



Grange View C.E. First School

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We aim to SPARKLE!

Dear Parents / Carers

21.10.2022

Let your light shine – Matthew 5:16



At Grange view we let our light shine, always sparkle and strive to achieve our God given potential.

Let your light shine brightly before others.

Matthew 5:16

Our Ethos

The children are living a Christian life where they aim to flourish and thrive, thinking about our core Christian Values; Friendship, Trust, Forgiveness, Respect and Wisdom to become lifelong learners.

******MIDDLE SCHOOL APPLICATIONS******

PORTAL CLOSES ON 31ST OCTOBER

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE APPLIED FOR YOUR CHILDS PLACE.



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WATER BOTTLES

Can we please remind everyone that only water is allowed in the children's water bottles, no juice please.

BAGS TO SCHOOL

Bags to school came home last week, please fill them if you can and return to school no later than 9th November as this is when the company will collect them from us. Please pop them straight into the car port at the school bungalow.

PUMPKIN COMPETITION

The 31st of Oct is a Training Day and Halloween, please keep your carved pumpkins and bring them in on Tuesday 1st Nov for our annual competition!



TOPIC REVIEWS

Early Years

Autumn 1 Review – All About Me.

Early Years have settled in to school very well. We have spent lots of time building friendships and learning new routines. Our topic has been 'Ourselves'. We have looked at a variety of stories, talked about our features, hobbies, interests and our families. We have used mirrors to draw self-portraits and created skeleton pictures. We have also been learning how to keep our bodies healthy and how we can keep our teeth clean. We enjoyed learning our harvest festival songs and learning the actions. We have talked about what Harvest means to us and explored autumn pumpkins.

Both Acorns and Oak have enjoyed having Little Movers as our PE lessons. We love learning new dances and playing games. Oak children have also had yoga sessions this half term. All of the children have loved our Dough Disco sessions to strengthen our fine motor skills. Oak class have started learning their Read Write Inc sounds. Acorns have started listening out for environmental sounds and instrumental sounds. We have enjoyed spending lots of time in our outdoor areas looking for signs of autumn and creating pictures with what we have found. We have had a fabulous half term.

KEY STAGE 1

Autumn 1 Review – Toys, toys, toys.

This half term the children have been learning all about toys. We looked at lots of toys that were popular in the past from the Bailiffgate museum and had a chance to look, play and compare them. We have thought carefully about the materials that toys were made from and even got to design our own.

Although we loved looking at the toys, a highlight of the half term was when we learned all about mechanisms and the children got to create their own pushes and levers following on from our science learning of pushes and pulls. We have some strong children in our class and loved exploring forces through everyday activities (and some not so every day like tug of war).

The children have really enjoyed this topic and have even been picking toy story books and fact books when visiting Cathy at the library.

KEY STAGE 2

Autumn 1 Review – Courageous Castles

The children thoroughly enjoyed the topic at the start of this school year, it kicked off with a great visit to Alnwick Castle where the children acted out storming/ guarding the Barbican, went on a historical tour of the castle grounds, asked questions first hand to learn about living in the castle during their staterooms tour and had great fun dressing up as knights and ladies in the Knights Quest.

Another thoroughly enjoyable activity has been the Year 4s learning the ukuleles with our expert from the music tuition program, something the Year 3s are looking forward to later in the year.

A surprisingly popular event was our study of imaginary and fantasy stories when all the children became immersed in how to train your dragon, their creative writing throughout the term has been very imaginative and enjoyable to read.

Our new small steps progression for English has created some wonderful instructional and persuasive letter writing. The term has been action packed celebrating Greek Day, performing their lines brilliantly for the Harvest Festival and all the children fiercely competing for roles in the Christmas play - what a wonderful term Willow and Chestnut!

****** AFTER HALF TERM SCHOOL CLUBS – this term - £2 per club - Numbers and age limits for all clubs******

Mon – No club due to only 1 pupil signing up.

Tues – After school NUFC Sports club Or Singing club. LUNCHTIME CLUB - Change the World -KS2(Free)

Wed - Football

Thurs - Little Movers

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.

Walk to school month

October is Walk to school month. Please support your child and the school by walking to school every day if possible.

Reminder - NO DOGS ON SCHOOL SITE PLEASE FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS

Applications for Middle School

Please use the online portal to apply for your child's middle school place which opens on 12th September.

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1/Yr-5-Middle-Yr-7-Secondary-Yr-9-High-entry-applica.aspx>

Portal closes on 31st October 2022.

Applications for Reception places

Online Admissions Portal for First and Primary school admissions will be open on the 1st of November 2022.

https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

If your child is currently in Nursery you will need to apply please.



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

- 8th Nov – KS2 National Glass Centre visit
- 9th Nov – Bags to School Deadline
- 14th Nov - Road safety week starts
- 16th Nov - Road Safety assembly - pupils only
- 18th Nov - Children in Need
- 8th Dec – Christmas Fair
- 12th Dec – Santa visit to school
- 13th Dec – Pantomime – Early Years
- 15th Dec – Pantomime – Years 1, 2, 3 & 4.
- 16th Dec - Christmas Film night in school – Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 from 3:15pm – 5:15pm
- 19th Dec - Mon – Early Years performances 10am
- 20th Dec – Tues – KS1/KS2 Christmas performances 2pm and 5.30pm
- 21st Dec – Wed – Early Years Party am. KS1/KS2 Christmas performances 5.30pm
- 22nd Dec – Thurs - Christmas Lunch and jumper day
- 23rd Dec – KS1/2 party morning. School Closes at 2pm for Christmas.

TT days - Mon 31st Oct 2022 & Mon 27th Feb 2023

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 very 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

**** 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.

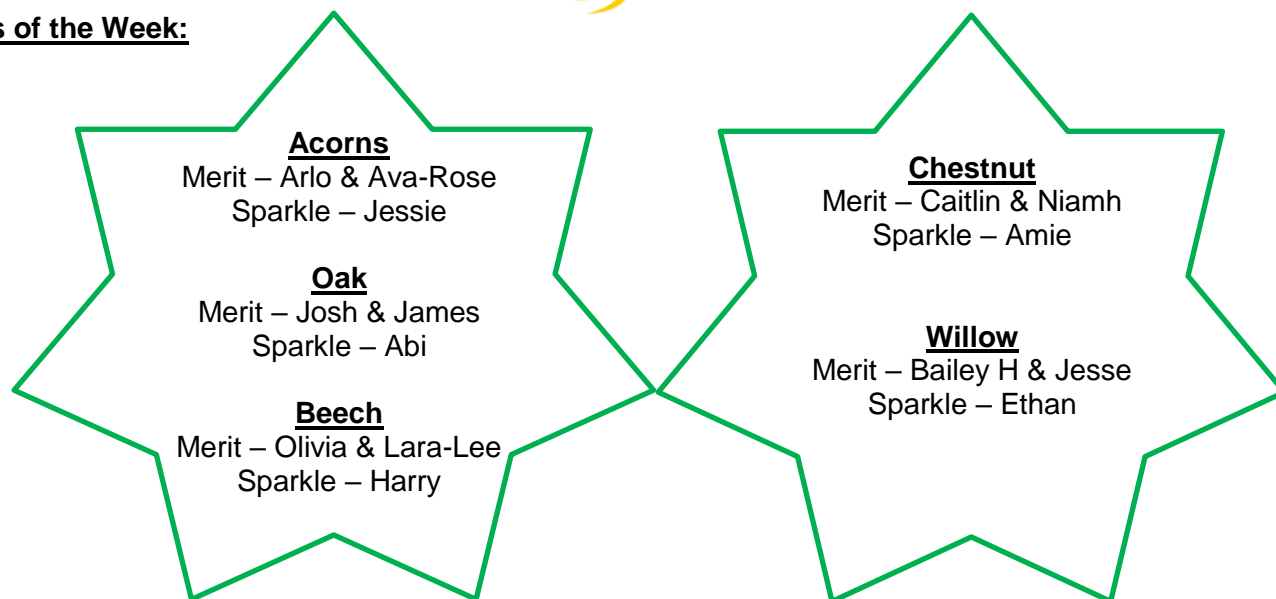


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Stars of the Week:



SPARKLE TEA – Ella-Rae, Domenica, Leo & Freya B

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: 14.10.2022



Well done to Chestnut Class who won with 100%

Acorns – 89%
Oak – 92%
Beech – 92.9%
Chestnut – 100%
Willow – 94.8%

Our school target continues at 97%. Whole school was 94.1%

Kind Regards,

Louise Laskey - Head Teacher



**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**



SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY

**It's A
WIN-WIN
Situation!**

★ **BOOST School Funds**
★ **WIN up to £25,000**

**TICKETS
£1 EACH**



To start supporting, visit:

YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play

and search for: Grange View C.E

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.



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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