



Grange Primary School November Newsletter



Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to February, often referred to as a transitional month because it is the last month of winter. This month we will be focusing on further developing children's thinking skills through questioning. Overleaf are examples of question stems you can use in reading. Do take the time to use them when your child is reading or completing their home learning.

Tomorrow we will be celebrating Number Day, details overleaf. It is hoped that through a range of activities taking place throughout the day, children will learn more about mathematics and how fun it can be. We appreciate your support and ask that you allow your child to come to school wearing an item of clothing with a number. Any donations received will be given to NSPCC.

Please encourage your child to share any ideas about how they would like to see the school improve. This can be done by talking to their school council representative. It is a perfect opportunity for pupils to get involved in shaping the change they want to see. The head girl and boy would also like to encourage any child who has concerns, to speak to them at lunch or at play time.

Well done to all those in year 1&2 taking part in the Hot Potato sport event. All pupils displayed the growth mind-set and tried their very best. We are extremely proud of their efforts and their determination to succeed.

A number of children are not coming to school with the correct school uniform or PE kit. Please note that jogging bottoms and trainers are not part of school uniform and a tee-shirt and shorts should be worn for PE.

As always please ensure your child continues to read daily. Remember reading and questioning what has been read further develops the mind. Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards

Mrs Smith

Diary Dates

Fri 2nd Feb—Dress For Digits Day

Mon 5th Feb—Year 6 Enrichment Program at Stratford Theatre

Fri 9th Feb—Last Day Of Term

Wed 7th Feb—Year 5 Enrichment Program at Stratford Theatre

Wed 7th Feb—Parent Consultation Meeting in School Hall at 15:10pm

Thurs 8th Feb—Community Police Unit visit to school

Mon 19th Feb—First Day Back To School

Wed 21st Feb—Year 1 Hot Potato at Altmere (TBC)

Wed 28th Feb—Handball (Boys) Year 5 & 6 at Langdon (TBC)

Attendance

Class	Percentage
Sycamore	90.4
Oak	89.5
Maple	88.2
Holly	92.6
Elm	92.4
Cedar	90.9

Well done!



What's happening at Grange...



Attendance and Punctuality

Currently school attendance is at **90.7%**. This has increased from last month, school attendance needs to be improved. Please ensure your child comes to school on time, every day, unless they are not well enough to do so. There is clear evidence that regular school attendance improves pupils' learning outcomes. The school will be in contact with families of pupils who are persistently absent or late.

Nursery

Healthy Start

What is the Healthy Start scheme?

What is Healthy Start? If you are more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk. If you are eligible, you will be sent a Healthy Start card with money on it that you can use in some UK shops. We will add your benefit onto this card every 4 weeks. Applications for healthy start can be made online at www.healthystart.nhs.uk

How much will I get for my children?

- £4.25 each week of your pregnancy (from the 10th week of your pregnancy)
- £8.50 each week for children from birth to 1 year old
- £4.25 each week for children between 1 and 4 years old

Your money will stop after your child's 4th birthday, or if you no longer receive benefits. You can also get free Healthy Start vitamins.



Take up the challenge and Dress up for Digits

On Friday 2nd February we are inviting everyone to come to school wearing an item of clothing with numbers on it and make a donation. Why not get creative and design a unique t-shirt, hat or even become a human-sized calculator or dice! "Dress up for Digits" is a great opportunity to do something fun and take part in activities and games while raising money to support NSPCC services such as Speak out Stay safe and Child line.

Positive affirmations

I Y V T R E O I H U P K A Q Z F C
 U I R T W W T R A M S G I U V K E
 R E D A E L S W X Z X I Q M H J V
 T R E S P E C T E D G R D S L E A
 L C X I L L X D N Z E T V F O H K
 T C A G G W Q I N S S Y O F V E O
 X O Z R N U K M P Q T P S E E L I
 H P Q T I M H O A U R P S A D P B
 T L O Y M N N J I D O A O T Z F I
 N E P B O S G M X W N H J M H U K
 E X P G I O E Q T R G V H V E L Y
 I Y V B K Y D E S S E L B K U T D
 T A L E N S R I D E S U C O F E Z
 A E V K K T B X I H H F V E U U K
 P J X H P K I E Z G I V K K I H J
 B E V A R B F K R S N V C S P D V
 W X D E L L O R T N O C F L E S E

Blessed	Brave	Caring
Focused	Happy	Helpful
Kind	Leader	Loved
Patient	Respected	Responsible
Self-controlled	Smart	Strong



Please attend our next Coffee Morning on Thursday 22nd February from 9:15am to 10:15am. We hope to see you all there.



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Question stems

HIGHER ORDER THINKING QUESTION STEMS (Level 1)

Remember

Recognizing and recalling Describe what happens when_____.

How is (are) _____?

How would you define _____?

How would you identify _____?

How would you outline _____?

How would you recognize _____?

List the _____ in order.

What do you remember about _____?

What is (are) _____?

What would you choose _____?

When did _____?

Where is (are) _____?

Which one _____?

Who was (were) _____?

Why did _____?

UNDERSTAND (Level 2)

Interpreting, exemplifying, classifying, summarizing, inferring, comparing, explaining

Elaborate on_____.

How can you describe _____?

How would you clarify the meaning _____?

How would you compare/contrast _____?

How would you differentiate between _____ and _____?

How would you express _____?

How would you generalize _____?

How would you identify _____?

What can you infer from _____?

What can you say about _____?

What did you observe _____?

What is the main idea of _____?

What would happen if _____?

Will you restate _____

School Uniform

Pupils from Reception to Year 6

Please ensure your child attends school in the correct school uniform everyday. **Children are NOT allowed to wear jogging bottoms, hoodies, leggings and trainers as school uniform.**

PE REMINDER

Please ensure your child brings in their correct PE kit on Monday's and takes it back home on Friday's.

Newsletter available in other languages

Se desejar este boletim informativo em seu idioma, solicite-o na secretaria da escola.

Dacă doriți acest buletin informativ în limba dvs., vă rugăm să colectați de la biroul școlii.

আপনি যদি আপনার ভাষায় এই নিউজলেটার চান তাহলে স্কুল অফিস থেকে সংগ্রহ করুন।