



The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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No. 9 Autumn Term 2025

Friday 7th November 2025

After-School Clubs Resume

After-School Clubs will resume next week beginning Monday 10th November.

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

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.

Marking Remembrance

You may have noticed the beautiful soldier silhouettes at the school's main entrance. I would like to once again express my sincere thanks to Mrs. Susan Doyle for her wonderful work in coordinating this meaningful part of our remembrance activities. Mrs. Doyle has also created a collection of beautiful poppies, which will be available for sale. A suggested donation of £1 per poppy is appreciated, with all proceeds going to the Royal British Legion. Class Five will lead a Remembrance Assembly on Tuesday 11th November.

Class Four Shines at Anti-Bullying Concert!

This week, Class Four wowed the audience at the British Sign Language Anti-Bullying Concert held at St George's Hall. The event was attended by special guests, including several Lord Mayors and civic dignitaries, celebrating the power of inclusion and kindness. Watch their incredible performance on YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/-ktLmxGaWWY>

Class Four - Oracy Interview with Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie

Today, Class Four had the exciting opportunity to put their oracy skills into action by interviewing Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie from the House of Lords. They asked thoughtful questions about her role and the process of making laws, highlighted the importance of oracy in schools, and sought her feedback for the House of Lords.

Parents' Open Afternoon - Wednesday 12th November 2025

Letters have been sent home this week regarding our upcoming parent-teacher meetings, which will take place on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday 12th November.

Please return your appointment request forms as soon as possible so that we can do our best to accommodate your preferred times. If you require more than one appointment (for example, if parents attend separately), please let us know.

Each appointment will last ten minutes, and it is essential that we keep to the allotted times to ensure that no appointments are missed. If you feel that ten minutes will not be enough to cover everything you wish to discuss, please arrange a follow-up meeting with your child's teacher at a mutually convenient time.

Thank You

A huge thank you to Jenny Pettit-Edge, mum of Evie in Class Six, for her generous donation of eight scooters in memory of her late mum. They'll be a fantastic addition to our new Class 1 outdoor area, and we know the children are going to have so much fun using them!

Children in Need - Friday 14th November 2025

As always, we will be supporting the national Children in Need appeal on Friday 14th November with a non-uniform day. In exchange for a donation to Children in Need (we suggest £1) children may wear non-uniform. Children wishing to wear their Children in Need/Pudsey Bear t-shirts, pyjamas, onesies and other accessories are very welcome to do so.

Swimming Reminder

Polite reminder that Class Five and Class Six will continue with their swimming lessons every Thursday throughout this half-term.

Celebrating Good Attendance

The winner of the 100% Attendance Prize for the term to date (100% attendance and prompt arrival) was Leo Burke (Class 1) and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class 2 - Well done Leo and Class 2!

Use of the school car park

We kindly ask that only families with children in Classes Seven to Twelve use the school car park including the area at the rear of the L30 centre, as this helps us keep the area safe for all our children, especially our younger ones. If you feel there are special circumstances where access may be needed, please don't hesitate to get in touch—I'd be happy to chat this through with you. Thank you so much for your understanding and support in helping us keep everyone safe.

School Nurse Online Drop-In Service - Tuesday 2nd December 2025

Our School Nurse will be holding an online drop-in session on Tuesday 2nd December at 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. Details of how to access this online session can be found on our website.

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>

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.

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.

What's going on in the community?

Please see previous newsletters for details of activities and events taking place in our community.

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.

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term 2025

Monday 10 th November	After-school clubs resume
Wednesday 12 th November	Parents' Open afternoon
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 2 nd December	School Nurse online drop-in service 9.00 a.m.- 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Monday 8 th December	After-school clubs finish this week
Tuesday 9 th December	KS1: Reception - Year Two Christmas performances - 10.00 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.
Wednesday 10 th December	Nursery nativity at 10.00 a.m.
Friday 12 th December	Santa Dash
Tuesday 16 th December	KS2: Year Three - Year Six Christmas performances - 10.00 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 19 th December	Term ends at 1.30 p.m.

Term dates for 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Starts: Wednesday 4th September

Half-Term: Wednesday 22nd 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