



Grange Junior School

Round Up Term 3 – Issue 4 – 2023

Termly Value – Aspiration

Year 3

In Maths we have continued our work on column addition where regrouping is required in multiple columns. We have also revisited the different adding strategies rounding and adjusting and partitioning and recombining.

In our tag rugby PE lesson, we have practiced passing the ball backwards whilst travelling and continued to work on our dodging skills.

In English, we have started to learn about apostrophes for possession and adverbs for frequency. We have combined these features to write sentences to describe a dragon.

Year 4

This week, we have been looking at how to use apostrophes for possession in writing. We have been looking at singular and plural possessions. The children have loved using these in their diary entries.

In maths, we have continued to work on column addition and how to exchange within the columns. We have also revisited how to line them up correctly.

Year 6

In science, this week, Year 6 have been exploring the use of a data logger to collect measurements about the brightness of a bulb. We discussed how it is important to take repeated measurements to check the accuracy of your results and ensure you have a fair test. In computing, we have thoroughly enjoyed building games using Scratch. We have discussed how variables work and built algorithms which factor in these variables. The children particularly enjoyed building their own ping pong games. Our history topic this term is Ancient Greece. As part of this unit of work, we have been analysing sources including Greek pottery and written accounts of 'The Battle of Marathon.'

Year 5

This week, Year 5 have enjoyed looking at colour theory within our art unit of work. We created our own colour wheel and looked at warm and cool colours, focusing on how they can add to the atmosphere and mood of our artworks. In addition, we looked at complementary colours – those colours across from one another on the colour wheel – as these will be an important feature of our own surrealist landscape creations in the next few weeks.

In science, we looked at understanding why we have night and day. We used a torch and a ball to show how the rotation of the Earth causes this.

SCHOOL READING VOLUNTEERS

Grange Junior School are looking for parent helpers to hear the children read in school. Reading is an important part of our curriculum. If you are able to offer any time to hear the children read, we would love to hear from you. You can make a real difference! Please contact the school office for more information.

NSPCC DRESS FOR DIGITS DAY FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY

Next Friday 2nd February children are invited to 'Dress up for Digits' by dressing up in 'number-related' clothing. This could be a football shirt with a number on the back or a totally homemade outfit! We are asking children to make a suggested donation of £1 to raise money for the NSPCC via our JustGiving Page -

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/grangejuniorschoolnspcc>

We look forward to seeing everyone's outfits!

NSPCC KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE GAMING WORKSHOP

FREE workshop for parents / carers about keeping children safe when gaming this year, the NSPCC launches its first Game Safe Festival. They are bringing together key players to make sure children have positive gaming experiences. And they're helping the adults in their lives have the knowledge, confidence and tools they need to help keep children safe when they game.

The free workshop will take place on Zoom on **Wednesday 7 February 2024, 7-8pm**. Please see the attached flyer below for information on how to join up to this free workshop.

GIRLS FOOTBALL MATCH UPDATE

A huge well done to Grange Junior's Girls Football Team who played against St Mary's Primary School on Tuesday 23rd January in a Cup Match. Despite the horrible weather conditions, the girls played incredibly and won an amazing 7-0.

FOGS PROJECTS

As a school we are very lucky to have such an active FOGS team and the ongoing support from our families.

We wanted to share with you how some of the money was spent last year and share our plans moving forward.

Our Sensory Room

Last year we used money raised in school to fund the creation of our Sensory Room. This is a space that can be accessed by all children as required and provides a safe, calm place for a brain break. We think it looks great!



Reading Books

Reading is something we place a high priority on as a school. Last year, we were fortunate to be able to invest in a range of new books to support children in their phonics learning and beyond.

Moving Forward

This year we have more exciting plans in place. We are in the process of further improving our library area. This will include some new seating options and ways we can display recommended books.

We are also in talks with different companies who we are hoping can help develop our outdoor learning space. We hope that this will start to take shape when the weather becomes a little kinder!

ARBOR PARENT PORTAL

Thank you to all those parents who have followed the email link sent earlier this week and successfully set up the Arbor app.

Please make sure when you have downloaded the app that you have got all notifications turned on for the app, this will ensure that you receive all live and important communications from the school as this will be our means of communication going forward.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school office (01793 822405) if you are having any problems getting set up on Arbor.



We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App



We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday

The Sunnyville School of Magic
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Enter your password

Log in

Forgotten password?

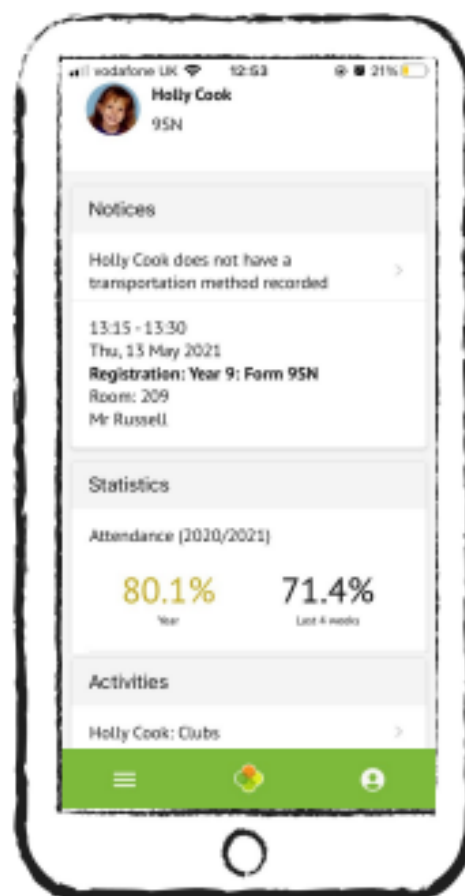
Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

1. Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to **check the email address** linked to your account.
2. **Reset your password** from the login page, or ask us to do this.
3. If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the **password link will have expired**. Ask us to send it again.
4. Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
5. **Enter the birthday** of one of your children to log in.
6. Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.



NSPCC

Online gaming and keeping children safe

Do you know your whispers from your skins? Your Fortnite from your EA Sports FC 24?

As part of the NSPCC Game Safe Festival, we're encouraging parents, carers and those working with children and families to have conversations about online gaming.

GamCare will be sharing expert advice, and you'll hear directly from young people.

Our webinar will help you:

- understand how young people game online.
- learn about tools and resources that support safe play.
- gain the knowledge you need to keep children safe.



**GAME SAFE
FESTIVAL**

**7 February 2024, 7pm-8pm, via
Zoom. Book your place via this link:
nspcc.org.uk/gamesafe/tickets**

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