

#### Year 3

In year 3 this week we have been looking at space and learning about why people explore space and why space exploration is so important to the human race. In writing we have written our narrative of Lights on Cotton Rock with a setting focus. In maths we have learnt the number of days in each month, year and leap year. The children learnt the 'knuckle technique' to remember how many days are in each month and we're sure they would love to share it with you. We have also started learning time on an analogue clock. We had an amazing trip to Stonehenge this week. The children made us very proud, representing Grange Junior School with excellent behaviour. The children continued with their learning that they took from our trip in our history lesson to identify key features of Stonehenge and how they have changed over time. In science we are investigating what plants need to grow well and have made predictions based on different variables. The children will observe the plants over the next couple of weeks to find out if their predictions were correct or not.

#### Year 6

What a great week Year 6 have had! The sportsmanship the year group have shown this week has been truly exceptional. They have worked so hard to develop their teamwork skills and to show our school value of respect on the playing field. It has been a real pleasure to observe. In Computing, the children have enjoyed exploring new software called 'Tinkercad' for 3D modelling. On Monday, they designed their own 3D name badges and we were impressed with their creativity. This week, in English, we have been writing eyewitness reports. The children have worked hard to explore using a range of sentence types in their writing.

#### Year 4

Year 4 have produced some amazing work this week. The year group have been able to produce some fantastic writing work for their phase three writes and we are super proud of all of them.

We have continued to look at decimals in maths and the children have looked at how to convert pounds into pence by multiplying and dividing by 100.

In history, we are exploring how monarchs have changed Britian overtime. This week, we looked at Henry VIII and how his reign impacted the country.

#### Year 5

In writing, Year 5 have been creating their own version of The Highwayman. Their main character is Tim the Ostler, and the students are writing the poem from his point of view. Keeping the reader in suspense and hiding the identity of the Highwayman.

Fractions have still been the mathematical topic this week. However, we are now subtracting mixed numbers and fractions, same denominator fractions and different denominator fractions.

We have been investigating gravity this week in connection with our work on Sir Isaac Newton. We dropped different sized balls on different surfaces and measuring the bounce. In Art the students enjoyed multilayered printing based on the artist Paul Nash. Were the GWR good employers was the question asked in History.

# BANK HOLIDAY REMINDER MON 6TH MAY

Reminder that there is no school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May due to the bank holiday.

# FOGS BOTTLE TOMBOLA NON SCHOOL UNIFORM FRI $17^{TH}$ MAY

Children invited to wear non-school uniform on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May in exchange for a donation for the bottle tombola for the May Fayre.

## **LABELLING CLOTHING & OTHER ITEMS**

We have noticed a large increase in the amount of un-named school uniform particularly hoodies, cardigans and coats. Please can we ask that all the children's clothing and lunchboxes/bottles etc are clearly labelled with your childs name. This makes items much easier to be returned.

### **PARKING**

Please can we kindly remind our parents to park considerately and legally around the school during drop off and collection to ensure the safety of our children, particularly where young children will be crossing the roads at these times and need good visibility to enable them to safely cross our roads. The local police and Swindon Borough Council are working closely with the school to support this.

# EURO 2024 UEFA STICKER BOOKS GRANGE LEISURE CENTRE

Grange Leisure Centre have kindly advised us that they have lots of sticker books for the EURO 2024 that parents and children are welcome to come and take for free from reception should you wish to have one.

## **SHOUTOUT RUGBY**

Congratulations to Cadel and Jack in Yr5 as they have played in 2 consecutive rugby festivals for Supermarine RFC U10's, playing 6 games of Rugby each festival, showing great strength and resilience in tough weather conditions. This was also celebrated in assembly on Friday.







# **STEAM ROADSHOW**

An interactive display of science and art activities led by scientists and teachers from local industries and schools

28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024 at Dorcan Academy Tickets £10 per family please pay at Dorcan Academy Reception

Two session available 10am to 12pm or 1pm to 3pm Refreshments for sale on the day



# TEAM WORK, FITNESS & FUN AGED BETWEEN 4-13?







Rugby isn't just a fun contact sport , rugby teaches our children respect, discipline and teamwork in a safe and fun environment.

### **COME DOWN AND JOIN US**

SUNDAYS 10AM Starting back in September

SWINDON RFC - GREENBRIDGE ROAD



