



**Growing the seeds
for lifelong learning**

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Dear Parents,

Curriculum Newsletter
Spring Term 2

Welcome to a new term at Grange Primary School. We have lots of exciting learning ready for your children this term! Year 4 will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on Ancient Greece. We will focus on:

English	Maths
<p>Reading Objectives: To check that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context To ask questions to improve their understanding To drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence To predict what might happen from details stated and implied To identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning To discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader To participate in discussions about books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously To provide reasoned justifications for their views</p> <p>Writing Objectives: To assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing To propose changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning To ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing To ensure correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register To proof- read for spelling and punctuation errors</p> <p>Writing Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing in role • Non-chronological reports • Narrative • Poetry <p>Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenses • Standard English • Adverbial phrases <p>Spelling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adding suffixes • Doubling the consonant • Prefixes: im, il, ir 	<p>Maths Objectives:</p> <p>Fractions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To count in hundredths To write mixed numbers To show mixed numbers on a number line To find equivalent fractions To simplify mixed numbers To simplify improper fractions To add fractions To subtract fractions To solve word problems involving fractions <p>Time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To tell the time on a 24-hour clock To change the time in minutes to seconds To change the in hours and seconds To solve word problems on duration of time To change years to months and weeks to days <p>Decimals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To write tenths To write hundredths To write decimals To compare and order decimals To make numbers patterns To round numbers To write fractions as decimals To divide whole numbers by 10 To divide whole numbers by 100

<p>Handwriting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children will continue to practise fluent, legible letter joins. • Child will develop handwriting fluency through short passages of dictation. 	
<p>Science – Electricity</p>	<p>Computing – Intermediate Logo</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify common appliances that run on electricity • construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers • identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery • recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit • v) recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the type of music you will create. • Create music with Isle of Tune. • Record sound samples. • Use samples to create a piece of music. • Edit composition. • Share music with an audience.
<p>RE- Holi</p>	<p>PSHE- Healthy Me</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who do we think 'goodies and baddies' are? • What happens at the Hindu festival at Holi? • What other story is told at Holi? • How does Holi show what Hindu people believe about God? • Can we write a story which teaches the value not giving up and bring it to life? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To make a healthy choice • To eat a healthy, balanced diet • To learn to be physically active • To keep yourself and others safe • To enjoy friendship and be a good friend • To keep calm and deal with difficult situations.
<p>Topic – Ancient Greece</p>	
<p>In History, we'll be finding out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who were the Ancient Greeks? • Ancient Greek Democracy • Ancient Greek: The Olympics • The Battle of Marathon • Ancient Greek Gods and Goddesses 	
<p>Important Information – PE days, Educational Visits, Homework</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor PE – Tuesdays • Swimming – Fridays. Please ensure children arrive with their correct swimming attire. 	
<p>Spanish– Your child is learning Spanish in weekly (Wednesdays).</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework is given out on Tuesday and due in the following Monday. There will be a playtime detention each Tuesday if homework is not completed. • Weekly spellings are handed out Tuesday and tested on the following Monday or Tuesday. • Does your child know their times tables? Rehearse them using their multiplication chart. <p>Please listen to your child read daily to help improve their fluency and accuracy and ensure that they complete their reading journal.</p>	

Thank you,

Ms. Greenidge