

NEWSLETTER

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End Of Year Reports

Class teachers are busy writing and preparing your child's end of year report and these will be sent home on Wednesday 19th July and Y6 will receive them on the 21st July



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 10th July Y6 Production 6pm-7pm **Tuesday** 11th July Sports day, Red **Tuesday** 11th July Y2 & Y5 Carbon Monoxide Training. Wednesday 12th July Y2 & Y5 Carbon Monoxide Training. Wednesday 12th July **Y6 Swimming Sycamore** Wednesday 12th July Y6 Production 6pm-7pm Wednesday 12th July Sports day, White Wednesday 12th July Y5 Carbon Monoxide training. **Thursday** 13th July **School Disco**

Friday 14th July **Y6 Leavers Assembly** 2.30pm-3.15pm. Fam welcome Monday 17th July **Reception Cinema Trip** Tuesday 18th July **Changemakers Ceremony** (Invite Only) Wednesday 19th July **Y6 Swimming** School finishes for the Friday 21st July **Summer Holiday 3.15pm** Tuesday **School reopens to pupils** 5th Sep at 08.45am (Gates 08.40am)

Attendance Matters

THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Holidays in Term Time

The holiday forms have been flooding in! This last term is crucial to your child's learning and withdrawing your child at the end of term will have an impact on their progress and attainment. Some children do not manage to catch up on work they have missed.

In line with government policy, school does not authorise leave of absence for family holidays during term time. If you take your child out of school for a holiday, you risk the local authority issuing a penalty notice or pursuing a prosecution.

If you are planning to take a leave of absence for any reason during term time, you must complete the relevant form. These can be collected from the main office.

Weekly Class Attendance for: Monday 26th June - Friday 30th June 2023

EYFS & KS1	% Attendance	KS2	% Attendance
Ash	87.7%	Willow	91.3%
Fir	90.0%	Yew	87.6%
Oak	90.0%	Maple	90.0%
Lime	89.2%	Poplar	94.0%
Palm	96.0%	Acer	91.7%
Birch	98.0%	Bonsai	97.4%
Well done Birch class , you had the highest weekly attendance last week! Our whole school		Hawthorn	93.6%
		Sequoia	90.3%
was 92.3%	e for last week This needs to prove!	Sycamore	92.3%
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advertise our nursery our waiting list for September 2023 has few children. This saddens us immensely.

In recent years the small increases in funding and large increase in expenses means we have no other option but to make changes to our Early Years provision. Like many Nurseries across the country, we are struggling with being so chronically underfunded.

As a Local Authority maintained nursery we seek advice, financial support and guidance from West Northamptonshire Council (WNC)

We are very proud of our Nursery and Early Years provisions in school. We have had a thriving, well funded nursery for many, many years. However, we have seen a decrease in the number of children joining our nursery and despite our best efforts to promote and

Over the last few months, we have met with WNC to discuss our stretched budget and our increasing nursery costs. A full viability study has been conducted, looking at the number of nursery provisions in Daventry, expected admission numbers for the next few years (which are projected to continue to fall) and the impact on funding. Unfortunately, we are unable to access any further funding to support our nursery; instead, WNC have recommended that we merge our Nursery and Reception classes to make a combined Early Foundation Stage (EYFS) provision. This means all children in nursery and reception children will be mixed. Sadly, due to the financial implications, we cannot continue to offer a separate Nursery and Reception provision.

Taking all of this into account, from September 2023, we will merge our Early Years provision. To ensure this is successful and to me the needs of all the children, we have no choice but to limit the number of nursery children for this academic year. Any children whare currently attending our nursery, will continue to have their place from September. However, at this time we are unable to enrol any new children to our nursery, regrettably, this includes the small number children who had submitted an application for their children who had submitted the chi

to start nursery from September onwards.

We appreciate this news may be disappointing to our families but taking into account all factors and the advice from WNC, we feel is the best course of action for our school. We recognise that excellent provision in the early years lays the foundations for a child's future success and we remain fully committed to the importance of early years education. We are truly saddened that we cannot continue to offer the excellent service we always have.

Staffing News - teachers for 2023/2024

Our fabulous support staff will continue to be deployed across the school

Children will find out which class they are in soon.

EYFS - Mrs Louise Harris, Mrs Liz Heath, Miss Katy Timms

Year 1 - Mrs Emma Darby, Ms Victoria Haddon, Miss Katie Hunt

Year 2 - Mrs Rowena Barrett, Mrs Alesia Hisee (formerly Miss Prosser)

Year 3 - Ms Maria Bannon, Mrs Charlie Fenn Year 4 - Mrs Joanna Collins, Miss Emma Underwood

Year 5 - Mrs Annell Hanekom, Mrs Katelyn Marr

Year 6 - Mrs Becky Duncton, Miss Cait Jones, Mr Ian Pagett

During the last week of term, children will be spending time with their new classmates, in their new classrooms.

Not all new teachers will be joining us on those days, but children will spend some time 'virtually' with their new teacher.

Meet the Teacher Meetings will take place in September.

We are saying goodbye to



Miss Ginny Gould - who is moving to a new school. We wish her good luck.

Mrs Lauren Humphries is moving to a new position in a a local school. We wish her well.



Mrs Lucy Sanders and Mrs Kim Withey joined us on temporary contracts to cover maternity leave. They will both be leaving us, but may return from time to time. We wish them well.



Mrs Sue Hasney is retiring after 28 years of working at the School. Sue wants to retire with no fuss, but Please wish her well if you see her around school.

We will miss her immensely.

Mrs Hilary Connor and Miss Holly Greene also joined us on temporary contracts this year and will be leaving us in July. We may see them again in the future but wish them well in the meantime.

Use of social media: please ensure that the school's social media pages are used appropriately.

Please ensure that any complaints are dealt with in line with the school's Complaints Policy.



PCSO VISIT

PCSO Kirsten Bates and the local neighbourhood team will be on site on Thursday 13/7 holding an assembly for yrs 5 and 6 about keeping safe out of school. They will also be on our playgrounds from 3pm running a surgery for any Parents or children who wish to discuss any local issues or concerns that they have.

For non-emergency incidents or concerns Kirsten Bates can be contacted directly by email:

Kirsten.Bates@northants.pnn.police.uk

WELLBEING MATTERS





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Please book by July 1st 2023

Children's Activities for Visually Impaired Children and their Families,

August 2023





All activities, £5 per person.

amount of energy - they really are true 'holiday heros'!