



Grange Junior School

Round Up Term 2 – Issue 2 – 2023

Termly Value - Bravery

Year 3

This week in Maths, we have started learning our 8 times tables by spotting patterns between what we already know about the 4 times table and using our doubling and halving skills.

In PE, we took part in our first gymnastics lesson. We learnt all about the different shapes, jumps and travels we could use to put into a sequence. We also used some equipment such as the springboard and vault to practice our new jumps.

For our RE lesson this week, we have been investigating what items are meaningful to Christians at Christmas and the reasons why Christmas is an important holiday for them to celebrate.

Year 4

In Maths, we have been learning to build x6, x7 and x9 times tables and solve multiplication and division sums with this knowledge. Keep using your TTRS to practice! Thank you to all the parents who came to our MTC Workshop on Tuesday. We hope you and your child found the times table games useful. In writing we have been using fronted adverbials of manner and expanded noun phrases. In reading we have been exploring characterisation and inference in our book 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. In Science we have been finding out what makes a simple circuit and making them using our electricity equipment. In D&T we have started exploring how to make a simple switch which we will be using in our electrical product. In PE we have started netball, learning passing skills and dummy tactics. We look forward to seeing your netball talents develop this year Y4.

Year 6

This week, we have taken part in Remembrance inspired activities to pay our respects to armed forces members who have died in the line of duty. The children created their own artwork inspired by Ernest Brooks who was the first British official war photographer to be assigned to the Western Front in 1916. This work is part of a wonderful display in school. In addition, we have undertaken Science experiments where we have explored how white light is a combination of all colours on the colour spectrum. The children have recorded their observations and posed their own lines of enquiry. In maths, we have been exploring the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. Ask us what $\frac{1}{8}$ is a decimal and a percentage – we will impress you!

Year 5

On Tuesday, Year 5 had a wonderful morning at Kingsdown School in the presence of author Gareth P Jones. He delighted everyone with his stories, songs and answers to questions from the audience. Year 5 were great ambassadors for Grange Juniors.

In Science this week, all classes started their unit on materials with investigations into which materials dissolve and what factors affect dissolving. Great work and ideas by the whole year group.

In Mathematics, we have continued our unit on addition and subtractions and our English is based upon the book Wonder by RJ Palacio.

Congratulations to Willow Class for being named 'School of the Week' by their Swimming Teachers.

FLU IMMUNISATION

The school nurses will be visiting Grange Junior School on Tuesday 28th November to deliver flu immunisations.

Please complete the consent form using the following link

<https://schoolimms.hcrgcaregroup.com/flu/2023/swindon>

The booking portal will close at midnight on Thursday 23rd Nov 2023.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday 17th November the children will be celebrating Children in Need. We invite the children to come to school wearing anything 'spotty or pyjamas'. A donations page has been set on ParentPay for any donations you wish to give. Please follow the link below to donate to this great cause.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=13222>

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 13TH – 17TH NOVEMBER

Children will be engaging in lots of different activities around this year's theme 'make a noise about bullying'. Children are invited to wear odd socks on Monday 13th November which will be a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique.

DATA COLLECTION FORMS

A reminder that if you have not yet returned your data collection form please can this be returned ASAP. Please contact the school office if you have not received this form.

OPEN DAY FOR CHILDREN STARTING IN YEAR 3 -SEPT 2024

We are delighted to announce we will be hosting an Open Morning on Tuesday 21st of November for prospective students, we have two slots available at 9am and 10am.

You will have the opportunity to meet our headteacher, key staff members, student leaders, and tour our school. Come along and see what Grange Junior School has to offer!

To book your place please contact us on 822405. We look forward to meeting you.

WINTER CLOTHING

As the weather is now turning colder please can we kindly remind parents to ensure that their children are coming to school with appropriate warm clothing (coats, gloves etc) and also jogging bottoms over shorts for PE days.

RICHARD JAMES HALLOWEEN COMPETITION

A huge well done to all of those who entered the Richard James Halloween drawing competition we were amazed with the wonderful creations that we saw. Richard James had such a hard time picking the winners.

A massive congratulations to Charlie and Marcie (Yr4) and Raya (Yr5)

SCHOOL GATES

We sincerely apologise that an issue at school today meant the gate was opened late. We can assure you that this was not intentional. However, it is unacceptable for staff to be sworn at by parents and this will not be tolerated.

PLAY EQUIPMENT

After school can we please remind all Parents/Carers that if you allow your child to use the play equipment on the playground after school that the children are in your care and should be supervised by their adult at all times. The playground and play equipment are not manned after school by our staff and therefore their safety is your responsibility.



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OPEN DAYS FOR CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024

YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO VISIT OUR JUNIOR SCHOOL ON:

TUESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

SLOTS AVAILABLE ARE: 9AM AND 10AM

YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OUR HEAD, KEY STAFF MEMBERS, STUDENT LEADERS AND TOUR OUR SCHOOL.

COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT GRANGE JUNIOR SCHOOL HAS TO OFFER!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU.

TO BOOK A PLACE, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 01793 822405 OR EMAIL admin@grange-jun.swindon.sch.uk

The deadline for applications is midnight on 15th January 2024.

Applications for school places are made to the Swindon School Admissions Team:
https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20071/school_places_and_admissions/427/primary_school_places_and_admissions/3

Visit our school website for more information at <https://grange-jun.swindon.sch.uk/about/admissions>

Experience...

£3.50 Adults
£1.00 Children
Under 3s go free

CHRISTMAS

AT STEAM



10am to 5pm

2 & 3 December 2023

STEAM
Museum of the Great Western Railway

STEAM - Museum of the Great Western Railway
Fire Fly Avenue, Swindon SN2 2EY

www.steam-museum.org.uk



Enjoy live choir performances and browse over 50 artisan market stalls set amidst famous GWR locomotives. Santa's Storytime* completes the festive magic.

*For an extra charge.

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Christmas CRAFT FAYRE

AT ST. MARGARETS CENTRE
KEVIN CLOSE, SLOTHOON, WILTSHIRE, SN3 4NY

We learn through play

St. Margaret's pre-school

November
18th
12pm - 2pm

**COME AND
SHOP FOR:**

**HOMEMADE CRAFTS
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
SWEET TREATS**

**FREE
ENTRY
AND PARKING!**



BOOK A TABLE:

£10 a table and a donation towards a raffle

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