



# The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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No. 1 Autumn Term 2024

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

A very warm welcome back to the new school year! It has been great to see children returning refreshed and ready for all the excitement that the new term will bring. It is a pleasure to bring you the very first newsletter of a new era - The Grange Primary School is now part of the Lydiate Learning Trust.

### Keeping your child safe in school

On our website with this newsletter and coming home with your child today, please see details of steps that we will be taking to ensure that our school is the safest and most secure environment it can be. Events this summer have served to remind us all that nothing is more important that your child's safety. We are proud of how safe and secure our school is but we recognise that improvements can always be made.

The attached letter details how you can help. It explains where parents and carers are permitted to go on our site and where we ask that you avoid. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation with the new measures.

# Dropping off and collection of children in Nursery

One of the safety measures that we will be continuing from the end of last term involves the collection of children in the Nursery at the end of the morning session and the dropping off of children for the afternoon session

Both will now take place at the school's front entrance. Nursery staff will bring and greet children in the entrance foyer. This will mean that the opening of the gates at the top of the front playground and the gate used for access to the Nursery and to Class Seven in the mornings and at the end of the day will not need to be opened during the day.

### After-School Clubs

Details of this term's after school clubs will be issued next week. Clubs will start in the week commencing Monday  $16^{th}$  September.

# <u>Flu immunisation - a message from the School Health Team</u> <u>Flu vaccinations will take place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</u>

Your Child's flu immunisation is due this term. It's important that all parents/carers read and respond to this message to avoid receiving further telephone calls, texts and letters from our service.

Please visit <a href="https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/">https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/</a> and complete your Childs flu form with a yes or no by the 13/09/24, you can select the nasal spray for the best protection or the alternative injectable flu if required. Any forms completed late may result in your child not receiving their flu immunisation at the school session. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will help to protect them as well as more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu this year. If you require any further support, please contact the Sefton school immunisation team on 0151 247 6130 who will be happy to help.

## Exciting developments for our Early Years children

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September work will start on the installing of a new all-weather flooring surface in the Reception Class outdoor learning area and the construction of timber outdoor leaning spaces in the outdoor learning areas of both Reception and Nursery. Work is scheduled to take two weeks and we look forward to this huge enhancement of outdoor learning opportunities for our youngest pupils.

# Some new school year reminders

Please remember:

- \*Only small, plain, spherical ear studs can be worn to school on non-swimming days. Ear rings or hoops are not allowed
- \*School uniform regulations state that polo shirts should be yellow
- \*Parents/carers are not permitted to drive onto the school car park without prior authorisation
- \*Children must dismount from bicycles and scooters on entering the school site
- \*Dogs are not allowed on the school site (except assistance dogs)

# SEND parent/carer communication focus group sessions

For details, please see the Parents section of our website under Information for Parents.

# Maghull High School Open Days

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 6.00 - 9.00 p.m. Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term 2024

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September After-school clubs start this week

Monday 30th September Harvest gifts to be sent to school from this week

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October Parents meetings - details to follow

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October Half term starts Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October Staff training day

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Term re-starts

Wednesday 13th November Parents open afternoon

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust

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Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Flu vaccinations

After-school clubs finish this week

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Christmas service - St. Oswald's Church - 10.00 a.m.

Reception - Year Two Christmas performances - a.m. and p.m.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December Nursery nativity Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Santa Dash

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Years Three - Six Christmas performances - p.m. and evening

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Term ends at 1.30 p.m.

# Term dates for 2024 - 2025

### Autumn Term 2024

Starts: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September Half Term: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November Ends: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

# Spring Term 2025

Starts: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January Half Term: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February Ends: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

# Summer Term 2025

Starts: Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April Half Term: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Monday 2nd June Ends: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Please note, the above dates contain some changes to those previously published. Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February will now be a staff training day and the summer term will end on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July and not Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025.

With my best wishes to you all, Daniel Hains - Headteacher