

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE DATE
24th January 2024

Dear parents & carers,

Today, I attended a briefing on the risk of terrorism, extremism and radicalisation in the county. Not something we necessarily think about every day, but keeping up to date with these risks is part of a Head Teacher's job.

The overwhelming message from the briefing was the importance of keeping children safe online. As well as the usual safeguarding page in this newsletter, I've included some information on TikTok which was being highlighted as being of concern.

Vicki Masters Head Teacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday	25th January	Y5-Y6 Athletics
Tuesday	30th January	Poplar Class Visit To Synagogue In Northampton
Wednesday	31st January	KS1 Multi Sports Event (Parker)
Mon-Fri	5th-9th February	Mental Health Week
Monday	5th-7th February	Y2&Y3 Beaumanor Residential
Friday	16th February	TERM ENDS
Monday	26th February	SCHOOL OPENS FOR PUPILS

Academy Update!

Our expected date for officially joining the E-ACT family is now the 1st March 2024. We will of course, keep you updated.



Please Remember

Wednesdays; Y5 Upper String Project
Wednesdays: SWIMMING
Wednesdays: Y4 Junk Orchestra project
Thursdays ; Y3 Strings Project

Attendance Matters



EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Lost time = Lost learning!



Persistent late arrivals to school equates to....



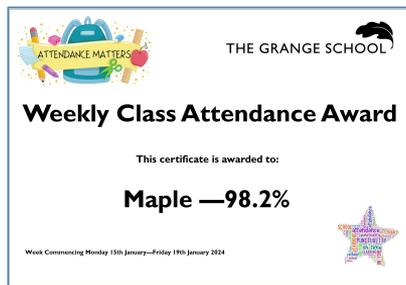
15 hours to lost learning
30 hours to lost learning
50 hours to lost learning



REMEMBER, YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT. DON'T MISS OUT!

Weekly Class Attendance for: Monday 15th January- Friday 19th January

EYFS & KS1	% Attendance	KS2	% Attendance
<i>Ash</i>	87%	<i>Willow</i>	96.2%
<i>Fir</i>	90.8%	<i>Yew</i>	96.2%
<i>Oak</i>	88.4%	<i>Maple</i>	98.2%
<i>Lime</i>	89.3%	<i>Poplar</i>	88.3%
<i>Palm</i>	90.8%	<i>Acer</i>	97.1%
<i>Birch</i>	96.7%	<i>Bonsai</i>	89.6%
Well done Maple , you had the highest weekly attendance last week!		<i>Banyan</i>	86.7%
Our whole school attendance last week was 91.9% This must improve!		<i>Sequoia</i>	91.2%
		<i>Sycamore</i>	90.4%



Our whole school attendance to date is **94.3%**

Sycamore have the highest overall attendance to date with **96.9%**

Last week, there were **315 pupils** who had **between 96 -100% attendance.**

Maple class having the highest overall attendance last week.

Well done to all of you!

Attendance Matters

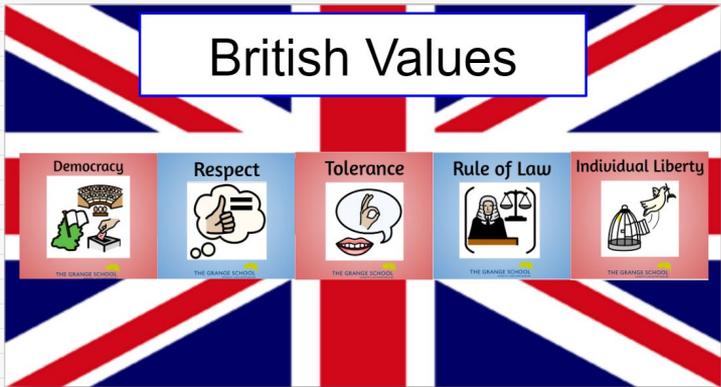
Here at The Grange, we have high expectations for attendance, and we are looking forward to continuing to work together to achieve this. Our target is to be in line with The National Average (around 96%)

Attendance is strongly linked to educational achievement. Learning time is lost when children are absent or persistently late.

A gentle reminder, please ensure that your child arrives on time. Gates open at 8:35am and registration is at 8:45am. Children should be at school on time, everyday school is open, unless the absence is unavoidable. If your child is absent, you must report this via our absence line on 01327 705785 (Option1) before 9:00am. Absence must also be reported for any consecutive days off. If your child's absence extends longer than 3 days, we must see proof that medical advice has been sought.

Promoting positive attendance is everyone's responsibility and we appreciate your support with this. If you have any concerns or difficulties with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Best as soon as possible so that we can support and offer help where possible. mrs.best@thegrangeschooldaventry.net

British Values



THE GRANGE SCHOOL VALUES

Confidence



Courage



Tenacity



Empathy



Integrity



Resilience



This week's Values Superheroes are:

Resilience



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Oscar Matthews
Ethan Taylor

Integrity



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Ana-Maria Cobosnean
Oscar Pirog
Harry McDowell

Tenacity



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Ryan Haines
Ethan Taylor

Courage



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Confidence



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Ryan Haines
Elise Yates
Shahyaan Kakar
Rosie Tyson

Empathy



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Oscar Rogers
Harry McDowell

A Spotlight on Special Needs



SEND FAMILY SWIMMING
(BOTH SWIMMING POOLS WILL BE OPEN)

28 January & 25 February
2.30 - 3.30 pm

Brackley Leisure Centre, Brackley, NN13 6JJ

Family ticket - £12
(2 adults & 2 children)
Adult swim - £4.75
Junior - £3.80

West Northamptonshire Council

The poster features a blue background with water splashes, a yellow duck, a watermelon ring, and a lifebuoy.

As discussed in our recent reading workshop The Reading Tree in Weedon is a lovely local bookshop where new books start at £3. In addition to this, they also sell preloved books and you can exchange old books for credit against new books! Check out their facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ReadingTreeUK/>



Building 1, The Depot,
Weedon,
Northamptonshire,
NN7 4PS

Put down your phone

Don't miss out on chances to talk with me.

Looking at your phone all the time makes me think you don't want to chat. When we're out and about talk to me about what we can see. I learn new words when we play together so put down your phone and play, talk, sing and share books with me.



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All National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it's needed. This guide forms one of many devices which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalonline-safety.com for further guides, facts and tips for adults.

SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS for young people

You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out even to close friends – either, as you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a noisy around if a friend wants to use your phone, you're very likely and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling unsure, worried or stressed about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings. Instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

STAY ALERT

Two words to look up: it might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – what might be around us. People often walk with their heads down, looking on their phones, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting your phone down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text trying to get your personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Bellfield is an online safety specialist, educator and researcher who has developed and presented on a range of online safety resources for many years. She has written various education papers and content for parents and young people, and is a frequent speaker at conferences and working interviews of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which involves not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus or waiting in a queue or working down the shop. It's important to remember, though, that other people, including strangers, might not want to hear your voice or your conversation. Likewise, if you're away from a public space, you could own something that you could own something personal about you.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable location for individual apps and photos; this means that people using (including strangers) can't see information about you, such as where you are or what you're up to. On the subject of images, it's important to get your permission before taking or sharing a photograph of others – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.



#WakeUpWednesday

SHOSoccer CAMPS

FEBRUARY HALF TERM



DATE

19 & 20 FEBRUARY, 2024



TIME

9AM - 3 PM



NORTHAMPTON

GOALS NORTHAMPTON, ABBEYFIELD SCHOOL, NN4 8BT



DATE

22 & 23 FEBRUARY, 2024



TIME

9AM - 3 PM



DAVENTRY

DAVENTRY SPORTS PARK 4 BROWNS ROAD, DAVENTRY, NN11 4NS



For More Information

enquiries@shosoccer.com



42 SPOTS

£30 PER DAY

£50 FOR 2 DAYS



Resident support sessions

We understand for many this is a challenging time. We have partnered with Futures Housing Group and NCHA to deliver valuable support for residents.

We have scheduled these **free support sessions** to provide information, advice and guidance to help you and your family's finances and to provide advice if you are currently unemployed and looking to find work.

The sessions will be very relaxed and we will provide free refreshments.

Sessions

10am-12pm –

Costing of living support

If you are worried about the rising cost of living, including higher energy, food and petrol prices, we can help you create a budget and provide tips on how to save money.

12.30-2.30pm –

Employment support

We can provide employment support to help with securing work. We will discuss what makes a good CV and support in preparing for interviews.

How to book

To register for a session, email Daniel or Lauren below for your preferred location.

Alfreton

email Daniel.Atyes@futureshg.co.uk

Daventry

email Lauren.Gilligan@futureshg.co.uk

The dates and venues are:

Alfreton (Firs House Firs Garden, Alfreton DE55 7FU)

Tuesday 30 January 2024.

Daventry (Daventry Mind, Brook Street, Old Gas Works Car Park, NN11 4GG)

Thursday 1 February 2024.



You don't need to be a tenant of Futures Housing Group.

Available to everyone.