

## Year 3

This week in Year 3, we have completed our phase 3 write. We have written a letter, persuading Winter's Child to leave so that spring can begin. We have made sure that we have included the skills we have been working on such as paragraphs and conjunctions to show reason and cause.

In maths, we have continued looking at subtraction mental methods. We have used what we know to spot patterns, such as: if I know that 6 - 4 = 2 then I know that 60 - 40 = 20 so 362 - 40 = 322.

Lastly, we have been finalising our Festival of Light assembly so that we are ready for this coming Monday! We have completed artwork to show, written poems and made Christingles.

### Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been tackling BIDMAS in maths. They have been incredibly successful with this unit of work and lots of children have been working on Deepen Its. What a great achievement! In writing, we have been completing our final Phase 3 write of the term. Children have been writing speeches from Ebenezeer Scrooge to persuade the audience that he is a transformed man. They have used a wide range of persuasive techniques and have shown they can use great emotive language. Furthermore, it has been great to see Year 6 embracing their SATs homework over the last two weeks. It is allowing them to consolidate the learning taking place in school and we are pleased to see their positive attitudes towards it. To finish off our week, all children have made their own Christmas tree decoration ready for our Christmas tree festival. Don't forget to come and see our creations.

### Year 4

This week in year 4, we have been writing our phase 3 writes. We have been writing a letter to the Government to persuade them to do more for the refugees of the world. This has been inspired by our book "The Boy at the Back of the Class".

In maths, we have been looking at the subtraction method of counting on when two numbers are close to each other.

In geography, we have been looking at the top 7 summits in the world and locating them using atlases.

## Year 5

This week in maths, Year 5 have been studying the properties of numbers including prime numbers, composite numbers, square numbers and cubed numbers.

Our English lessons have been devoted to persuasive letter writing based on our book Wonder. In our Reading lessons we have been answering comprehension questions based on Christmas adverts.

In Geography we have been asking the question – How sustainable is my local community?

Our science investigation this week was looking at thermal conductors and insulators and testing the resistance of different materials using electrical circuits.

This week's art was to make our Christmas tree decorations.

# EARLIER CLOSING - LAST DAY OF TERM 19<sup>TH</sup> DEC

Children are invited to wear non-school uniform for the last day of term. Please also note that Grange Junior school will be closing at the earlier time of 1:30pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December for the Christmas holidays. We will return to school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024.

# **FOGS CHRISTMAS MARKET**

A massive thank you to our wonderful FOGS for organising such a fabulous event. The children had a great time browsing and shopping for themselves and loved ones.

# **END OF TERM 2 KEY DATES**

Monday Festival

11<sup>th</sup> of Light

December Assembly

Year 3 children invite their parents to an assembly in the school hall at 9am.

Wednesday School
13<sup>th</sup> Christmas
December dinner

School Christmas dinner for those who booked for one via ParentPay.

Monday Class
18<sup>th</sup> Christmas
December parties

Children will be having class Christmas parties in the afternoon on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Tuesday Non
19<sup>th</sup> Uniform
December day and early closing time

Children are invited to wear non-school uniform for the last day of term.

\*\* Please also note the school closure time of

1:30pm for the last day of school Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec\*\*



## SWINDON FOOTBALL **COACHING COURSE**



### AT: GRANGE LEISURE CENTRE

GRANGE DRIVE, SWINDON, SN3 4JY STARTING: FRIDAY 5TH JANUARY 2024

Fridays: Group 1: Reception & Year 1 = 4.00pm-5.00pm Group 2: Year 2 & 3 = 5.00pm-6.00pm Group 3: Year 4

= 6.00pm-7.00pm Group 4: Year 5 & 6 = 7.00pm-8.00pm

#### Dear Parents

I am pleased to inform you that, due to the huge success of our football courses over the last 22 years, we are following up the football coaching programme for the season starting in January 2024. The course will run for approximately 12 weeks and the programme is for boys and girls aged between 4 and 12.

#### About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by F.A qualified coaches, who are DBS checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential soccer techniques, building CONFIDENCE, improving FITNESS and providing the most important ingredient FUN!

  Children will be supervised at all times, although parents are welcome to stay and watch.

  Each child will be provided with a football for individual practice and their progress will be recorded each week.

- It is an **indoor** course held in the sports hall, therefore children may wear trainers and sportsw
- Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Bromwich Albion and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement

#### Presentation of trophies and award

- On the final week of the course we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE** AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.
- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including 'premier league' and 'penalty shoot out' competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation and watch the children being presented with their awards, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.

The cost of the course is £8 per week; payment is made in 2 simple instalments, with the first payment of £48 for the first 6 weeks due on week 1. (Second payment will not be due until week 7 which will cover the second half of the course). Please Note: Places are limited, therefore bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

> TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT: GRANGE + CHILD'S NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2, 3 or 4) and receive confirmation by text to: 07827 322780

> > 1-1 Instrumental music lessons at school, online Swindon or at home. Music Piano, Drums, Guita odwind, Brass and St Co-operative providing 1-1 instrumental lessons in schools across Swindon and Wiltshire since 1998. Swindon

Our alm is to develop each pupil's musical potential according to their individual needs and aspirations. Quality of feaching is monitored through regular observations of all our teachers

For more information or to apply please scan the QR code below



