



### Grange View C.E. First School

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***We aim to SPARKLE!***

Dear Parents/Carers

21.04.2023

## **Let your light shine – Matthew 5:16**

### **The Kings Coronation Day**

On Friday 5th May we will be holding a celebration of the King's Coronation on the school field at 1.15pm for all our families. Every child will be provided with a small picnic bag. Parents will also be provided with a small treat to eat and are more than welcome to bring their own additional food. Please bring a blanket to sit on with your family or share with a friend.

NORMAL PACKED LUNCHES are welcome to have a school lunch that day of pizza and ice cream, please let the office know ASAP.

The plan is to have some fun activities set up on the field and in the forest school for all to access and once complete families may take their child home.

Pupils are welcome to come to school wearing red, white or blue.

**Please can you let the office know if your child does not like ham sandwiches as the alternative will be cheese.** We hope it will be a lovely sunny afternoon for us all to have fun as a school family together!



### **RESIDENTIAL PHOTO SHOW**

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> April at 2.45pm in school hall - all KS2 parents are invited to view our photos from this year's Robinwood residential. Please come and join us to see what fun we had. Thank you.

### **Packed Lunch Reminder**

May we remind parents that any sweets are NOT allowed in packed lunches. Any found will be returned home. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)**

It's simple and easy to see if your child is entitled to FREE SCHOOL MEALS.

This is not the same as universal Free School Meals, which every child is entitled to from Reception to Year 2. You will be able to access subsidised educational visits, free milk, subsidised clubs including Breakfast Club, as well as the school receiving £1500 per pupil which supports resources and staff for your child.

The number to apply is 0345 600 6400 and they can check using your national insurance number to see if you are eligible. Please help yourself and the school by giving them a ring, thank you!



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### School Council

The school council voted to take part in weekly class litter picking around the village. Starting with Acorns, the children will come home with litter picking equipment. Please join in, take lots of photos to post on Dojo and help the children to make Widdrington look amazing!

They also voted for a Design a Poster campaign with litter picking being the theme.

### Reading Volunteers

Are you able to come along to school and hear readers in the afternoon? We would love some volunteers! Please contact the office if this is something you are able to offer, thank you!

### Curriculum Enhancements

As part of our continued curriculum developments at Grange View we have introduced our Music Spine this week across all our classes. This involves the children hearing and listening to different types of music each morning as they come into school, as well as learning about these. Every fortnight we will listen to a different type of music. This week and next we are listening to Pop through the ages 🎵🎵🎵

### Widdy Welcomes / Warm Hub

Widdy Welcomes every Thursday 10.00am - 12.30pm holds a coffee morning. A warm, friendly and welcoming place to go for a cuppa and some home-made cakes and biscuits

The Warm Hub Fridays 4pm until 6pm at Widdy Welcomes, Adults £1.50 and Pensioners and Children £1.00 if you would like to book a space please get in touch with Gareth Tate 07811130808. All welcome.

### Attendance

All the schools in the Coquet partnership are currently working together on policies and procedures to ensure every child has good attendance. Our school target remains at 97% and we are here to help every child achieve this and above over the coming months. ALL holidays in term time are unauthorised. If you need any help or advice please contact the school office. Thank you.

### Breakfast club

Our breakfast club runs from 8am and we encourage booking ahead of the day for a charge of £1. If any families need last minute urgent Breakfast club provision please just ring ahead to let us know and we are happy to help.

### **\*\*\*\*NEW AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS\*\*\*\* – SUMMER TERM - £1 per club to support cost of living crisis -**

#### **Numbers and age limits for all clubs**

Mon – Forest School with Miss Gray – 16 spaces max. ***Some spaces left – contact the office***

Tues – After school NUFC Sports club. NO singing club sorry. LUNCHTIME CLUB - Change the World - KS2 (Free)

Wed - Football

Thurs - Little Movers + Computing (Years 2 – 4 only for Computing)

If you would like to book your child into a club please contact the office, and then make payment via SIMS.

**\*\*\*Remember – Payment must be made before your child attends after school club\*\*\***

#### **\*\*\*\*\*NEW Diary Dates\*\*\*\*\***

27<sup>th</sup> April – Year 4 Parents meeting with James Calvert Spence College – 2:30pm at Grange View

2<sup>nd</sup> May - KS2 Residential photo show 2.45pm in hall for parents and children

5<sup>th</sup> May – Kings Coronation afternoon – see above

11<sup>th</sup> May – Centre for Life – KS2

15<sup>th</sup> May – Bikeability

19<sup>th</sup> May - Roots n Shoots - Year 4 (in school – Mrs Chapman will update all on Dojo with what's required)

26<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term

6<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 to leaver service at Newcastle Cathedral

8<sup>th</sup> June – Countryside Day - Year 2 & 3

23<sup>rd</sup> June – Roots n Shoots - Year 4 in school

27<sup>th</sup> June - Y3/4 visit NUFC - FREE visit

29<sup>th</sup> June – Enterprise Day - KS2

17<sup>th</sup> July – Friends of Grange View Ball Skills Workshop



**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>

### **UNIFORM ORDERING - NOW ONLINE**

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>

### **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](mailto: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.

**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: 31.03.2023**



Well done to Chestnut Class who won with 96.1%

Acorns – 91%  
Oak – 84%  
Beech – 91.1%  
Chestnut – 96.1%  
Willow – 92.4%

Our school target continues at 97%. Whole school was 91.2%

Kind Regards,

Louise Laskey - Head Teacher



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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**