



Friday Flyer

28th November 2025



To Our Lovely Grange Families,

Autumn continues to fly by and I can't believe how quickly we are hurtling towards Christmas! Every week passes in a blur of exciting new learning, happy faces and positive relationships. Recent visitors have told us how welcoming the school is, how friendly the children are and how the learning just shines through. We really are so proud of our school and the community that supports us and even when times are tough, we know we can ride out the ups and downs together.

Last week, Year 2 met a very special person from history... Florence Nightingale! The children were so intrigued to find out more about what she did and the difference she made to modern nursing today and loved asking her lots of questions! They even got to go on a 'dig' to find lots of artefacts and clues about Florence. The feedback from both the children and the staff was so positive. We know how learning through first hand experience in the outdoors or with real artefacts and objects, has such an impact on the children in embedding their understanding and in making learning memorable and relevant. The school is starting to buzz with a sense of Christmas; the children are busy practising their Christmas songs ready to entertain their families and staff are planning a host of festive fun and activities. Please make sure you have read our festive letter week as it has everything you need to know about how we are celebrating this exciting time of the year.

The children definitely thought Christmas had come early yesterday with the unexpected snowfall and as adults, we realised that for some children, this may have been the first snow they had seen! It's moments like these that really do make you appreciate the simple things in life and watching the children running around trying to catch the flakes brought a smile to all of our faces!

Wishing you all a peaceful and restful weekend. 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! Miss Myers 😊



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

Friday 13th February: Gosport and Fareham Common Day Closure

Friday 26th June: Transition and next steps

Well Done Everyone!

It has been a very busy phonics week with visit from both ReadWriteInc, as well as local authority.

Both visitors commented on how brilliantly the children were engaging in their phonics sessions and how focused they were. They were impressed with learning behaviours as well as the effort that the children put into their learning.

A huge thank you also goes to all of the staff for the amazing work they do!

Keep aiming high and being the best you can be!





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PE Days for the Autumn 2 Term 2025



Here are the PE Days for this first half term:

Year R

Sparrows: MONDAY

Starlings: TUESDAY

Year 1

Chaffinches/Robins

WEDNESDAY

(full PE kit)

Year 2

Owls/Blackbirds

MONDAY - PE
(full PE kit)

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.

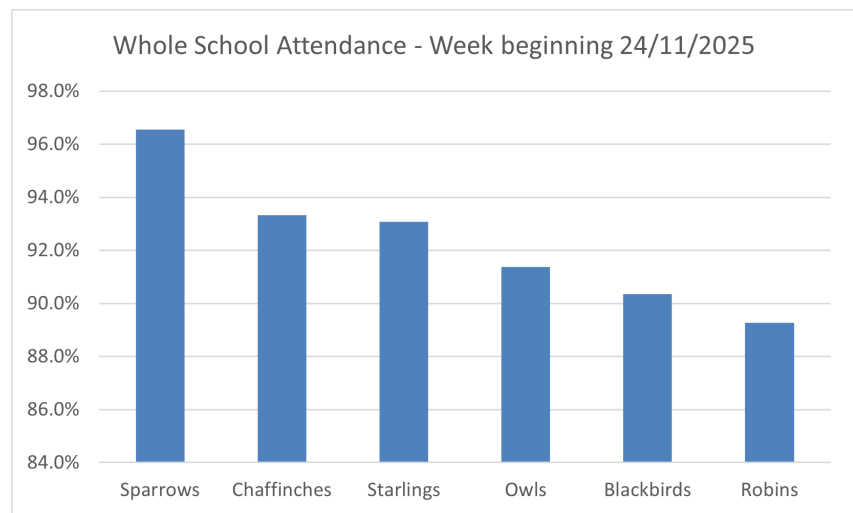
Attendance

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:
Sparrows with 96.6%

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.

PERSISTENT LATES

Sometimes, things don't go right, and we appreciate that and always endeavour to be sensitive and understanding. However **the amount of children who are being persistently late is not acceptable.** Please make every effort to be organised and get your children to school, on time, between 8.45-8.55am.

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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Christmas Dates for your Diary

Mark these on your calendar!

Friday 28th November @2pm: Parent Christmas decoration workshop

Friday 12th December: Christmas Jumper Day
(the children are invited to wear Christmas clothes in exchange for a chocolate donation)

Friday 12th December: Christmas lunch on the menu

Monday 15th December @ 2pm: Christmas Performance at St Mary's Church- all year groups

Thursday 18th December: Christmas Party from 3.15pm- 4.45pm

Friday 19th December: End of term - Happy Christmas!



PLEASE READ- DATE CHANGE!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, St Mary's Church has asked us to change the date of our Christmas performance. **This will now take place on Monday 15th December at 2pm.**



Children in Need

Thank you for supporting Children in Need and donating towards this charity.

Thanks for kindness, we raised £155.50

Your donations are much appreciated as we know times are hard. Thank you!



Socks!

We are running low on spare socks which are much needed in this damp, wet weather!

If you have any socks that are no longer needed or fit, we would love to have them!



Attendance focus: Lates

Thank you to all of our families for the effort made in getting children to school on time! We have seen some really positive percentages over the last few weeks, which has made us smile.

Lates do continue to be a worry though...

As you will be aware, the drop off window is from **8.45am to 8.55am** at which time, all gates will be closed. We are still seeing many children dropped off just after 9am and this does mean a late mark on the register which will impact the overall attendance.

We want to do everything we can to help so from January, we will be sending out a weekly text to update you on the number of minutes you have been late so you are aware. Just setting your alarm 5 minutes earlier really can make a difference!



Christmas time at Grange Infants

The big day is fast approaching, and we are so excited to share the run up to Christmas with all of our families. We are delighted to be able to invite the children to purchase a **Festive Party Pass** for the parties 18th December which includes:

- * School disco
- * A homemade Christmas biscuit and a drink
- * Christmas art & crafts

Key Christmas Dates for your Calendars

Friday 28th November—Christmas Decoration Making Workshop

Parents are very welcome to come along and join in with the crafty fun at 2pm!

Friday 12th December—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Wear a Christmas jumper to school in exchange for a chocolate donation for our Christmas Raffle. Christmas dinner for all children!

Monday 15th December—Christmas Performance

Whole School at 2pm in St Marys Church

Thursday 18th December—Christmas Parties 3.15pm—4.45pm

Please complete the returns forms with the £6.00 and return to the school

Please complete the returns slip and make your payment at the school office.

Additional raffle tickets can be purchased at £1 per strip of 5 tickets.

Please ask for a replacement letter if you have misplaced your copy.



Wow and Proud Congratulations 28th November 2025



Sparrows

Wow Writer is **Abigail** for showing super effort from within when writing a sentence

Proud Pot is **Kevin** for coping so well with his new schedule at school!



Starlings

Wow Writer is **Charlie** for hearing all the sounds in CVC words!

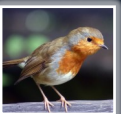
Proud Pot is **Arlo-Jax** for using a number line to say a number that is 1 less than the number given!



Chaffinches

Wow Writer is **Rosie-Mae** for using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces in her sentences!

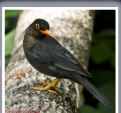
Proud Pot is **Leo-Lucas** for completing all of his Rainbow jobs in one morning! Very productive!



Robins

Wow Writer is **Riley P** for fantastic independent writing at home and in Rainbow Time!

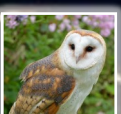
Proud Pot is **Elsie** for settling in so beautifully in the Robins class; welcome to Grange!



Blackbirds

Wow Writer is **Tommy-James** for great time connectives!

Proud Pot is **Vinnie** for his super English work this week!



Owls

Wow Writer is **River-Rae** for super independent writing this week!

Proud Pot is **Ella-Rose** for always following out Grange values!