 3.35pm and 3.45pm. A further charge of £1 will be added each minute for any child collected after 3.45pm. The school is no longer responsible for after school club. If you need to book your child into after school club please register them using the link below <https://grange.southwark.sch.uk/breakfast-after-school-clubs/>

Parent Communication

We will be sending most of our letters via **ARBOR** please make sure you have registered and check the app regularly. Please turn on push notifications as we will use this more to alert you to items in your inbox.

We hope you have a great weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week. See you on Monday at **8.50am.**

Rebecca



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School Information

Attendance & Punctuality

Autumn Term Attendance



School year: Summer Term	Class	%
Attendance KS1 Winner	Mars	93.4%
Attendance KS2 Winner	Supernova	99.4%
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Venus	98.3%
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Jupiter	98.1%
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality %	Attendance%
Moon	96.8	96.8
Star	96.9	100
Venus	98.3	85.8
Mars	97.1	93.4
Planet Earth	97.2	93.1
Jupiter	98.1	88.4
Galaxy	97.6	94.0
Supernova	94.9	99.4
Neptune	97.5	90.4
Aurora	97.3	88.4
Sky	97.6	93.8
Weekly attendance:		92.2%

Dates for the Diary

Important
DATE!

15/09/25	Reception baseline assessments
15/09/25	Assessment baseline week – whole school
19/09/25	Nursery and Reception – reading together coffee afternoon – 2.45pm Albert McKenzie Hall
26/09/25	SEND parent coffee morning 9am Middle Hall
26/09/25	Yr 1 and 2 – reading together coffee afternoon – 2.45pm Albert McKenzie Hall
26/09/25	National Teaching Assistant day
29/09/25	Parent reading together sessions begin for all parents 3.10 – 3.25
30/09/25	Individual pupil photos
01/10/25 – 31/10/25	Black History Month
02/10/25	National Poetry Day
05/10/25	World Teachers Day
06/10/25	Nursery REAL homestart parent session
06/10/25	Yr 3 and 4 – reading parent workshop –9.15am Albert McKenzie Hall
07/10/25	Yr 5 and 6 – reading parent workshop –9.15am Albert McKenzie Hall
08/10/25	Year 6 residential meeting
13/10/25 – 15/10/25	Year 6 residential
22/10/25 & 23/10/25	Parents evening
24/10/25	Big Draw art event
27 th October – 31 st October	Half term
03/11/25	First day back for staff and children Autumn 2

Autumn Term House Winners

Tim PEAKE		331
Stephanie WILSON		324
Neil ARMSTRONG		441
Helen SHARMAN		444
Bernard HARRIS		461



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Word of the Week

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

Shinobi Word of the Day

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

Pronunciation / Syllables (in-clu-sive)

Definition:

If you describe a group or organisation as inclusive, you mean that it allows all kinds of people to belong to it, rather than just one kind of person.

Mrs Jones made sure her classroom was an inclusive place.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
overall	exclusive	-ly	elusive	fully
full	narrow		allusive	socially

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.

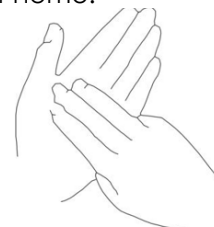
"Hope is the last thing ever lost" (Italian Proverb)



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.

Mum



Happy Birthday to You!



First Name	Age	Class
Aya	Neptune	10
Cheryl	Sky	11
Muhammad	Star	5
Niyaz	Star	5
Christina	Star	5



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



Mathletics



Winning Class: **Supernova Class**

School's total points: **25,110**



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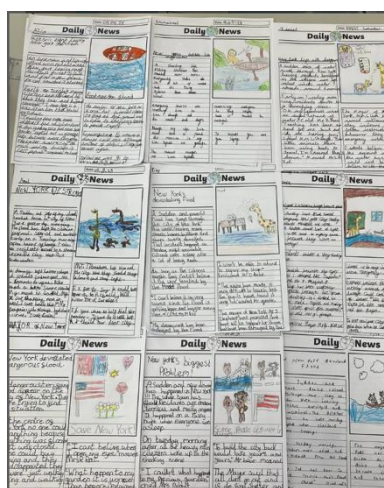
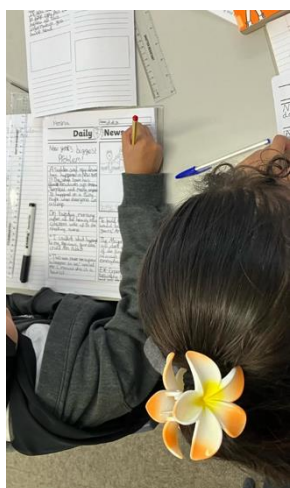
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Class Gallery

Year 5 –Neptune Class

Year 5 Neptune class have been busy publishing their newspaper articles about a flood in New York, having read the picture book "Flooded".



Year 2 – Earth Class

Earth class had an amazing time exploring the continents and oceans of the planet. We followed clues to label our world map!!





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Rewards

Years EYFS, 1 & 2

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
VENUS	Nyren	For having a can-do attitude with his learning
EARTH	Isata	For always showing a positive attitude, even when things are challenging.
MARS	Ifza	For showing such a positive attitude towards her learning in year 2, even if it's tricky!
Class	Writer of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Andre	For writing initial sounds in his writing
EARTH	Journi	For showing great perseverance in improving her writing.
MARS	Hunter	For always trying his best to improve his work and making it even better
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Shahinaz	For her estimation and reasoning in place value.
EARTH	Nkateko	For explaining his mathematical thinking clearly to others.
MARS	Khadijah	For applying the maths skills she learnt in Year 1 to her Year 2 learning
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
VENUS	Luna	For her resilience with reading new words.
EARTH	Peace	For showing a real love for reading and always choosing books that challenge her.
MARS	Manel	For her beautiful expression when reading



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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	Victoria	For always persevering even when facing a challenge
GALAXY	Ainhua	For settling into year 4 smoothly!
SUPERNOVA	Ubaydah	For collaborating and working well with others!
NEPTUNE	Ebrahim	For always trying his best and being very helpful.
AURORA	Jayson	For always trying his best.
SKY	Isha	Pushing herself even when faced with a challenge
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Joey	For his brilliant persuasive letter.
SUPERNOVA	Safura	For writing an excellent speech
GALAXY	Lake	For an amazing diary entry!
NEPTUNE	Jannat	For fantastic presentation and excellent use of questions.
AURORA	Daniel	For writing a brilliant newspaper article.
SKY	Shyla	For a great account of the book "The Arrival"
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Aila	For her good understanding of place value and using different strategies to help her.
GALAXY	Suleman	For some great work on place value!
SUPERNOVA	Zane	For excellent problem solving
NEPTUNE	David A	For trying his best to recognise the place value of 6-digit numbers.
AURORA	Mohammed	For solving problems with great accuracy
SKY	Mark-Aurel	For great work and great effort when working on place value
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Gift	For her beautiful reading and brilliant answers.
GALAXY	Sherlyn	For reading at home consistently!
SUPERNOVA	Kylie	for confidently reading her speech aloud to the class.
NEPTUNE	Charlotte-Rose	For excellent effort in reading regularly.
AURORA	Jamaldeen	For his answers during whole class discussions
SKY	Jhulian	For using great intonation when reading a book



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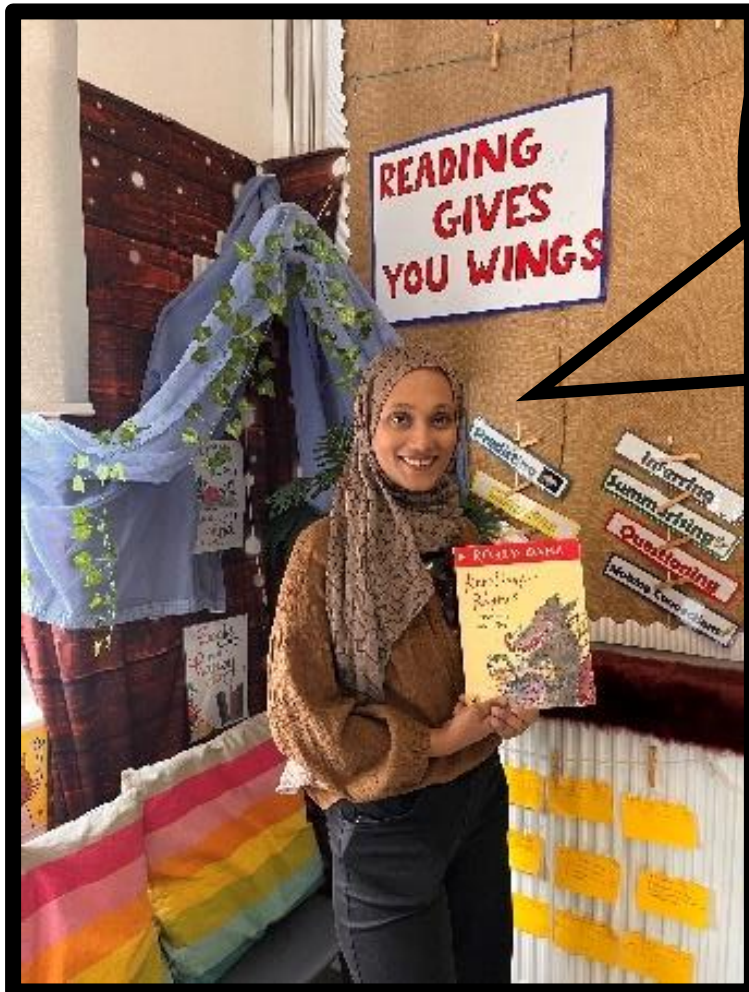
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Parent/ Carer Information and Support

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.



Revolting Rhymes is my favourite Roald Dahl book because it takes classic fairy tales and twists them in funny, clever, and unexpected ways. Quentin Blake's illustrations bring the characters to life and it's a book that always makes me laugh, no matter how many times I read it.

Mrs Rahman, Year 4

We use the parent app **ARBOR** to communicate with our families.

Please make sure you register with the school on **ARBOR** to receive information from the school as we are reducing the amount of paper documents we send out to families.

Letters for clubs and trips and consent forms will be sent via **ARBOR** so please check the app and emails regularly for these and other updates including the weekly newsletter and to book parent/teacher meetings when these are being held.

You should allow 'push notifications' when you set up the app as we will use this to help alert you to new items in your inbox.

Thank you.

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