

The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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No. 5 Autumn Term 2025

Friday 3rd October 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

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

Parents' Meetings

It was a pleasure to welcome many of you to our Parents' Meetings this week. I hope you found them helpful. For parents and carers of children in Classes 1-6 who were unable to attend, the presentations are available in the Class Pages section on the school website: https://www.thegrangeprimaryandnursery.com/children/class-pages/

Reception Class - Unfortunately, Thursday's Coffee Morning was postponed and will be rescheduled for a later date. We will be in touch soon with the new date.

There will be two further meetings next week:

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

Classes 7, 8 and 11 - Wednesday 8th October - For new starters in the staffroom at 2.30 p.m.

Classes 9, 10 and 12 - 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.

Homework Expectations

Homework is sent home so that children's learning can be consolidated at home. Sometimes when children are regularly not completing tasks at home, teachers may choose to complete these tasks with children during morning break time or lunchtime. Children will always be reminded that this is not a punishment but an opportunity to get ready for the next stage of learning.

TT Rockstars

Please encourage your child to play TT Rockstars at home this weekend – this applies to children in Years 3 – 6: https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/34616

The football season in underway!

Our school team kicked off their 2025-2026 league campaign last Friday with an impressive 6-4 victory over Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Primary School. Although they were defeated 7-2 by a strong St. Benedict's team on Thursday, they showed great determination. Well done, team!

Some new school year reminders

In this morning's assembly children were reminded of four important school rules:

- -Nail varnish must not be worn to school. Children who come to school wearing nail varnish will be given a nail polish remover pad to remove it.
- -Breaktime snacks must be fruit only.
- -Water bottles must contain still water only no fizzy or flavoured drinks.
- -Only small, spherical ear studs can be worn to school on non-swimming days no hoops or shaped ear jewellery.

 Thank you for your support in ensuring that these rules are followed.

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 measured on **Wednesday 22nd October 2025**. A date for Reception children will be set later in the year.

Reception age children - Online Health, Well-being and Lifestyle questionnaire

Parents/Carers of children in Reception class please complete a questionnaire about your child's health and wellbeing and lifestyle. Please access this link between 02/09/2025 - 10/10/2025 - https://forms.chathealth.nhs.uk/index.php/729545?newtest=Y&lang=en

Celebrating Good Attendance

The winner of the 100% Attendance Prize for the term to date (100% attendance and prompt arrival) was Elijah King (Class 6) and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class Two - Well done Elijah and Class Two!

Social Media Safety - Parent Workshop

The Mental Health Support Team will be leading a Parent Workshop on Social Media Safety on **Tuesday 21 October 2025 2.15 p.m-3.15 p.m**. If you would like to book a place on the workshop, can you please let the school office know.

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:

Aurora Entertainers Dance Flyer Aurora Entertainers Fundraising Night Aurora Entertainers Halloween Practice

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.

Free Legal Advice Drop-In Service

I am very grateful to MSB Solicitors for their continued generosity in offering free legal advice to families at The Grange. MSB will be attending our school on **Wednesday** 5^{th} **November 2025 from 9.00 a.m** - **12.00 noon**, if you would like to make an appointment can you please let the school office know.

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 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 a.m. - 12.00 noon

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 8th October

Class 7, 8 and 11 - New starter parents/carers meeting - 2:30 p.m.

Class 9, 10 and 12 - New starter parents/carers meeting - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday 21st October Social Media Safety Parent Workshop - 2.15 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. Wednesday 22nd October Year 6 Height and Weight screening

Thursday 23rd October Half-Term starts at 3.15 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

AURORA ENTERTAINERS DANCE TROUPE

Practice every Wednesday at Emmanuel Baptist Church

Tots - walking - year 1

5:30 - 6pm

Tinys - year 2 - year 6 6 - 7pm

Juniors - year 7 - year 11

7 - 8:15pm

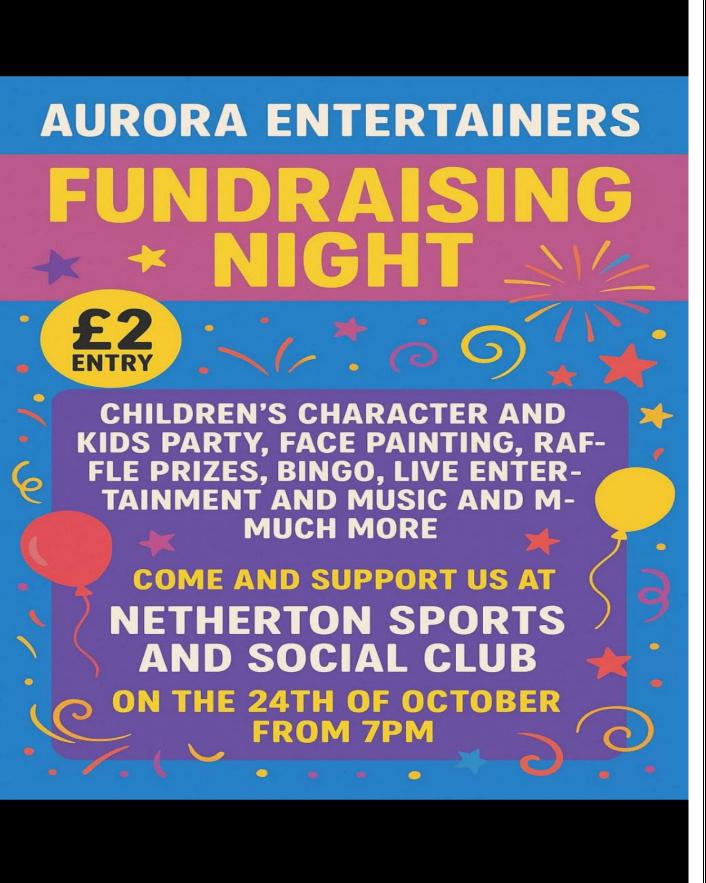
Seniors - 16+

8:15 - 9:30pm

!Practice as of the 8th October!







HALLOWEEN PRACTICE

WEDNESDAY 29TH OF OCTOBER



EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, NETHERTON PRIZE FOR BEST DRESSED