



# Weekly Newsletter

## Spring Term 2

Friday, 6th March 2026



### A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

What a lovely week we have had at Grange. We have welcomed the sun this week and finally said goodbye to the rain (well for at least a few days). This week the senior leadership team have had the pleasure to look at writing across the school. It has been fantastic to see such talkative lessons, watching the children practising their oracy skills. Next week we will continue to look at English focussing on writing outcomes in the children's exercise books.

### World Book Day

Well done to everyone for the amazing costumes and creativity shown on Thursday. Thanks to Miss Amanda Matheson for her organisation with this. The children had a great day investigating books.

### October Half Term Consultation

All families MUST complete the survey about the October Consultation. As part of our ongoing work to review the school calendar, we are seeking your views on a proposed change to the October half-term break from the next academic year (from the academic year 2026/2027 onwards). We are currently consulting with both staff and families and would be very grateful for your views. Please take a few moments to complete our short online consultation form by 9am, **Monday, 9<sup>th</sup>**

**March 2026.** Feedback form:

<https://forms.gle/AxWHkrgoT9AakxZr7>



### Secondary School Place Offer

Congratulations to the many children in Year 6 for securing a school place for next year. If you are not happy with your offered space you must contact school admissions. 020 7525 5337

[schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk)

to appeal the decision.

### Online Safety Tip of the Week

Child Friendly Search Engines:

When children are searching on the internet, there are times when they may be exposed to inappropriate content. It is important to remind children what to do if they see something that makes them worried, upset or scared. Let them know that if they see something that makes them feel like this, they should close the page down or turn the device over, then let an adult know what they have seen. Alternatively, if there is a device that your child uses often, you can get them to use a child-friendly search engine. There are several different ones, but here are two you could try:

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

<https://www.kiddle.co/>

### Red Nose Day (Comic Relief)

Red Nose Day will be taking place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026. We will be asking pupils to dress in Red for the day and donate to charity.

Don't forget to grab your red nose before the event takes place. We will be selling the famous red noses for £2.00 each day after school, we have a limited number so get in early. Please bring the right money with you as we don't keep cash in school so its difficult to give change for large notes.

### Labelling jumpers

As the weather warms up, children remove jumpers. Please help us help your children by labelling their clothes. This makes finding jumpers easier.

**A 'thank you' shout out** to the parents who so very kindly helped get our new fridge upstairs to the middle floor yesterday, much appreciated!

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend, and we will see you all on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup>** March at 8.50am.

Rebecca



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# School Information

## Attendance & Punctuality

### Spring Term Attendance



School year: Spring Term	Class	%
Attendance KS1 Winner	<b>Venus</b>	<b>98.7%</b>
Attendance KS2 Winner	<b>Aurora</b>	<b>98.7%</b>
KS1 Punctuality Winner	<b>Planet Earth</b>	<b>98.2%</b>
KS2 Punctuality Winner	<b>Sky</b>	<b>98.1%</b>
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality %	Attendance%
Moon	91.7	100
Star	89.6	95.8
Venus	94.0	98.7
Mars	94.4	89.6
Planet Earth	98.2	94.0
Jupiter	96.1	95.7
Galaxy	96.7	92.4
Supernova	96.5	97.2
Neptune	96.6	94.8
Aurora	95.5	98.7
Sky	98.1	96.3
Weekly attendance:		<b>95.3%</b>

## Dates for the Diary

Important  
DATE!

WB 09/03/26	DT COOKING WEEK
WB 16/03/26	Assessment week
WB 16/03/26	Science Week
20/03/26	Red Nose Day
WB 23/03/26	Shakespeare Week
25/03/26	SEND coffee morning
26/03/26	House winners trip
27/03/26	Last Day of term 2pm finish
30 <sup>th</sup> March - 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday

## House Winners

<b>Tim PEAKE</b>		<b>488</b>
<b>Stephanie WILSON</b>		<b>482</b>
<b>Neil ARMSTRONG</b>		<b>559</b>
<b>Helen SHARMAN</b>		<b>519</b>
<b>Bernard HARRIS</b>		<b>684</b>

## Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	<b>100%</b>	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	<b>99%</b>	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	<b>97%</b>	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	<b>95%</b>	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	<b>90%</b>	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	<b>85%</b>	Very Concerned



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#### Word of the Week

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

#### Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: **adjacent** Word Class (adjective)  
 Pronunciation / Syllables: (ad-ja-cent)

#### Definition:

If one thing is adjacent to another, the two things are next to each other.



Samiha always had her pencil **adjacent** to her ruler.

<b>Synonym:</b>	<b>Antonym:</b>	<b>Prefix / Suffix:</b>	<b>Rhyme:</b>	<b>Link Word:</b>
near to	distant from	non-	complacent	directly
beside	remote from	-ly	patient	physically

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

**"Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future"**



### Happy Birthday to You!

Name	Class	Age
James	Star	5
Yana	Supernova	9
Anabia	Venus	6
Amal	Neptune	10



#### 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.



**Book**



**Mathletics**



Winning Class: **Aurora Class**  
 School's total points: **91,210**



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## Class Gallery

World Book Day!  
Can you guess the compound words?



### Year 3 – Jupiter Class

Year 3 learned about the main types of mountains to create an informative poster before mastering the skill of drawing with charcoal to create these amazing mountain landscapes





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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	Carmen	For demonstrating hope by staying positive and looking forward to improving her work.
EARTH	Aria	For always having a positive attitude even when work is tricky
MARS	Mars class	For beginning to say 'good game' or 'well done' to others when they lose a game
Class	Writer of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Issah	For working really hard in his writing and give good ideas.
EARTH	Peace	For an excellence use of prefixes in her letter of advice
MARS	Amelia	For fabulous ideas in her writing this week - wow!
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Anabia	For ordering numbers within 20.
EARTH	Nkateko	For fantastic oracy skills when reasoning
MARS	Ifza	For applying her maths skills through her reasoning
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
VENUS	Lorenzo	For super reading and moving up a book level.
EARTH	Ibrahim	For amazing effort in his fluency
MARS	Grace	For using her reading skills to learn new things



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## Years 3 to 6

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
JUPITER	Alya	For always having a positive and hopeful attitude to learning new things.
GALAXY	Yalldah	Always putting in her best efforts, especially with her reading!
SUPERNOVA	Yarran	For always striving to do her best in her learning
NEPTUNE	Liam	For an improvement on focus In the classroom.
AURORA	Alina	For always giving 100%!
SKY	Jhullian	Always trying hard in everything he does
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Harley	For his brilliant multiclaue sentences using conjunctions.
SUPERNOVA	Parker	For writing a great blurb for 'The Baker by The Sea'
GALAXY	Nyima	For a great poem in English!
NEPTUNE	George	For a fantastic persuasive letter.
AURORA	Valentine	For his excellent use of complex vocabulary
SKY	Daniella	For a great diary entry
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Gift	For her improved effort in maths.
GALAXY	Rubie	For great work on perimeter!
SUPERNOVA	Ubaydah	for working hard to find the perimeter of polygons.
NEPTUNE	Kamil	Excellent effort when multiplying a 4 digit by a 2 digit number.
AURORA	Anes	For his excellent work on co-ordinates
SKY	Slawnos	Great work on translation
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Henry	For his improved effort in reading.
GALAXY	Enzo	For excellent participation in our guided reading lessons!
SUPERNOVA	Santana	for thoughtfully answering questions about 'Norse Myths'
NEPTUNE	Scarlett	For being an enthusiastic reader.
AURORA	Ololade	For her excellent points during a whole-class debate
SKY	Shyla	Using evidence to support her answer



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# Parent/ Carer Information and Support

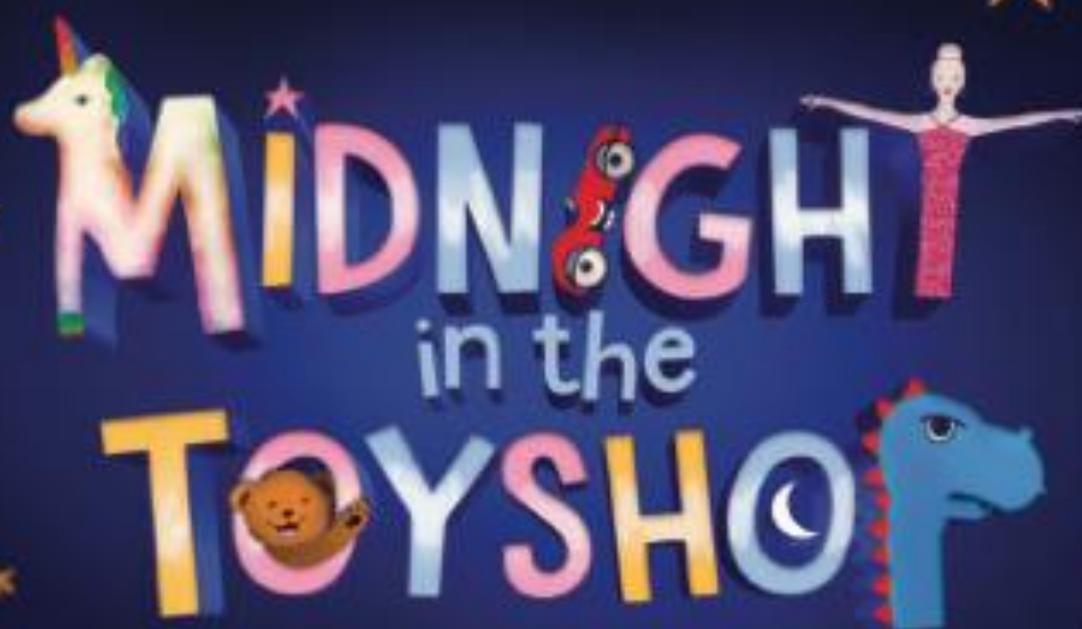
**Bermondsey & Rotherhithe Locality**  
 South Bermondsey, Rotherhithe, Ellen Brown & Pilgrims' Way

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Toilet Training Workshop</b>            15 months +            10:00am – 11:30am            South Bermondsey            9th March 2026</p> <p>For more details and to book a place please email <a href="mailto:familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk">familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Chattertime</b>            1 year – 5 years            10:00am – 11:30am            South Bermondsey</p> <p><b>26th February and every Tuesday until 24th March 2026</b></p> <p>Meet a speech and language therapist and practice general communication strategies with your child.</p>	<p><b>Southwark Housing Advice Clinic</b>            9:00am – 4:00pm            South Bermondsey            11th March 2026</p> <p>For more details and to book a place please email <a href="mailto:familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk">familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Melodies for Mums</b>            0 – 9 months            1:30pm – 2:50pm and            3:15pm – 4:30pm            South Bermondsey</p> <p><b>29th January 2026 – 2nd April 2026</b></p> <p>Free weekly group singing sessions for new mothers (and their babies) to boost emotional and mental wellbeing.</p> <p>Email to join group or for more information: <a href="mailto:melodies@breatheathr.org">melodies@breatheathr.org</a>            0203 290 2013</p>	<p><b>"Going Back Strong"</b>            Parents returning to work following maternity/paternity leave may like to explore with professionals some tips and guidance for smooth and supportive transition.</p> <p><b>10:00am – 12:00 noon</b>            South Bermondsey            20th March 2026</p> <p><b>BOOKING NOT REQUIRED</b></p> <p><b>Best Start in Life Campaign Community Session</b>            10:00am – 12:00 noon            South Bermondsey            27th March 2026</p> <p>With lunch provided. Join us for your chance to ask questions, share experiences and let us know what you need from the Best Start in Life Hubs!</p>
	<p><b>Welcome to Parenthood Support Group</b>            1:00pm – 3:00pm            South Bermondsey            (booking ONLY)</p> <p>Dates to be confirmed.</p> <p>Email to book your place <a href="mailto:familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk">familhub@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Family Community Work Coaching</b></p> <p>Email Aaron Lambert for more information</p> <p><a href="mailto:Aaron.lambert@dwp.gov.uk">Aaron.lambert@dwp.gov.uk</a></p>		<p><b>Starting Solids Workshop Henry Programme</b>            10:00am – 12 noon            South Bermondsey            3rd March 2026</p> <p>To book or more details for Starting Solids Workshop and Fussy Eating Workshops please email below  <a href="mailto:gst-h.hvsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net">gst-h.hvsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net</a></p>



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