



We made it!

Friday 21st July

So here we are on the last day of the summer term and the end of a year that's buzzed with new experiences, exciting learning and new friendships! It has certainly flown by and I can't believe the children are moving on to new year groups and of course new schools.

I'm sure many of you will be ready for some quality time with family and friends and I know we are definitely ready for a break and time to reflect. I can't thank you all enough for your amazing support during this year and I hope you will celebrate, as we will, all the many successes we have had and happy memories we have made (including our 'good' outcome in our Ofsted inspection 😊).

The children have continued to amaze me with their positive outlook on life and a determination to not let anything stand in their way. Their achievements and successes as well as their kindness, humour and 'oops' moments, have continued to make me smile every day and remind me why working with children has to be one of the best jobs in the world! A huge thank you to them for being the superstars they truly are.

The staff, have stayed strong and have kept the well-being of the children firmly in their hearts. A huge hug and thank you must go to them all for their dedication, commitment and support this year. I really am so lucky to have such a wonderful team here at Grange and for us all to be at the heart of such a vibrant, loyal and supportive community.

This week has been a time to celebrate the year and we have loved celebrating with the children and joining in with their year group treats, award achievements and of course our leavers' performance.

This week is also a time to say goodbye and good luck to our brave, funny and loveable Year 2s who will be looking back on their time with us, ready to start the next step on their learning journey. We wish them the very best as they get ready to join their new Year 3 classes and look forward to hearing all about their adventures in Year 3. We really will miss them! Thank you to all of the families who attended their leavers' performance this week. St Mary's Church was packed and it was heart-warming to see how many parents and family members had tissues to hand! I know the singing certainly lifted the rooftops and both Jude and Claire who work at the church, were so impressed with the effort, talent and behaviour of all of the children.

We are already busily planning for September and the new year ahead. Please keep checking the website, Class Dojo, Facebook and emails for updates and news over the summer break.

I can be reached throughout the holiday via my email which I will check regularly, so if you need anything, just let me know: s.myers@grange-inf.hants.sch.uk You can also message me via Class Dojo.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely, sunny summer break. Stay safe, look after each other and most importantly, have fun! Miss Myers



Weekly attendance: Cool to be In School

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: Chaffinches and Blackbirds with 96.67%!

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!

Should your child be unwell and unable to attend that day, please contact the office to let us know and this will be recorded on our registers.

During out of office hours, you will be able to leave a message.



Attendance is a key priority for school improvement at Grange Infants. To keep attendance at the forefront of our minds (and our families!), we will be sharing with you the attendance of each class for that week in every newsletter. This is with the intention of our community understanding how important attendance is and the value we place on it in ensuring the children have the best possible start to their education.

This week's results:

Class	Percentage attendance for the week ending 21.7.23
Chaffinches AND Blackbirds!!!	96.67
Woodpeckers	96.15
Wagtails	95.22
Robins	94.29
Starlings	93.33
Owls	88.33
Sparrows	79.6



Things to look forward to!

INSET days for 23/24

We want to give our families as much notice as we can for our INSET day closures next year. Every school takes 5 INSETs a year for training and development.

We have agreed the following:

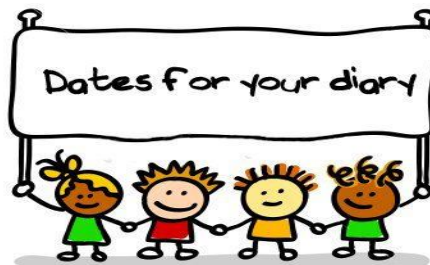
Friday 1st September: Phonics whole school training

Monday 4th September: Safeguarding and behaviour whole school training

Friday 9th February: Common Day Closure for Gosport and Fareham schools

Friday 5th July: Transition planning

Tuesday 23rd July: Behaviour, Relationships and Restorative Practice



Hampshire School Term Dates

These are the term dates for next year. This image is a bit blurry so please use this link for the full document:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/education/ndlearning/schoolholidays>

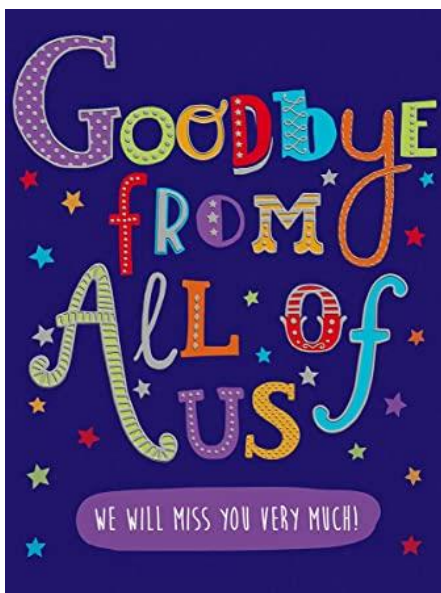
Please note that due to INSET days, the first day for Year 1 and Year 2 will be Tuesday 5th September.

Autumn Term 2023 starts on Friday 1st September 2023 and ends on Friday 15 December 2023 (Half term from Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023)

Spring Term 2024 starts on Tuesday 2 January 2024 and ends on Thursday 28 March 2024 (Half term from Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February 2024)

Summer Term 2024 starts on Monday 15 April 2024 and ends on Tuesday 23 July 2024 (Half term from Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024)

Term	Start date	End Date
Autumn 2023	1 September 2023	15 December 2023
	Half term 23 October - 27 October 2023	
Spring 2024	2 January 2024	28 March 2024
	Half term 12 February - 16 February 2024	
Summer 2024	15 April 2024	23 July 2024
	Half term 27 May - 31 May 2024	



It is always hard having to say goodbye, but we wanted to take this opportunity to thank the following amazing staff who will be leaving us to pursue career changes, house moves and retirement! They have all been such an asset to our school community and we wish them the best for their adventures!



Mrs Garwood has been part of the Grange Family in many different ways for 23 years! She has loved her recent role as an intervention teacher as well as supporting all classes across the school. Thank you Mrs Garwood and good luck!



Mrs Groome has had many different roles at Grange over the last few years being part of the site team, the lunch team and as a teaching assistant in Year R. Thank you Mrs Groome; we wish you the very best for your new adventure!



Miss Parkins joined our school this year and has been invaluable in her role in Year R as a teaching assistant as well as a member of the lunch team. Good luck with your new job Miss Parkins!



Mrs Beattie has also loved her lunchtime role in Year 2 and has been a fantastic member of the lunch team. Thank you Mrs Beattie and good luck!

Mrs Charlton has loved her role as a lunch time supervisor this year and will be missed by all of us. Good luck in your new role Mrs C!



Home School Link Worker (HSLW)

Mrs Kennell



My role as the HSLW is to help you and your child get the best out of school and family life.

I can support you and your children with advice and sign post you to other professionals for additional help. I am able to advise you with any worries you may have about attendance, your child's emotional well-being, behaviour or mental health.

Every child and every parent matters and I am happy to support you any way I can.

You can contact me via the school office or pop into the Aviary, which is on the main playground, for a chat.

Keep an eye out for up-coming events that will be posted on class dojo and the school website.



Stay Safe This Summer

Whilst we want you all to enjoy a relaxing and fun summer break, we also want you to stay safe.

Here are some key points for minimising risks this summer:

<https://www.which.co.uk/news/article/11-summer-safety-hazards-every-parent-needs-to-know-about-aQDIF3I3Vvwk>

<https://cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/blog/posts/2020/may-2020/summer-safety/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/beat-the-heat-hot-weather-advice/beat-the-heat-staying-safe-in-hot-weather>



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Summer Fayre 2023



A huge thank you must go to our brilliant Mrs Fairs for organising our fantastic Summer Fayre. This is the biggest event the school has hosted in years and she has been the driving force behind it all. No doubt she will be very modest about it but such a lot of work, effort and thought has gone into the event, and we are so lucky to have such a dedicated member of the Grange family and community.

Thank you Mrs Fairs, and thank you to her team of helpers for making it all possible!



Wow & Proud

Congratulations



TO ALL THE CHILDREN!

Sparrows, Starlings, Woodpeckers

Chaffinches, Robins

Blackbirds, Owls, Wagtails

You are all 'WOW', and we are all so proud!

Have a fantastic Summer, and GOOD LUCK to our Year 2s moving on to Junior School!

With love and best wishes, from ALL at Grange Infant School x





PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023



COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

ASDA

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

TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

SAINSBURYS CAFES

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

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

TABLE TABLE

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

TRAVELODGE

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

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

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.

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

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

PRETO

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

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

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

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

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

YO! SUSHI

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

TO BE CONFIRMED...

M&S and Farmhouse Inns



Morrisons Cafe and Warburtons have teamed up to help families over the summer holidays with their "Ask for Ellen" initiative. When visiting a Morrisons Cafe, just ask for Ellen and you will receive 2 toasted crumpets with butter and jam, absolutely free. No purchase necessary, and no questions asked.