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Grange View C.E. First School
We aim to SPARKLE!

Dear Parents

9th September 2019

NEW Friday Football lunchtime club
Our new Trident Soccer provider is now also offering a lunchtime club every Friday 12.30pm -1pm for those pupils who attend after school club on a Tuesday. Please book a place with the office for this Friday and remember your kit. Thankyou

*******FRIDAY FAMILY WORSHIP IS ON THIS WEEK *******

Stars out of school – sharing other news!
Well done Aaron in Willow class for completing the Junior Great North Run in just over 7 minutes. You star!



Flu Immunisation Programme
Children in Reception to Year 4 should have brought a consent form home last week for this to be administered in school on 17th October. Forms are being collected by the school nurse at 10am next Tuesday. Please return your form by this date as late forms cannot be submitted, thank you.

NUT ALLERGIES
We have a child in school with nut allergies therefore for the safety of the child we are now banning any nut based biscuits, bars , spreads etc in our school. This includes chocolate spreads that are nut based and any other bakes and pastries eg. Pain au chocolate, crepes , nutty biscuits etc . So sorry for any inconvenience but this is essential for the well-being of all our children. Thank you.

ALDI- Kit for Schools
Please start collecting GB stickers at your local ALDI when you spend over £30 and bring them into school to add to our school poster. We need to collect 300 stickers to get a chance of winning £20000 for our school. Thank you.

Harvest 2019
We are celebrating Harvest this Autumn in school on Fri 11th October at 9am.

Wrap around childcare
Up to now we have had a very small uptake on this provision. We would really like to continue this for the rest of this year but to make this viable we must have a minimum of 10 children using this provision. Please contact the school office to book and pay for places now for our wrap around care to ensure you get a space. 3.15-5.30pm (Mon-Thurs) and 3.15pm-5.15pm (Friday) - £3.50 for one hour or £6 for 2 hours and 15mins. Thank you.

Breakfast Club for Sept 19
Places must be booked at the office on a MONDAY and the cost is £1 per session, 8.00- 8.55am and payment must be made when booking. No places will be available without prior payment please. Doors will open at 8.00am and close at 8.30am when a member of staff will be on duty.

Online Portal Opening September 2019 - Middle, High and Secondary

The Online Portal for Admissions to Middle, High and Secondary Schools will Open in September 2019 for children transferring from First to Middle (current Year 4) – Middle to High (current Year 8) and Primary to Secondary (current Year 6). Further information can be found on the County Council School Admissions page.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO APPLY FOR A PLACE AT MIDDLE SCHOOL.

Uniform

Please ensure all uniform including wellies/shoes/PE kits are labelled with your child's name. School cannot be responsible for unnamed items.

Please remember our school uniform policy is all black shoes or all black trainers NOT Nike, Vans , sandals or any other high fashion footwear. But where a child has worn them out or out grown them we completely understand that replacements will appear as soon as possible.

School and Friends of Grange View Facebook pages

We love to share our good news and information as much as we can on the school Facebook pages but we cannot guarantee that our staff can answer any questions at all hours but do our best.

Sorry for any inconvenience

Reading

It is essential you try and read with your child every day and record in their book if you have please. In some cases parents are not support their child with this and it impacts on their learning and progress. Please help us with your child's learning by hearing them read at least **3 TIMES PER WEEK,** thank you.

Tips for reading with children of any age:

- **Set aside some time**
- **Find somewhere quiet without any distractions - turn off the TV/radio/computer.**
- **Ask your child to choose a book**
- **Sharing books they have chosen shows you care what they think and that their opinion matters. This means they are more likely to engage with the book.**
- **Sit close together**
- **Encourage your child to hold the book themselves and/or turn the pages.**
- **Point to the pictures**
- **If there are illustrations, relate them to something your child knows. Ask them to describe the characters or situation or what will happen next. Encourage them to tell you the story by looking at the pictures.**
- **Encourage your child to talk about the book**
- **Talking about the characters and their dilemmas helps children understand relationships and is an excellent way for you to get to know each other or discuss difficult issues. Give your child plenty of time to respond. Ask them what will happen next, how a character might be feeling or how the book makes them feel.**
- **And lastly, above all - make it fun!**

It doesn't matter how you read with a child, as long as you both enjoy the time together.

Don't be afraid to use funny voices - children love this! It's never too early to start reading with your baby too.

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/how-to-read-with-your-child/

FREE SCHOOL MEALS (PUPIL PREMIUM)

Some parents/carers whose income is below £16,190 per family are entitled to Free School Meals (OFSTED call this pupil premium). The school currently receives additional funding per pupil in our budget to use to support these pupils across the school. We use it to benefit every child by supporting us to have extra staff for small group

work, buy resources to support small group work and interventions. A small proportion of this funding is used to subsidise Breakfast and Afterschool clubs and support half the cost of residential and school visits.
The information is fully available on the school website for everyone to read.
If you are entitled to apply please ring the Local Authority on 01670 623592.

Punctuality
Pupils are recorded as being late for school if they arrive after the doors have closed and come in through the main school doors. Children who arrive after 9am receive an unauthorised mark.
All Doors will be locked once classes are inside and the main entrance will have to be used.

IF YOU ARE RUNNING LATE FOR ANY REASON OR YOUR CHILD IS NOT COMING INTO SCHOOL DUE TO SICKNESS OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES, PLEASE RING TO LET US KNOW, THANK YOU.

All late marks show on children's attendance registers and we will be routinely contacting parents whose children are regularly late. Our routines start the minute children arrive at school with children getting straight on with their independent work in class. Children arriving late miss out on vital learning time and find it harder to settle into the school day and some pupils get upset when they are constantly late. Please help us by ensuring your child is at school, ready to come in when the bell rings at 8.50am. We'll keep you posted on how we are doing in our assemblies and newsletters.

Attendance
All schools in the Coquet Partnership have agreed that if an unauthorised leave of absence is taken during term time and the pupil's attendance in the 12 month period leading up to the absence is less than 92%, an application to the Local Authority for a penalty notice will be made. **Our overall NEW school attendance target is 97%**.

Ofsted Attendance
To aim to an outstanding school Ofsted say- 'Pupils value their education and rarely miss a day at school. No groups of pupils are disadvantaged by low attendance. The attendance of pupils who have previously had exceptionally high rates of absence is rising quickly towards the national average'.
Grange View needs every pupil at school every day to improve our overall attendance please

NO HOLIDAYS will be authorised in term time.
We have Education Welfare Officer working with us this year who will be monitoring attendance very closely; especially the late marks so please ensure your child/ren are on the school yard for the bell at 8.50am every morning



Making a difference at Grange View
Easy Fundraising www.easyfundraising.org.uk. Please register and keep Shopping online on this website for school funds. Every penny you spend helps school, thank you.
When shopping at the coop - Supporting our local rainbows, brownies and guides with the points you earn – you all did a great job for Grange View last year ☺

Dates for diaries
- **Week commencing Mon 9th Sept - After School Clubs start**
- **Mon 16th Sept – last date for flu immunisation forms to be returned to school**
- **Fri 20th Sept - No Family Worship due staff training**
- **Mon 23rd Sept- Bigfoot PSHE Workshop for all Early Years**
- **Fri 27th Sept – MacMillan Coffee Morning in school – more details to follow**
- **Fri 11th Oct- 9am Harvest Family Worship**
- **Fri 11th Oct – final date for Scholastic Book Club orders to be in school**

Let's help every child thrive
HEALTH & WELLBEING AUDIT
MODESHIFT STARS
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND
We're working towards Artsmark Awarded by Arts Council England
The Daily Mile fit for life
SCHOOL GAMES GOLD 2018/19

- **Mon 14th Oct – parents evening week**
- **Thurs 17th Oct – Flu immunisation – whole school except Nursery**
- **Tues 22nd Oct – School photographer in school**
- **Fri 25th Oct – School closes for half term at 3.15pm**
- **Tuesday 17th Dec- Christmas performances- 10am Acorns and Oak; 2pm KS1 & 6pm KS2**
- **Wed 18th Dec- Christmas Films day**
- **Thurs 19th Dec- Christmas lunch and jumper day**
- **Fri 20th – Christmas disco/party morning. School closes at 1.30pm**

After School Clubs – Reminder of what's on offer!

Monday – Rugby (PE Kit needed)
Tuesday – Football (Football kit needed inc. shin pads)
Wednesday – Yoga (PE kit needed)
Thursday – Little Movers (PE kit needed)
Friday – Football lunch club
Karate (£2 per session to be paid up to 25th Oct £14.00).

All clubs begin from Monday, 9th September - please book places at the School Office, thank you.

Kind regards,
Louise Laskey
Headteacher

Safe to Learn section

This is a section on our newsletter where we will share and update any safeguarding information for all parents/carers to be aware of. Mrs Pat Treanor is our Chair of governors and Safeguarding governor, Mrs Laskey and Mrs Chapman are our Designated Safeguarding lead staff.

OPERATION ENCOMPASS INFORMATION

The original initiative was aimed at supporting children who are affected by domestic abuse. The next part of the project will help all children to learn about friendships, relationships, emotions and rules so that they can live and work together safely. Our Safeguarding liaison officer Karen Kirkbride will be in school this term delivering these workshops.

Operation Endeavour- This is an innovative project in which schools and colleges in Northumberland are participating, and which is run in partnership with Northumberland County Council and Northumbria Police. Operation Endeavour which commences in November 2018, aims to support children and young people who go missing from home. Children who go missing from home are at risk of significant harm and they may be vulnerable to sexual exploitation, violent crime, gang exploitation, or to drug and alcohol misuse.
As a result, following any report of a child going missing to the Police, the Police will make contact with Children's Social Care who will then communicate relevant and necessary information to nominated school staff.
Each school has members of staff (key adults) who have been fully trained in liaising with the Police and Children's Social Care when required, and will ensure that the necessary support is made available to the child or young person following their return.
I believe that this project demonstrates our school's commitment to working in partnership to safeguard and protect children, and to providing the best possible care and support for our pupils.

Onecall

Onecall is the number for all adult social care, children's services and community health enquires in Northumberland. Helping the most vulnerable to keep safe and well 24-7.

Telephone- 01670 536400