



Things to look forward to!

Tuesday 5th November: Children return to school for Autumn Term 2

**Wednesday 13th November**: Year 1 trip to SEARCH museum

**Thursday 14th November**: Year 2 trip to Fort Nelson

Thursday 19th December: Christmas parties for all year groups

Friday 20th December:

End of term @3.15pm

Monday 6th January: Spring term starts



INSET dates for this year- we like to give you plenty of warning so you can prepare!

Monday 4th November: Special Educational Needs

**24th February:** The Empowerment Approach

**27th June:** Transition and next steps



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To Our Lovely Grange Families,

Welcome to the last Friday Flyer of this half term! The last 8 weeks have flown by in a blur of learning new things, making new friends and most importantly having fun. We are so proud of the progress the children are making and how well they have settled into their classes. It's amazing how much can be squeezed into half a term from the visit from Raptorxotics and Halloween party! We have a school full of successful and confident young people and we can't wait to start another half term with them developing a love of learning and helping them to aim high in everything they do.

We have ensured that our assemblies this half term, have covered a range of topics in recognition of the diverse world we live in. It has been lovely welcoming Year R to some of our assemblies too and they have loved joining in with whole school celebrations. Coming together as a whole school community is so important to us, and sharing important messages, themes and values, is an integral part of our reflective time, helping the children to become well-rounded citizens for the future that lies ahead of them.

As we approach the half term break, I would like to thank you all for your support of our school and for your commitment to your child's education and their 'flying start'. Whilst we endeavour to give the children a broad and balanced experience, we know how influential home-life is and what a positive impact it has on your child's development. We promise to update you on progress and on the wellbeing of your child and will always make sure we are here to listen, to advise and to support.

It really has been so lovely to see so many of you and to hear all of your news. As always, my door is open so please let me or the amazing office team know if there is anything we can do to help. We are always here for you. May I wish you all a wonderful and restful half term break. We can't wait to welcome you back again on <u>Tuesday 5th November</u>! Miss Myers

#### Our Beautiful Remembrance Day Display

A huge thank you to Mrs Sayer and Mrs Cripps for our wonderful Remembrance Display in our porch area. Nearly a third of our children have parents in the

Armed Forces and we value the contribution they make to the welfare of our country and beyond. Remembrance Day is a time to remember the service and sacrifice of those who have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life.

Look out for more information about poppies and other Remembrance Day items that we will be selling after the half term break.





PE Days for the Autumn 2 Term 2024



SO COOL

TO BE IN

SCHOOL !

Here are the PE Days for this first half term:

Year R Starlings/Sparrows:

WEDNESDAYS

Year 1 Chaffinches/Robins MONDAYS

Year 2

Owls/Blackbirds/ Magpies: TUESDAYS - PE (full PE kit)

AND

Owls & Magpies THURSDAYS

Dance - no jewellery

**Blackbirds** 

FRIDAYS Dance - no jewellery

Please can you make sure all jewellery is removed as part of our health and safety guidance.

It is always good practice to name all items of clothing too!

We would ask that PE kits consist of black shorts or trackies when it is colder and a plain white t-shirt.

School jumpers or cardigans can be worn so please avoid hoodies or other sweatshirts.

We encourage the children to wear black plimsolls or plain black trainers.



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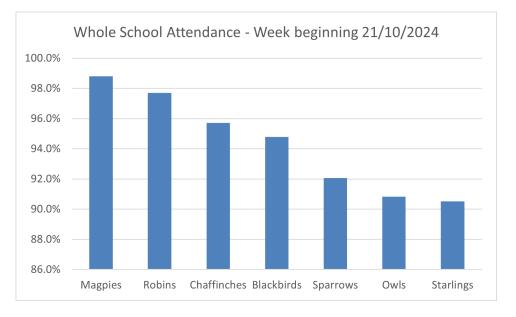
#### Attendance

Each week, attendance is tracked across the school and on a Friday the class with highest attendance for that week, gets a certificate.

At the end of each term, we look at who has had the best attendance overall and that class gets to choose an item for their class such as a new game.

#### This week the winners are: Magpies with 98.8%

Congratulations and well done for your great attendance this week.



Don't forget, the more you're in school, the more learning you can do!

As a school, we have a responsibility and a duty of care to ensure that children attend school regularly and that attendance is good.

Where attendance drops, we will make contact with parents and carers and work with you to get attendance back on track. Please also note that we will request evidence such as text/email/letter confirmation from the medical practice for ALL appointments taken during school hours.

#### **Reporting School Absence**

If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please can you make sure you phone this through into the school office. A message can also be left on the absence line (option 2) if there is no one to answer the phone, or you are calling out of hours.

Whilst we love Class Dojo and all that it offers, please can we ask that parents do **not** use the messaging service to report absence. Thank you!





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#### Halloween Parties

These took place yesterday and the children had an amazing time! We loved seeing all the imaginative costumes and the children had great fun dancing, being creative and eating a spooky snack!

Thank you as always, for your support for this event.



#### **Running Late!**

We have noticed an increase in the number of late arrivals recently and although it is great to have the child in school, lates have a significant impact upon their progress and well-being.

In our drive to improve overall school attendance, we are focusing on lates and want to remind parents that any lates will cause a decrease in the attendance percentage your child has.

#### Holidays during Term Time

Attendance is so important in your child's educational development and so we always ask our families not to take holidays during term time.

Holidays taken will go down as an 'unauthorised absence' and will affect your child's overall attendance percentage.

You are also at risk of being issued a fine/ fixed penalty notice.

Use this link for more information:

https://www.gov.uk/school-attendanceabsence









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#### Hot Chocolate with Miss Myers

As part of our drive towards the recognition of amazing behaviour and role modelling, I will be inviting a child from each class to join me for hot chocolate and a treat each week. This was launched last year and the children loved coming along and talking about their achievements and proud moments.

Last week was the first Hot Chocolate event and I was joined by this delightful group for a chat about why they have been recognised and how proud we all are of them.

You are amazing!









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#### Introducing Our New School Councillors

Congratulations to our brand new school councillors who were voted in this week. The quality of applications was amazing and we wish we could give a role to everyone who applied, as so much effort was made.

Our school councillors have a pivotal role to play in school improvement and ensuring that Grange Infants remains the exciting and motivating learning hub that it is. Our councillors will work closely with me, Miss Myers, to discuss a range of topics including looking after the school grounds, developing play provision and highlighting the value of pupil voice.

We can't wait to work with them!

Our Year 1 School Councillors





#### Our Year 2 School Councillors









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## Sparrows

Wow Writer is Gianna for her beautiful formation of the 'y' sound!

Proud Pot is Sophia for her excellent drawing of Vlad the Vampire in Book Talk!

Wow Writer is Paisley-Jo for writing her 'r' sounds independently! Proud Pot is

## Chaffinches [

Wow Writer is Logan for his super prepositions to describe where the hat went! Proud Pot is Reggie S for being such a supportive and kind friend!

> Wow Writer is Frankie for writing words about the hat! Proud Pot is Rhys for super Maths work!



## Blackbirds

Wow Writer is Zayn for super effort on his letter layout! Proud Pot is Kaycee-Mae for a super hamster/dragon homework!

#### Magpies

Robins

Starlinas

Wow Writer is Sonny for his brilliant letter to Marmaduke the Dragon! Proud Pot is Nancy for her fabulous hamster space-rocket homework project!



### owls

Wow Writer is Blake for his lovely letter writing! Proud Pot is Ruben for fantastic Maths learning!



#### Dining Out during half term



There are lots of offers available to help families during the half term break, it's always a good idea to check the offers are still on before heading out



## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2024



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

#### **FRANKIE & BENNYS**

Kids Eat Free deal from Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November.

#### MORRISONS

Spend £5 from the hot menu and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

#### COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day Monday 21st Oct- Sunday 3rd Nov 2024

#### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

#### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

#### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

#### **TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN**

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

#### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

#### **TGI FRIDAYS**

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

#### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

#### EMBER INNS

Kids eat for £1 from Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November 2024 (excludes weekends)

#### YO! SUSHI

Monday 14th October - Friday 1st November 2024 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

#### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

#### BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Mon - Fri from Monday 21st October - Friday 1st November 2024

#### PIZZA HUT

Free Kids buffet Monday 14th Oct - Tuesday 5th Nov daily until 3pm with code **SPOOKY** 

#### **BELLA ITALIA**

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

#### WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

#### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### **PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

#### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.