



The Grange Primary School and Nursery NEWSLETTER

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Friday 19th December 2025

Santa Dash

We're delighted to announce that last Friday's Santa Dash has already raised an incredible £1136.50 for our school! Thank you to everyone who took part and to all our generous sponsors. Let's keep the festive spirit alive—please continue sending in your sponsor money as we head into the New Year. Every contribution makes a difference and helps us reach even greater goals for our school community.

Christmas Events

Over the past two weeks, we've enjoyed some truly wonderful Christmas performances and productions. My heartfelt thanks go to our amazing children and dedicated staff, whose hard work and creativity have ensured that audiences in school, and the L30 Community Centre have been richly entertained and filled with the joy of the Christmas spirit. What a beautiful way to celebrate the season together!

After-School Clubs

Full details of next term's clubs will be shared in the first week of next term.

Celebrating Good Attendance

The winner of the 100% Attendance Prize for the term to date (100% attendance and prompt arrival) was Lawson Hardie-Taplin (Class 10) and the Class Attendance Award for the week was won by Class 9 - Well done Lawson and Class 9!

On-line Safety

As children spend more time online—whether for learning, gaming, or staying in touch with friends—it's important that we continue working together to keep them safe. In school, we teach children how to use technology responsibly, recognise potential risks, and know what to do if something doesn't feel right.

We encourage families to talk regularly with their children about their online activities and to set simple, age-appropriate boundaries at home. Remind children never to share personal information, to use strong passwords, and to speak to a trusted adult if they come across anything worrying or confusing online.

By staying informed and working in partnership, we can help ensure that all our children enjoy the benefits of the digital world safely and confidently.

Please see details below for further advice and guidance.

What's going on over Christmas?

Please see details and flyers attached of what is going on over the Christmas break (also uploaded on the website):

1. Christmas Sports Camps
2. Flu drop in clinic
3. Children's University Winter Challenge

Christmas Lunch

Our children and staff enjoyed a fabulous Christmas lunch with all the trimmings, lovingly prepared by our wonderful catering team, led by Mr. Tommy Shaw (Cook in Charge). The delicious meal brought plenty of festive cheer and was the perfect way to celebrate together before the holidays.



Would you like your child to attend our Nursery?

Parents/carers of children who have their third birthday before 31st March 2026 may now apply for a Nursery place - there are limited places available! Application forms are available from the main school office.

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.

Dates for your diary

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5 th January	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 6 th January	Spring term starts
Wednesday 11 th February	Year Six Residential to Condoover Hall
Thursday 12 th February	Half Term starts at 3.15 p.m.
Friday 13 th February	Staff Training Day
	Year Six return from Condoover Hall
Monday 23 rd February	Term re-starts
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 11 th March	Year Five Residential to CHET
Friday 13 th March	Year Five return from CHET
Friday 20 th March	Comic Relief/ Red Nose Day
Wednesday 25 th March	Parents' Open Afternoon
Friday 27 th March	Term ends at 3.15 p.m.

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13 th April	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 14 th April	Summer Term Starts
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th May	Year Six SATs Week
Friday 22 nd May	Half term starts at 3.15 p.m.
Monday 1 st June	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 2 nd June	Term re-starts
Friday 17 th July	Term ends at 1.30 p.m.

On behalf of the children, staff and governors at The Grange Primary School and Nursery, I would like to wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas break and every good wish for the new year.

Next term begins on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

School age flu drop-in clinics

The flu vaccine is available to all children from nursery up to year 11.



You can drop-in to one of the clinics being provided by Mersey Care's School Aged Immunisation Team.

Friday 19th December, 10.00-4.00pm at

Sefton Road Clinic, L21 9HE

Saturday 20th December, 9:30am to 3.00pm at

Manor Farm PCRC, Huyton, L36 0UB

Monday 22nd December, 9:30 to 3:00pm at

St Chads PCRC, Kirkby, L32 8RE- First floor

- ✓ Remember:** This is a drop-in service, so you may need to wait to be seen. Your patience is appreciated.

For further drop in venues please visit the living well bus timetable:

<https://www.cwp.nhs.uk/livingwellservice>

If you require an appointment time, please contact:

Liverpool School Immunisation Team: 0151 295 3833

Sefton School Immunisation Team: 0151 247 6130

Knowsley, Halton & St Helens Schools: 0151 351 8805



Winter Challenge 2025

Activity 1

Take part in the winter Reading Challenge by reading at least 3 books and registering online. Send a picture of your certificate and you will receive 3 credits.

wintermini.org.uk

Activity 2

The 2025 Festival of Winter walks takes place from 20th December-4th January 2026 and is all about wrapping up warm and getting out to your local park, forest or scenic area. After your walk, draw a map of your route and make a list of 5 things you spotted!

Activity 3

Make something yummy, on a wintry theme! There are lots of treats to choose from here [Winter Themed Food for Kids - Eats Amazing](#)
How about Mozzarella cheese snowmen, Rudolf Reindeer cakes, snowman garlic pizza bread or marshmallow penguins?

Activity 4

Have a go at one of these challenges - Either write all the letters of the alphabet down the side of a piece of paper then think up a Winter themed word beginning with each letter...or complete this wordsearch [1804adb00dbd80b0b0a4e1480a9d643c.jpg \(612x792\)](#)

Activity 5

The Wildlife Trusts have a 12 Days Wild Challenge - you can download your free pack here [12 Days Wild | The Wildlife Trusts](#)
From 25th December for 12 days, challenge yourself to a new activity each day....why not try stargazing, writing a winter poem or collecting nature treasures? Complete at least 2 activities to gain your credit!

Activity 6

Using your imagination create a model of a structure that you could shelter in during a snow storm! You could use lego, building blocks or junk materials out of your recycling bin. Remember it only needs to be a model, not life sized! You could even put some little figures inside!

Activity 7

Why not have a go at one or more of these winter themed craft activities? Choose from Northern lights art, toilet roll penguins, pipe cleaner icicles, snowman bowling and much more!
[50 Fun and Easy Winter Crafts for Kids to Make - Taming Little Monsters](#)



Collect extra Children's University credits during the Christmas holiday by completing this challenge. Each activity is worth 1 credit unless stated otherwise. Send evidence of your activity to SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk This could be a photograph, video, a work sheet, or writing about what you did. Remember to include your name and the school you attend!



Free places available at our Christmas Sport Camps

Dear Parents/Guardians,

FREE PLACES for benefit related Free school meal children

As part of the HAF program we have limited FREE places available on a first come first served basis. We will be providing a healthy hot meal and snack supplied by an outside caterer along with drinks throughout the day.

To receive a free place your child must meet the following criteria:

be eligible for benefit related Free school meals and live in Sefton

attend for a minimum 4 hours per funded day

It will be on a first come first served basis

Please state that you are eligible for the free place on the text. I have to then check this with school to confirm eligibility

Camp 1: Multi Sports at Linacre Primary School, Bootle, L20 5ED - enter via school entrance - Drop off at 9am - pick up at 3pm.

Dates: 22nd December

23rd December

29th December

30th December

2nd January

Camp 2: Multi Sports at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Birkdale, PR8 4LT - enter via big blue gate - Drop off at 9am - pick up at 3pm.

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To reserve a place please send a text to 07725189965 stating your child's name, if they are eligible for a Free place or not, all dates that you want your child to attend and your child's school and current year group.

If you require any further information please give me a call on 07725189965. **A confirmation text will be sent once booking is received. You must bring the completed form below with you on your child's first day at camp.**

Name..... Age.....

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 1

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 2

Any medical condition or food allergies to be aware of?

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Any other special instruction or behavioural considerations?

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Collection Password.....

I do / do not give consent to photography/videography for social media (please circle)

Signed.....Date.....

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