



Grange View C.E. First School

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We aim to SPARKLE!

Dear Parents / Carers

27th May 2022

****** MONDAY 6th JUNE - JUBILEE CELEBRATION AFTERNOON 1.30pm onwards******

- Families are invited to join their child to enjoy **Free** fun during the afternoon. Parents/Carers must be responsible for their child at all times. Teachers will be responsible for any children who do not have an adult with them. Parents/Carers are free to take them home afterwards.
- Come to school dressed as kings and queens or red, white and blue
- Cake bake competition – prizes to be won for the best cakes/bakes. Bring them in on the morning of the 6th please.
- Stalls, including the STOCKS.
- Games
- Refreshments for all from Mrs Palmer
- Free Ice Cream Van for children.
- Plus, lots more!



Friday 1st JULY Extra school day holiday for the Queens 70th Year Jubilee – As agreed by partnership schools.

School Council- Support for the Ukraine

Today every child will bring home a free tube of Smarties sweets. All the School Council ask in return is that you eat the Smarties but return the tubes back to school after half term filled with any coins that fit.

POCKET MONEY STALL RETURNS - after half term the School council will be setting up a Pocket Money stall selling sweets, small toys etc for the children to spend any pocket money.

THE READING CHALLENGE IS BACK!

The **Summer Reading Challenge** is an annual event aimed at 4 – 11-year-olds. Children are encouraged to read six (or more) books of their choice during the summer holidays with collectable incentives and rewards, plus a medal and certificate for every child who completes the Challenge. Our librarian Cathy will be visiting us to present a special assembly, promoting the Challenge. The STEM based theme for 2022 is...'**Gadgeteers**' and it will celebrate the key role of the imagination in both reading and the sciences. The Challenge will show children that science is all around us every day and inspire them to unleash their curiosity and creativity!

There will be lots of brilliant events, competitions and prizes to be won. Full details will appear on the library website www.mylibrary.co.uk and social media pages. A bookmark style invitation will be sent home with our children.



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Curriculum Topic reviews

EYFS- Minibeasts

Early Years have had a jam packed half term looking at different minibeasts. We have been reading our favourite Minibeast stories such as The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Mad about Minibeasts, Sharing a Shell and The Bad Tempered Ladybird. We have used our puppets to act out the stories.

We learnt all about the life cycle of a butterfly. We had our very own pet caterpillars and we watched them grow, make a cocoon and turn into beautiful butterflies. We had so much fun watching them grow for weeks and then releasing them into the wild. We also learnt the parts of a plant and planted our own sunflowers. We know all the elements needed to make a plant grow and we have enjoyed watering them each day. In Art we learnt all about the artist Henri Matisse and how he uses collage materials. We then created our own Matisse snails from collage. We also learnt the song 'A tiny Caterpillar on a leaf' and created our own musical instruments to play along with the song.

Our forest school area has been great for our many bug hunts and seeing what minibeasts we can find. We have also used the pond to look at life cycles of a frog.

We are looking forward to more learning next half term.

Elm and Beech Class Summary – All Creatures Great and Small

Despite this term being short it has been very busy and jam packed. In science we have continuing on from their learning about food chains last term and considering different animal groups and their habitats. Our outdoor area has been great for investigating pond and woodland habitats and learning all about amphibians., fish, birds and insects.

KS1 enjoyed their visit to Boulmer Beach to embed their understanding of rock pool and coastal habitats and it is safe to say the arrival of the living eggs was certainly a massive highlight, specially seeing them hatch and grow to be so big before they returned to the farm. Likewise, seeing the lifecycle of a frog in the pond and a caterpillar in our butterfly garden was a great experience.

In Geography they have been learning about human and physical features, drawing plans of our local area and using a key to identify roads, the school and other features. They then contrasted this to Cameroon, a jungle habitat which was a great reinforcement of their equator and continents work last term.

Additionally, this term we have been learning about a different world religion, Hinduism, the children have been fascinated with the different Gods and their features. We are looking forward to learning more next term and comparing to Christianity.

KS2- Willow– Inside Out

Although it has only been a short half term, we seemed to have packed a huge amount of work and activities in! This half term has been very science based, as our topic was called Inside Out and we focused on the inside of our bodies. We have been learning the names and functions of the digestive system, teeth and blood. The children were really interested in this whole topic and had lots of great questions throughout. We completed a very messy investigation where we used a pair of tights as an intestine and passed some mashed up food through it to see how it works inside of us! We also did some excellent writing about teeth from our learning in class.

We also managed to squeeze in three amazing trips out this half term! First, we joined in with a hula hooping festival with several other schools and became experts with all the hula hooping skills and tricks they taught us. Then competed in the Tri Golf competition against five other schools and came first! We were so proud of how they performed and the team skills they were showing when supporting one another in each game. We finished off our half term with our amazing residential, which every child enjoyed and made amazing memories. It was a brilliant experience for everyone and we are super proud of how they did.

Also this half term, we have been learning about Judaism. We looked at their lifestyles, special artefacts and celebration days. We will continue looking at Judaism next half term with a focus on Abraham and his importance.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - Last ones for Summer after half term.

Mon- Rugby

Tues- Miss McQuade- Craft/Lego etc

Wed- Football

Thurs- Little Movers

PRIMARY CONSULTATION

An email came out from NCC on Wednesday 11th May to all families. Please read this email carefully and respond by Wednesday 29th June. We hope all families can share their comments on this important consultation about our school in the local community. Thankyou

Please visit the NCC consultation webpage [here](#) to view the full consultation document. To submit your comments on the proposals please access the Citizen Space Response Form [here](#).

NEW INFORMATION FOR SEPT 2022

We will be writing to families after half term to inform you all about possible classes for Sept 2022. Please remember these are only subject to change if additional pupils move to the village over the summer.

The school day will be returning to pre-pandemic timings. Nursery will start at 8.45am until 11.45am. Main school will start at 8.50am and the school day will end at 3.15pm. This supports government recommendations.

Summer Term assessments

Phonic Screening Tests Y1- 6th – 10th June- Miss Darlow will be administering Phonic screening checks

Multiplication Checks Y4- begins 6th June with Mrs Timmins administering the checks

NO HOLIDAYS WILL BE AUTHORISED DURING THESE DATES.

*******NEW Diary Dates*******

- **Friday 27th May- half term**
- **JUNE IS BIKE MONTH** – Try to bike to school where you can instead of walking/car
- Monday 6th June – **PHONICS Screening starts Y1 and Y4 Multiplication checks.** Afternoon Jubilee Celebration – whole school – see above
- Tues 7th June- MESSY CHURCH in hall 3.15pm. JCSC open evening for Y4, 4.30pm
- Wed 8th June- Oak/Y1 visit the library for a Story Telling session am
- Thurs 9th June – Countryside Day Y2/3/4 all day
- Fri 10th June – Y4 Enterprise day in school. - **NON-UNIFORM FOR SWEET DONATIONS.**
- Mon 13th June – Y4 Quad Kids – all day
- Tues 14th June- Beamish - Y1/2 all day
- Wed 15th June - **CLASS PHOTOGRAPH DAY**
- Mon 20th June- Y3 Playleader training afternoon
- Thurs 23rd June- Y2/3/4 - Play in house provided from Windfarm
- Thurs 30th June- 2pm - Friends of GV Summer Fair
- Fri 1st July – School Closed Extra Day for Queens Jubilee
- Monday 4th July – Y4 Transition day to JCSC all day. Parents collect from Middle school. Further info to follow from JCSC.
- Friday 8th July – **SPORTS DAY. Morning Nursery 11am. Whole school 1pm.**
- Mon 11th July- Final week for all after school clubs
- Mon 18th July- Circus Workshop for whole school provided by the Friends of GV. Y4 leavers dinner out with staff.
- Wed 20th July – Y4 leavers Film night. 5.30pm

E-safety- Remember all you need is on our school website and Facebook page to support you at home with the internet and its use.

<http://www.grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk/website/esafety/102589>

SIMS Online payments – COVID SAFE CASH FREE SYSTEM

Thank you to all of those who have already signed up and are using it. We cannot accept cash and the SIMS system is what should be used. You should have received an activation code via email and it is very quick and easy to set up. Please follow the online instructions to set this up to make any future payments. Any issues please email or call the office. Thank you.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns at

admin@grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk

**** Please note – no cash is to be brought into school unless we ask specifically (often for the Friends of Grange View events) All payments for school lunch, milk, uniform, trips etc. should all be made online.



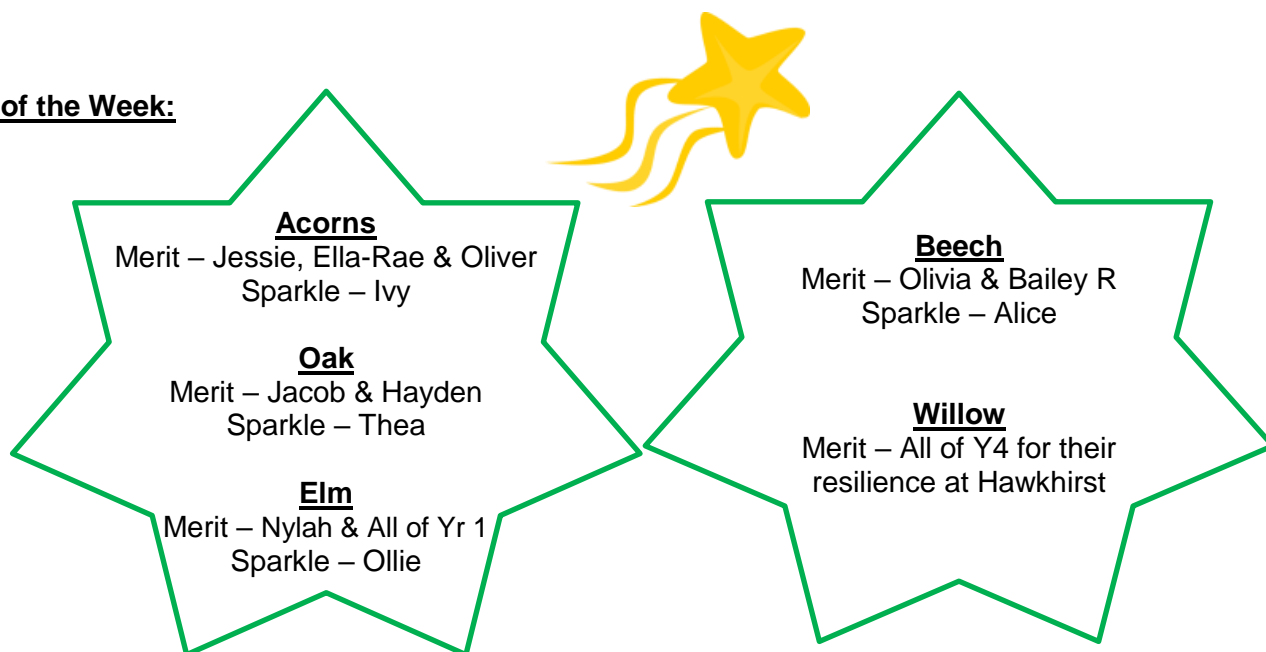
UNIFORM ORDERING

Our uniform ordering has now moved online to our supplier, Mapac. We have limited quantities of items left in school which we need to use up, and Mapac will direct you back to school for any items we still have stock of.

Everything else (and all uniform once our limited stock is gone) will need to be ordered online directly from the supplier.

You can order here: <http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/grangeviewfirstne615lz>

Stars of the Week:



SPARKLE TEA – Well done to Olivia VT, Olivia T, Logan and Nicole Br.

ATTENDANCE -The most important message is children should be in school as much as possible as every day that a child misses school, for whatever reason, they miss out on vital learning.

Week ending: 20.05.2022



Well done to Oak and Willow Classes who both won with 100%

Acorns – 93.8%

Oak – 100%

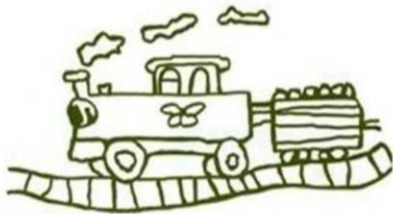
Elm – 97%

Beech – 91.9%

Willow – 100%

Our school target continues at 97%. Whole school was 95.9%

Kind Regards,
Louise Laskey - Head Teacher



WIN
1 OF 5
£100
B&Q
Gift
Cards

SUPPORT US
Through Thick & Thin

- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

To support your school, go to:
yourschoollottery.co.uk/play
and search for: **Grange View C.E**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 25th June 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).



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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 Rebecca Griffin is our Chair of governors and safeguarding governor, Mrs Laskey and Mrs Chapman are our Designated Safeguarding lead staff.



Mrs Laskey- Head



Mrs Chapman-Assistant Head

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.

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 commenced 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