



# The Grange Primary School and Nursery

## NEWSLETTER

[www.thegrangepimary.com](http://www.thegrangepimary.com)

No. 6 Autumn Term 2024

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### Children's University

We are very proud of our partnership with Children's University but, from time to time, it becomes apparent that reminders are needed about what it is and why we value it so much.

Children's University is a national charitable organisation that celebrates learning that takes place outside of school hours. Pupils collect 'credits' for the time they spend outside of school hours in a huge variety of learning activities in the local community and as part of our school after-school clubs programme.

Credits for all external (out of school) activities are recorded in Children's University Passports and at the end of Year Two and Year Six, children with a specified number of credits are invited to attend a graduation ceremony at Edge Hill University.

Your child has brought home an information sheet about Children's University today. It can also be found on our website.

On Monday we will welcome Laura Ashcroft from Children's University to speak to children in assembly and to present certificates to over 50 children who have moved up to the next award level in the last year.

**CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY IS A BRILLIANT MEANS OF CELEBRATING WHAT CHILDREN DO BEYOND THE CLASSROOM WHILE AT PRIMARY SCHOOL. THE WONDERFUL ANNUAL GRADUATION CEREMONY IS ONLY FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE GAINED CREDITS.**

### Parents' Meetings

Many thanks to parents/carers of children in Classes 7 - 12 who attended Parents' Meetings this week. I hope you found them to be informative.

### 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 Kit - Yrs. 3 & 4 - Class Three

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

### Harvest donations

Today was the final day for harvest gifts to be donated and the huge pile of food that you have so generously brought into school was displayed in this morning's assembly. Donations will now be given to the Community Pantry.

### Celebrating Good Attendance

The winner of the 100% Attendance Prize for the term to date (100% attendance and prompt arrival) was Rosie Ulfing in Class Twelve and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class Two - Well done Rosie and Class Two!

### **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.

### **Do you have a child born between 01.09.2020 and 31.08.2021?**

#### **Applying for a Reception Class place in 2024**

Application for Reception Class places must be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Please visit

[www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool)

Information is also available on posters around the school and from the school office.

Please remember, if your child attends The Grange Nursery and you would like him/her to attend our Reception Class next year you must apply. A Nursery place does not guarantee a Reception place.

### **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](http://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 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.

### **Football Update**

Our girls team have had a great (and very busy) week! They defeated All Saints 4-3 on Tuesday, Litherland Moss 3 - 0 yesterday and are performing in a tournament today.

### **Dates for your diary - Autumn Term 2024**

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
	Book Fair this week
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Open Afternoon
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Free legal advice - drop-in session
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Year Five residential trip to Crosby Hall Educational Trust
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> 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 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Years Three - Six Christmas performances - p.m. and evening
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Term ends at 1.30 p.m.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend!  
Daniel Hains - Headteacher

## Transition Workshop

For Families with SEND children in Year 5 and Year 6:  
*Choosing a school and preparing your child for the move*

Book @ [inclusion.training@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:inclusion.training@sefton.gov.uk)

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

\*\*\*\*\*A choice of time slots available\*\*\*\*\*

9.30am – 11am

1.30pm – 3pm

5pm – 6.30pm

\*\*\*\* **ONLINE MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING** \*\*\*\*

**Microsoft Teams** Need help?

**Join the meeting now**

Meeting ID: 354 205 765 118

Passcode: euxPfA

*Hosted by: Dawn Makinson, Jenny McNeilis and other key members of  
Sefton SENIS*

### **How to attend:**

You can join the workshop virtually from your own home by downloading the TEAMS app or join via your web browser.

**Just book on to the time slot that suits you @**  
**[inclusion.training@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:inclusion.training@sefton.gov.uk)**

### **What will be covered during the Workshop:**

- What is transition: macro and micro – activity – consider what your child can do independently, with support and what skills they already have / what to work on?
- What you as a parent/carer is looking forward to / worries about transition
- What your child is looking forward to / worries about transition
- How you can prepare your child for transition
- Choosing the right school: Questions to ask school / visits – toolkit provided.