



# The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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No. 2 Autumn Term 2024

Friday 13th September 2024

#### Keeping your child safe in school

Thank you so much for your understanding of the additional measures that we have taken to further ensure your child's safety and security on our site. I am grateful to those of you who have taken time to tell me that you appreciate these steps.

Please remember, unless you are collecting a child in Class 7 - 12 in the hall at the end of the school day or if you need to visit the office with an enquiry, you should not wait in the reception foyer.

The new arrangements for dropping off and collecting nursery children at the front entrance in the middle of the day have also been smooth - thank you for this.

#### After-School Clubs

There has been a great response to the invitation to take part in after-school clubs this term. I'm am delighted to say that if you have requested a place for your child, he/she has a place - clubs will be full but not oversubscribed. Your child will bring home a letter today confirming her/his place.

Clubs begin next week - see below.

#### Clubs Next Week

Monday - Playcourt Football - Yrs. 3 & 4 - on the Playcourt

Monday - Choir - Yrs. 3 - 6 - Hall

Tuesday - Table Top Games - Yrs. 5 & 6 - Class Six

Thursday - Lego and Construction Kits - Yrs. 3 & 4 - Class Three

Please collect your child from the front of the school at 4.15 p.m.

#### Parents' Meetings

Details of the first opportunity for you to meet with your child's new teacher are:

Classes One - Six - Wednesday  $2^{nd}$  October - Meetings will be held in your child's classroom at 3.30 p.m. and 3.50 p.m. We are offering two meetings so that parents/carers with more than one child in the school can attend both. Please attend the meeting for your youngest child first.

Reception Class - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Welcome coffee morning and meeting with staff in the staffroom at 9.00 a.m.

Classes 8, 9, 10 and 12 - Wednesday 9th October - For new starters in the staffroom at 2.30 p.m.

Classes 7 and 11 - Thursday 10th October - For new starters in the staffroom at 2.30 p.m.

This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and learn about the routines and expectations in her/his new class.

#### Height and Weight Screening for Year Six Children

As part of the annual national programme of height and weight screening, children in Year Six will be weighed and have their height measures on Wednesday  $2^{nd}$  October. A date for Reception children will be set later in the year.

#### <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.

#### Celebrating Good Attendance

Our weekly celebration of great attendance started in today's assembly.

The winner of the 100% Attendance Prize for the term to date (100% attendance and prompt arrival) was Tia Bassnett-Hughes (Class Six) and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class Eight - Well done Tia and Class Eight!

#### SEND parent/carer communication focus group sessions

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

#### National Autistic Society

Please see details with this newsletter on how to support your autistic child. This programme is designed for children under the age of five.

#### Applying for a Place at High School

The window for applying for a High School place in September 2025 is now open. If you have a child in Year Six, you must follow the instructions on the letter posted on our website today or visit:

#### www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool

Parents/carers of ALL Year Six aged children MUST apply for a mainstream high school place, this includes children in Classes 8, 9, 10 and 12 who are unlikely to attend a mainstream school. We appreciate that this may appear to be an unnecessary exercise but it remains the only way of your child being in the system to gain a place in a special school or similar.

The closing date for registering for a high school place is 31st October 2024.

#### High School Open Days

Holy Family Catholic High School - Monday  $16^{th}$  September - 4.30 - 8.00 p.m. Litherland High School - Thursday  $26^{th}$  September - 4.30 - 7.30 p.m. Maghull High School - Saturday  $5^{th}$  October from 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon

#### Free Legal Advice Drop-In Service

I am very grateful to MSB Solicitors for their continued generosity in offering free legal advice to Grange families. Please see the flyer with this newsletter and, if you need to, make an appointment to meet with MSB legal advisors on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November from 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon when they will be visiting our school.

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term 2024

Monday 16th 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 - Classes 1 - 6 (see above) Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October Parents meeting - Reception class (see above)

Wednesday 9th October Parents meeting - Classes 8, 9, 10 & 12 (see above)

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October Parents meeting - Classes 7 & 11 (see above) Thursday 24th October Half term starts Friday 25th October Staff training day

Book Fair this week

Term re-starts

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November Parents open afternoon

Friday 15th November Children in Need

Monday 4th November

Wednesday 27th November Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust Thursday 28th November Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust Friday 29th November Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust

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 17th December Years Three - Six Christmas performances - p.m. and evening

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch

Friday 20th December Term ends at 1.30 p.m.

#### Term dates for 2024 - 2025

#### Autumn Term 2024

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

#### Spring Term 2025

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

#### Summer Term 2025

Starts: Wednesday 23rd April Half Term: Monday 26th May - Monday2nd June# Ends: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

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

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend!

Daniel Hains - Headteacher





To find out more visit: www.autism.org.uk/earlybird

## Has your child received an autism diagnosis or on the pathway for a diagnosis?

Join the National Autistic Society's EarlyBird programme to learn more about autism and how you can support your child.

EarlyBird programme

Meet other parents and share experiences on our 10 week face to face programme. Designed for families whose child is under five, we can help you understand autism and support your child, including:

- supporting interaction
- · understanding sensory differences
- developing play
- interpreting behaviour

"I will be forever grateful for the opportunity to go on EarlyBird when Daniel was young, because he's doing amazing now."

This is your local licensed EarlyBird group leader, trained by the National Autistic Society.

Contact them for more information

tina.galletly@sefton.gov.uk

#### Information and support

This Earlybird programme will be held at Raven Meols Community Centre, 225 Park Road, Formby, L37 6EW aimed at parents living in the north of the borough.

Our parent information session will be held online on Wednesday 25th September at 4.00pm, please email Tina Galletly regarding access to the Zoom session.

(NB. To be considered for a place on the programme you must attend the information session)

Get free resources and expert advice on a wide range of issues affecting autistic people and their families. Visit www.autism.org.uk

The National Autistic Society is a charity registered in England and Wales (269425) and in Scotland (SC039427)



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# Free Legal Advice Drop in Service

#### MSB Solicitors can advise in the following areas of law: -

- Care proceedings (including people who care for non-biological children-intervenors)
- Pre proceedings involving the Local Authority (PLO)
- · Child In Need involving the Local Authority
- · Special Guardianship Orders
- Domestic Violence issues Injunction proceedings (Non-Molestation order/ Occupation Order)
- Issues regarding children from separated parents
- Divorce/ finances within a marriage separation agreements
- Co-Habitee Disputes (partners living together, not married)
- Relocation (moving abroad or out of the area)
- Child Abduction
- Forced Marriages
- Honour-based violence

#### Other areas of law: -

- Criminal
- Personal injury
- Residential Conveyancing
- · Commercial Property
- Employment of businesses
- Employment for individuals
- Social Housing

### Come and see us at: -

The Grange Primary School,
Stonyfield,
Netherton,
L30 0OS

(telephone to book appointment slot - 0151 318 5749)

