

#### **Grange View C.E. First School**

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## We aim to SPARKLE!

Dear Parents / Carers 20.01.2023

## <u>Let your light shine – Matthew 5:16</u>



## POTENTIAL INDUSTRIAL ACTION

As you may well have heard in the news, the National Education Union (NEU) has announced it will commence industrial action. Planned dates for planned strike action in our region have been announced as:

- Wednesday 1 February
- Tuesday 28 February
- Wednesday 15 March
- Thursday 16 March

We are pleased to say that currently this will NOT impact on the running of the school. However, if circumstances change we will obviously give you as much notice as possible so that, should you need to, you can make alternative arrangements for your child. We will contact you as soon as we have any further information.

## **Building works**

From 25<sup>th</sup> Jan works will start on our school site in preparation of changes to the building to become a Primary school. We will also be having gas pipes installed in our grounds which will mean lots of digging and groundworks. Although all of this work will be secure and safely cordoned off we ask that all parents/carers keep their children well away from all areas being worked on. Thank you.

## **MESSY**

Messy Wednesdays begin again on Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jan with the lovely team in our school hall. Please come along with your child after school for FREE fun and refreshments.

There will be NO FOOTBALL CLUB when Messy is on.

## **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.

## Widdrington Food bank donations

Our Save the World club sent home flyers before Christmas to encourage donations for our local community. Thank you to everyone who sent items in. Please send any other items if you can direct to us as our club will be visiting and working with Mr Tate and the food bank very soon.

## Sickness and illness

Please can we remind all parents that pupils must stay at home for 48 hours if they have vomited or had diarrhoea. We have lots of bugs going around at the moment.

# \*\*\*\*AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS\*\*\*\* - SPRING TERM - £1 per club to support cost of living crisis - Numbers and age limits for all clubs\*\*\*\*

Mon - Mrs Evans - Art Club - FULL

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

Wed - Football

Thurs - Little Movers + Craft Club Mrs Waters

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.

\*\*\* Please let the office know if your child would be interested in a foreign language club \*\*\*

## **GEOGRAPHY THEMED WEEK**

As a staff we have decided to give every subject its own spotlight. Previously, we have had European languages day and Interfaith week this year. On the last week of term we will be having a Geography week, where the children will be focussing on a specific continent, learning about its culture and traditions. This will result in a fabulous fashion show on the Friday. We would like to invite parents in to school to help with our crafty projects on the following days:

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Oak class parents are invited in from 2.30pm

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Beech class parents are invited in from 1.30pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Chestnut and Willow class parents are invited in from 1.30pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February – all parents are invited to watch the fashion show in the hall at 2.30pm

We are very excited to continue to have parents in school and showcase our wonderful curriculum and children's achievements. Hope you can join us.

## WORLD BOOK DAY - Thursday 2nd March

We always enjoy dressing up and embracing our love of reading at Grange View. This year, we have arranged for a local author to come and run forest school inspired sessions with each of the classes based on her woodland themed stories. As a result, we are asking all children to come dressed this year as an animal from a story they enjoy. As always, they can bring in their favourite book, and parents are invited into school at 2.30pm to find out in the hall what they have been doing with the author.

## **NSPCC Numbers Day - Thursday 9th March**

We love maths at Grange View so wanted an opportunity to show you all how much fun we have with numbers. In collaboration with the NSPCC we are inviting parents into school on our Numbers day on Thursday 9th March. During the day will be doing lots of fun mastery activities, listening to maths themed stories and are invited to dress up representing numbers or anything maths related (e.g. shapes). Parents of children in Oak, Beech, Chestnut and Willow are invited into class from 11-12 to see what materials we use to help with our maths and play some games. We will also be holding a stay and play for Acorns that morning, please check dojo for a message form Mrs Waters about the timing of your slot.

















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

23rd Jan - Pupil first aid training

27th - Big Bird Watch RSPB

1st Feb - Cookie and Crispie sale after school by Save the World Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Feb - £1 Non-uniform Day for Widdy Food Bank

6th Feb - Dog Trust visit

9th Feb - Artist visit to KS1

14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Y1 Multi-skills festival

16th Feb - Y4 Gymnastics festival

2<sup>nd</sup> March - World Book day

8<sup>th</sup> March - Vision Screening Reception

13th March - Y4 Skipping festival and Geography week

16<sup>th</sup> March - Scootability

31st March - Easter Break

TT days - Mon 27th Feb 2023

<u>E-safety</u> - Remember all you need is on our school website and Facebook page to support you at home with the internet and its use <a href="http://www.grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk/website/esafety/102589">http://www.grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk/website/esafety/102589</a>

## **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 <a href="mailto:admin@grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk">admin@grangeview.northumberland.sch.uk</a>

\*\*\*\* 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.







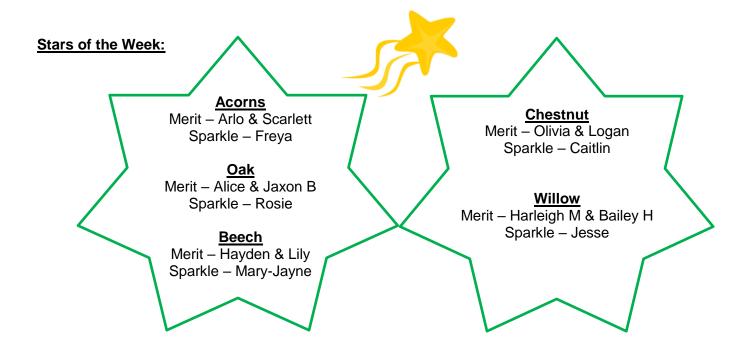












## SPARKLE TEA - Owen, Alice Bu, Rory T & Ben

<u>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.</u>

## Week ending:



Well done to Willow Class who won with 98.1%

Acorns – 95.3% Oak – 95.3% Beech – 94.3% Chestnut – 91.1% Willow – 98.1%

Our school target continues at 97%. Whole school was 94.8%

Kind Regards,

Louise Laskey - Head Teacher



















- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Win a whole YEAR of HelloFresh!
- · Please help give our fundraising a boost
- Save money and eat fresh in 2023

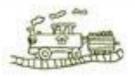
# PLAY NOW:

Go to

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk Search for: Grange View C.E







Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. See website for Terms & conditions. Enter by 25/02/2023.



















#### 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 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.

<u>Operation Endeavour</u> - 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















