

The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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No. 3 Autumn Term 2025

Friday 19th September 2025

Clubs Next Week

Monday - Playcourt Football - Yrs. 3, 4, 5, 6 - on the playcourt

Monday - Choir - Yrs. 3 - 6 - Hall

Monday - Storytime - Yrs. 2 - 3

Monday - Tabletop Games and Lego Yrs. 2 - 3

Tuesday - Playtime Pals - Yr. 6

Thursday - Hammer Beads - Yrs. 4 - 5

Thursday - Playdough - Yr. 1

Thursday - Mindfulness and Wellbeing - Yr. 2

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 1^{st} 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 2nd October - Welcome coffee morning and meeting with staff in the staffroom at 9.00 a.m.

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

Classes 7 and 11 - Thursday 9th 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.

Cycling to School

Children are encouraged to cycle, scoot and walk to school. We regularly remind children of the health and environmental benefits of not coming to school by car.

If your child comes to school on a bicycle or scooter, please help us by reminding them that:

They must come off their bike or scooter when they enter the school site

They must not ride their bike or scooter on the school grounds (i.e. playgrounds and the car park)

Bikes and scooters must be left in the cycle shelter on the rear playground

The use of bike locks and cycle helmets is strongly recommended

The school will take no responsibility for loss or damage to bikes or scooters, they are brought to school at the owner's risk

Thank you for your understanding and support.

TT Rockstars

Please encourage your child to play TT Rockstars at home this weekend - this applies to children in Years 3 -6.

Term Time Holidays

At The Grange Primary School and Nursery, unfortunately, we do have to abide by Local Authority guidelines to improve attendance so holidays during term time will be unauthorised. For your information, this could result in a fine from the Local Authority.

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 22^{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 Tuesday 30th September</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.

You should have completed your child's flu form with a yes or no by last Friday (12/09/2024) and you should have selected either 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 https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/.

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.

Please refer to the primary school vaccination information pack on the website.

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 James Rankin (Class Three) and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class Twelve - Well done James and Class Twelve!

What's going on in the community?

Please see with this newsletter and previous newsletters, details of activities and events taking place in our community. They include:

SWACA Big Give Campaign

Please note: We are happy to share information that we receive about events going on for children and parents in the local community. This should not be viewed as an endorsement from the school.

Applying for a Place at High School

The window for applying for a High School place in September 2026 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 2025.

High School Open Days

Maghull High School - Saturday 11th October - 10.00 - 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 20th November from 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon when they will be visiting our school.

Dates for	your diary	/ - Autumn	Term 2025
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Class 7, 8 & 11 - New starter parents/carers meeting - 2:30 p.m.

Thursday 9th October Class 9, 10 & 12 - New starter parents/carers meeting - 2:30 p.m. Friday 31st October

Deadline - Secondary applications (see local high school websites for open days)

Term dates for 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Starts: Wednesday 4th September Half Term: Friday 24th October - Friday 31st October Ends: Friday 19th December

Spring Term 2026

Starts: Tuesday 6th January Half Term: Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February Ends: Friday 27th March

Summer Term 2026

Starts: Tuesday 14th April Half Term: Monday 25th May - Monday 1st June Ends: Friday 17th July

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend!

Gwyn Evans - Head of School





Eva House Safe Accommodation Campaign

Dear Supporters

We're very excited to let you know tha SWACA has been selected to participate in the Big Give's Women's & Girl's Campaign

That means that every donation made to our campaign value Funds for EVA House Big Give will be doubled. That right - DOUBLED.

From 12pm (midday) 8th 15th October, every pound you donate will double the difference for our charity.

So, whatever you can give, no matter the size, every donation will make double the difference in supporting us to deliveour Eva House Safe Accommodation Provision

Situation

We believe providing holistic, individualised support can have a positive impact on the outcomes for our families accessing refuge. We would like to do this by facilitating a wider range of onsite activities whilst ensuring every mother and child receivæl essential items when they arrive in service as families can often arrive with no belongings. We have restricted/ limited resources to facilitate/ enhance our practical support offer.

Solution

We are currently providing safe and welcoming accommodation women and their children, when they are unable to remain in their family home due to domestic abuse. We provide trauma informed support to empower women and children to start rebuilding their lives free from fear and abuse. With your help, we would to broaden our holistic activity offer and practical resources support package

What can you do now?

- Add a calendar reminder to your diary for 2pm (midday) 8th- 15th October, including this link Refuge Funds for EVA House Big Give. The donate button will appear on this page when the campaign starts at 12pm (midday) n 8th October.
- We'd doubly appreciate it if you could share the campaigrun a small donation drive such as a bake sale/ collection to support us and shareur campaignwith your friends, familyor social networks- anyone who may be interested in having their donation doubled

If you have any questions, dolt hesitate tocontact – help@swaca.com/ steph.mcmanniman@swaca.com

Thank you so much for your support!

Eva House/SWACA