



Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Friday, 2nd October 2026



A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week of learning at Grange. This week Miss Matheson and I visited nearly every class across the school to look at maths books, watch some maths lessons and join in with some learning. It was great to see how well the children can discuss their understanding with each other and the adults.

Next week we will be visiting early years to see how well our newest pupils are settling into their learning routines and lessons.

Ofsted Inspection – Clubs Complete

On Monday 5th October Ofsted the school inspection team will be visiting our afterschool club provider Clubs Complete. This inspection will start at 2.30pm. The inspection team will mainly focus on the provision at after school club but they will be on site and might speak with some of your children. We ask that you are prompt to collect your children on Monday so that the playground can be opened on time for the after school club to begin. Children who attend gymnastic and dance club will be dismissed from the main school office. We kindly request that bikes and scooters for these pupils are left at home this week. Thanks for your cooperation.

Book Fair

Thanks to all of the parents for supporting the school and purchasing books at the book fair. We raised an impressive amount of money and have some credits to buy some books for school!

Harvest Food Collection

This year we will be supporting local food banks 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! Our donations will be given to the Pecan Harvest Drop Off Day (see information at the end of the newsletter)

<https://www.pecan.org.uk/rachel-leigh-pantry/>

Thank You

Thank you to the wonderful Gillian Scarlette a visiting poet who came and worked with many of the children this week. It was lovely to see the children so inspired by your work and engage in the workshops which took place. Please come back and visit us soon !!!

Parents Evening

Thanks to all parents that have completed a booking using Arbor. If you have not yet done this please do this as soon as possible. This is a quick meeting to inform you how your child has settled in and targets for the term ahead.

Online Safety Tip of the Week

This week's theme is: **Setting up Parental controls on an iPhone.**

The parental controls on iPhones allow you to block or restrict certain apps, features, content, downloads, or purchases. Setting limitations on content ratings, Siri and web searches enables you to filter out age-inappropriate content and vastly reduce the likelihood of your children being exposed to unsuitable material and information.

In the guide at the back of the newsletter, you'll find tips on a number of ways to set up parental controls.

Trips and Visits

You may have noticed there have not been as many trips or visits so far this academic year. This is due to the lack of contributions being made to the school to cover these costs. If you have not yet paid your contribution please do so as a matter of urgency so that we can plan ahead and book exciting visits and trips for your children.

Parent workshops

Next week there will be an opportunity for parents in Year 3,4,5 and 6 to find out how to help their children at home with reading. This is particularly important for Year 6 as parents will learn how to support their child in preparation for their end of year SATs tests. We do hope you are able to attend and look forward to welcoming you.

Wednesday 7th October 9am – year 3 and 4

Thursday 8th October 9am – Yea 5 and 6

Year 6 residential meeting (school journey)

If you have a child in Year 6 who will be going on the residential trip this year, please attend a meeting with Miss Adeyemi on Tuesday 6th October at 3pm. This meeting will help you know what to pack for your child, what activities they will be completing when away, meals and information about the dormitories. Miss Adeyemi will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

National Teacher Day

Monday 5th October is National Teachers Day. I would like to say a huge thanks to all the teachers here at Grange for the work they do daily to support your children. Please, if you remember make an extra effort to thank your child's teacher next week.

I 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: Spring Term	Class	%
Attendance KS1 Winner	Venus	97.6%
Attendance KS2 Winner	Galaxy	99.6%
KS1 Punctuality Winner	Venus	98.8%
KS2 Punctuality Winner	Galaxy	98.4%
Rest of School		
Class	Punctuality%	Attendance%
Moon	97.7	98.5
Star	100	92.5
Venus	98.8	97.6
Planet Earth	97.6	94.4
Jupiter	97.4	98.4
Saturn	98.3	93.9
Galaxy	98.4	99.6
Neptune	98.0	96.5
Pluto	98.1	95.2
Sky	97.6	92.0
Weekly attendance:		96.0%

Dates for the Diary

Important
DATE!

05/+06/10/26	Earth and Pluto Parents evening 3.45-6pm
07/10/26	YR3/4 – Reading parents coffee morning– 9am - AM hall
08/10/26	YR5/6 - Reading parents coffee morning– 9am - AM hall
09/10/26	Year 6 residential meeting – Steph 2.45pm – AM hall
09/10/26	Open morning – new starters
19/10/26 & 21/10/26	Parents evening (3.45 – 7.00) (3.45 – 7.00)(Mon + Wednesday)
23/10/26	Big Draw Day and parent event

House Winners

Neil ARMSTRONG		458
Bernard HARRIS		432
Tim PEAKE		436
Helen SHARMAN		439
Stephanie WILSON		410



Mathletics



Winning Class: **Pluto Class**

School's total points: **43,950**



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Word of the Week

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

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: **infer**

Pronunciation / Syllables: (in-fer)

Word Class: (verb)

Definition:

If you infer, you arrive at a conclusion or belief by reasoning from evidence.

Aya could infer that the character was plotting something.

Synonym: deduce, work out

Antonym: abstain, disbelieve

Prefix / Suffix: -ence, -ed

Rhyme: were, occur

Link Word: logically, directly

Value of the Week

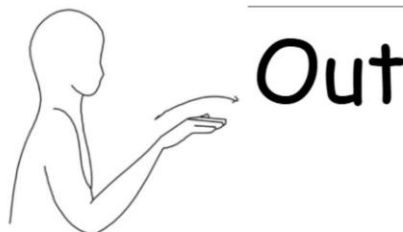
The value of the week this week was "resilience". Please take some time over the weekend to discuss this value with your children.

"I can be changed by what happens to me. But I refuse to be reduced by it." Maya Angelou



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.



Happy Birthday to You!

First Name	Class	Age
Yalldah	NEPTUNE	10
Yarran	PLUTO	10
Isaac	NEPTUNE	10
Chanel	PLUTO	10
Arthur	STAR	5
Harley	GALAXY	9



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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Class Gallery

Year 5 –Neptune Class

Year 5 learnt about Edward Weston's photography in Art. They created their own black and white photo images.



Year 1 - Venus Class

Year 1 made their own colour monsters !





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Rewards

Years EYFS, 1 & 2

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
VENUS	Ivy	For always trying her best in all her learning.
EARTH	Nyren	For always trying his best!
Class	Writer of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Edith	For her lovely poem about her leaf.
EARTH	Ava	For her excellent vocabulary choices!
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason:
VENUS	Joa	For her confidence to share her learning in Maths.
EARTH	Youcef	For his great work partitioning numbers
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason for Award
VENUS	Ocean	For all of her reading at home and having her reading record signed.
EARTH	Besma	For reading with great enthusiasm



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Rewards

Years 3 to 6

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

Class:	VIP of the week	Reason for Award:
JUPITER	Eloa	For always doing her best and never giving up.
GALAXY	Alya	For always trying so hard
SATURN	Amelia	For always trying her best and working hard in all subjects!
NEPTUNE	Rubie	For trying her best and never giving up.
PLUTO	Teddy	For trying your best in all subject areas
SKY	Sabrina	Not giving up when learning how to multiply 4 digit by 2 digit numbers
Class	Writer of the week	Reason
JUPITER	Manel	For an amazing job using punctuation for speech.
GALAXY	Darcie	For a great retelling of Weslandia
SATURN	Aaliyah	For amazing focus and creative ideas in writing this week
NEPTUNE	Suleman	For trying hard to write a description of a mead hall.
PLUTO	Ejatu	For your terrific poem
SKY	Jannat	For using a range of sentences in her writing
Class	Mathematician of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Nasir	For working hard with place value this week.
GALAXY	Imad	Trying extra hard when he finds something difficult!
SATURN	Fatima	For amazing work on partitioning this week!
NEPTUNE	Enzo	Excellent effort rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.
PLUTO	Ubaydah	For the persistence shown in lessons
SKY	Isabelle	Excellent work on multiplying 4 digit by 2 digit numbers
Class:	Reader of the week:	Reason
JUPITER	Sheka	For great reading this week!
GALAXY	Joey	For always reading at home!
SATURN	Amanatu	For showing lots of enthusiasm about reading!
NEPTUNE	Luciana	For signing her reading record regularly.
PLUTO	Royce	For great responses in reading lessons
SKY	Hosna	Great contributions in our poetry lesson

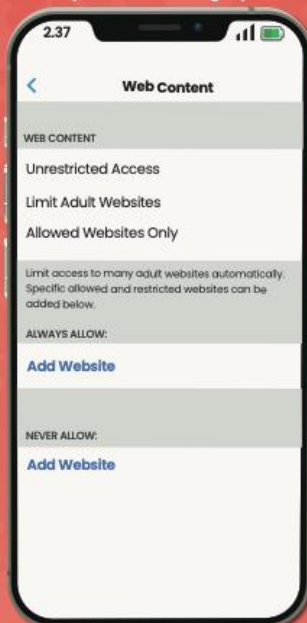
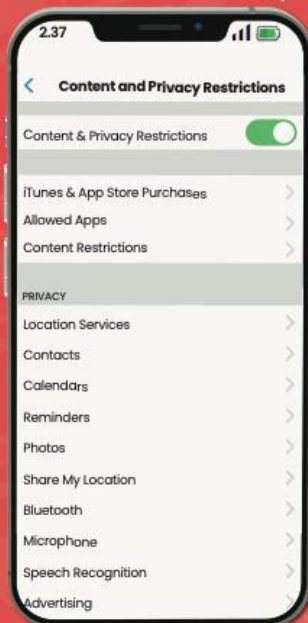
Parent/ Carer Information and Support

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS to limit age-inappropriate CONTENT iPhone



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18+ Set up content rating restrictions

Content filters keep your child from viewing unsuitable material. They block apps, films and TV shows with specific age ratings, and music and podcasts with explicit content.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Enable Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 5 Choose the Settings for each feature you wish to restrict



Set up web restrictions

Website content filters restrict age-inappropriate content on Safari. You can also blacklist certain websites or allow access only to approved sites.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 4 Tap Web Content
- 5 Choose between Unrestricted Access, Limit Adult Websites and Allowed Websites Only
- 7 Choose which websites you wish to allow/block

Set up Siri web search restrictions

You can screen out explicit language to avoid Siri displaying inappropriate results. You could also disable Siri entirely, so your child can't use it to search the web.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 5 Scroll Down to Siri
- 6 Choose to block either or both Web Search Content and Explicit Language



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HARVEST FOOD COLLECTION

Supporting



Pecan

Kindness | Belief | Hope

Help us make a difference to local families this Harvest season by donating food items for Pecan, our local food bank charity.

COMPETITION TIME!

The class that brings in the MOST donations will win a

FILM AFTERNOON!

Please bring donations in by

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER

FOOD BANK

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED



Tinned tomatoes



Tinned fish



Cereal



Tinned vegetables



Biscuits



Tinned fruit



Tinned non-pork meat



Long-life juice



Long-life milk (whole)

Every item counts! ♥
Let's work together to support our community.

♥ **Together we can make a difference!** ♥

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.
"Sharing what we have helps others to thrive."

STAY FIT & HEALTHY

JOIN YOUR CHILD EACH WEEK

at the following times and help encourage them to stay fit and healthy.

SESSION TIMES

MONDAY

8:50am
Galaxy and Jupiter class

TUESDAY

8:50am
Neptune and Pluto class

WEDNESDAY

8:50am
Saturn and Venus class

THURSDAY

8:50am
Earth and Sky class

FRIDAY

8:50am
Moon and Star class

DID YOU KNOW?

An extra **15 minutes** of exercise a day can make you feel **happier**, help you **focus** for the day and **prevent heart disease!**



HAPPIER MOOD



BETTER FOCUS



HEALTHIER HEART



Together we can make a difference!

Thank you for your support in helping our children stay fit, healthy and happy!