

Grange Moor January Newsletter Primary School

Dear Families

Wednesday 15th January 2025

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year. It feels guite strange wishing you all a Happy New Year, when last week felt to have lasted at least one month! Thank you for your understanding and support during all the challenges the weather brought and for working so hard in getting your children to school in such tricky circumstances. Hopefully, this week will continue to be a little kinder to us and we can get back into routines more easily. Hopefully you will have all seen the school's OFSTED report which I shared last week - this remains on our website if you haven't. This was a great start to the term for Grange Moor, thank you for everyone's positivity and comments over the last week - it is very much appreciated.

Please read on for some updates around things we have coming up – February especially is quite a busy month and as always, please do email or call if you have any questions.Miss B 😣

Communication

Word of mouth is one of our most powerful tools in raising the profile of our great little school.

Please do use the website and Facebook Page if you are a user to keep in the loop and spread the word.

https://grangemoorps.co.uk

Search Grange Moor Primary School on Facebook and give the page a Like and Share

INSET Change of Dav

Just to confirm the INSET day we had planned for the 1st May 2025 has now been changed to the 24th February 2025.

After School Clubs

Monday: Art Club Tuesday: **Gymnastics** Thursday: Mini-Olympics Friday: Dodge Ball

Clubs have started back this week, there are still spaces available so do let us know if you wish to book 🐵

We have noticed a drop in numbers in after school clubs so will be sending out a survey this week to see what clubs children would like us to offer.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 7th February: Non -Uniform Number Day for whole school

Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February: School Closed for Half **Term Holiday**

Monday 24th February: **INSET Day**

Tuesday 25th February: Year 1 Phonics Parents Workshop 3:15pm in Class 1

Wednesday 26th February: Parents Evening

Number Day

On Friday 7th February we will be joining in with the Annual 'Number Day' run by the NSPCC. For a £1 donation, which we will send to the NSPCC children may come to school in non-uniform – this can be any clothes of choice but must include a number. This could be in your hair style, on your clothing, socks or shoes or with face paint. In school we will be having an all things number day! Focusing on fluency in number and TT Rockstars will be running a free competition all children can join in with.

Sports Events

As you know, we have had lots of priorities in school development over the last term and this term we want to increase the sports events more widely outside of school that we can offer to children. Being a small school transport and the cost of this, as well as limited capacity in staffing in a small team can be quite big barriers to us always being able to join in with inter school sports. We are however working on this - A letter will be sent alongside this newsletter for events we would like to offer over the Spring Term and how you can support your child to be involved if they wish.

Phonics Workshop

Mrs Whittaker and I will be running a Parent Phonics Workshop for Year 1 on Tuesday 25th February at 3:15pm in Class 1. This is to give information about the Phonics Screening Check that all children in Year 1 take in June and answer any questions you may have. We will also talk about any support you can be involved in from home too! Together is always better 3

Attendance

By the end of this week you should all have your child's second attendance report for this school year reporting on attendance for Autumn Term 2 (November - December) Please look out for these coming home in book bags on Friday.