

# Grange Junior School Round Up Term 1 – Issue 6 – 2023 Termly Value - RESPECT

#### Year 3

This week, Year 3 have started our final artwork focusing on drawing a self-portrait in the style of realism. Last week, we looked at the proportions of the face and we have used this step-by-step guide again to understand where our facial features are correctly located. We then used a variety of shading techniques to add light and shadow to our faces in order to add a three-dimensional aspect.

In PSHE, we continued to complete our leaflet to welcome a new starter. We focused on sharing the school rules, values and rewards that can be gained. This added to our overall topic of valuing myself and making others feel welcome and valued.

#### Year 4

This week, year 4 have been learning about different types of quadrilaterals in maths. We studied a rhombus, parallelogram, trapezium and a kite. They really impressed us by describing them using words such as congruent, parallel lines and right angles.

In writing, we have been learning about the difference between singular and plural apostrophes for possession. We have also learned a second fronted adverbial category – time!

In science, we have learned about the water cycle.
Ask your child to sing the catchy song we sang in class!

#### Year 6

This week, we have had a visit from the Barnados 'Safer Street' team. They came to do a workshop with Year 6 where they talked about healthy relationships. The children had the chance to discuss what a good friendship looks like; how to work together with other people and how to work out if they can trust people online. It was great to hear such mature conversation from the children. In maths, we have been focussing on long multiplication and long division. The children have been applying their knowledge of times tables well to two challenging methods. In Dodgeball, the children enjoyed playing a game of four square. Their teamwork and ability to negotiate the rules was fantastic

#### Year 5

In Year 5 this week, the students have been looking at the Cubist movement in Art.

They have created a Cubist self-portrait using colour and black and white photographs.

We also have started preparations for next week's Harvest Assembly with lots of research, poetry writing and singing.

#### HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

We will be collecting donations of non perishable food items for Swindon Food Bank. If you would like to donate any items please send these into school between Tues 10<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. The food bank have requested if possible the following items - Regular sized Tins, Jars, Bottles, Cartons or Packets of the following:

Potatoes; Meat; Fish; Tomatoes; Soup; Vegetables; Fruit; Puddings; Pasta Sauce; Cereals; Small Jars of Coffee; Tea; Small Bags of Sugar; Biscuits; 1L Bottles of Squash; Washing Up Liquid; Laundry Pods; 2 in 1 Shampoo & Conditioner; Male and Female Deodorants

PLEASE NOTE: they have plentiful supplies of pasta, baked beans and shower gel so none are needed. As always your support in this is greatly appreciated.

#### **ASTHMA REGISTER**

Your child would have come home with a paper copy of our Asthma register letter this week. If your child suffers with Asthma it is very important that the slip on the letter is completed and returned to school to ensure that we have the correct medical information for you child. Please return the slip if applicable by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at the latest. If we do not receive a response by this date we will assume you do not wish your child to be placed on the Asthma Register.

#### **PARENTS EVENING**

Parent Consultations will be held next term on Tuesday 31st October and Wednesday 1st November 2023. Children will have been sent home with slips this week.

These slips should now have been returned to the teacher, however if you have not done so please can this be done by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

Please note all appointments are for 10 minutes and one appointment per child.

Teachers will confirm appointment dates and times, and these will be communicated and returned via children on Wednesday 18th October 2023.

#### YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

It is now time to apply for your childs secondary school place for September 2024. Please note, it is your responsibility to apply for the school that you wish your child to attend. Please visit website www.swindon.gov.uk which contains a host of useful information to help you make an informed decision about which school you would like your child to attend. The application process will be available from 1st September 2023 until midnight 31st October 2023.

#### **TERM DATE REMINDERS**

The last day of term 1 will be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October, school will finish normal time. After the Half term the children will return to school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

#### HALLOWEEN COMPETITION

FOGS with Richard James are running a Halloween art competition to create your best haunted house picture. Children were sent home with a paper copy of this earlier in the week. If they wish to enter the competition all entries need to be returned to school by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October as Richard James will be collecting the entries to pick winners which will be announced at a later date.

#### **FOGS UPCOMING EVENTS – FIREWORKS & DISCO**

FOGS have got a few events coming up in the next couple of weeks.

The first event is the Glow disco on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Tickets are available to purchase via the link in the letter sent out, included in the ticket price is a drink, snack and glow accessory. The letter also includes the times for the year groups and when their disco is.

FOGS are also holding their annual Fireworks display held at Grange Infant school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets are available to book in advance on the FOGS link in the letter sent out or on the day at the gates. The tickets are subject to availability so please book early to avoid any disappointment.



### Christmas craft fayre

AT ST. MARGARETS CENTRE KENWIN CLOSE, SWINDON, WILTHSIRE, SN3 4NY



November 18<sup>th</sup> 12pm – 2pm



## COME AND SHOP FOR:

HOMEMADE CRAFTS
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
SWEET TREATS



#### **BOOK A TABLE:**

£10 a table and a donation towards a raffle

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