NEWSLETTER

ISSUE DATE
7th February 2024

Dear parents & carers,

This week's newsletter has a particular focus on improving school attendance. Good attendance at school is crucial for giving your child the best chance of success in life.

We know that very few children will achieve 100% attendance over a school year. Those that achieved 100% during the September - December term are rightly being celebrated in school this week.

We will continue to celebrate all 'good' attendance over the coming weeks.

Vicki Masters Head Teacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SCHOOL OPENS FOR PUPILS

Friday 16th February TERM ENDS

26th February

Monday

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

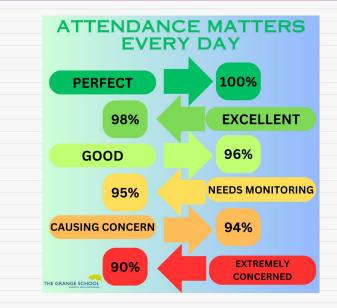
Children who are persistently late or absent soon fall behind with their learning. Children who are absent from school frequently develop large gaps in their learning which will impact on their progress and their ability to meet age related learning expectations.

The government expects no child's attendance to fall below 95%.
The graph below shows our falling rate of absence between September and December 2023.
You can see that we need to work hard to get whole

school attendance back

above 95%.

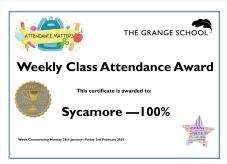




Every day, Mrs Best works hard to ensure that your child's attendance is above 95%. The following pages provide information and support. If you need more support with getting your child to school, please contact her on mrs.best@thegrangeschooldaventry.net.







Our whole school attendance to date is 94.3%

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

Last week, there were 338 pupils who had between 96 -100% attendance.

Sycamore 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

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

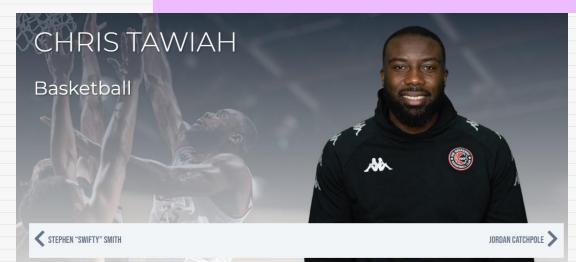
Weekly Class Attendance for: Monday 29th January- Friday 2nd February

EYFS & KS1 % Attendance		KS2	% Attendance	
Ash	94.1%	Willow	94.2%	
Fir	92.8%	Yew	96.2%	
Oak	95.2%	Maple	95%	
Lime	93.6%	Poplar	97.3%	
Palm	92.8%	Acer	96%	
Birch 93.7%		Bonsai	95.3%	
Well done Sycamore , you had the highest weekly attendance last week! Our whole school attendance last week was 95% This is much better , however, there is still room for improvement!		Banyan	92.7%	
		Sequoia	94.8%	
		Sycamore	100%	

<u>DON'T BE FOOLED</u> - Attendance from 4/9/23 to 21/01/24 (ANNUAL ATTENDANCE) IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH IN MANY CLASSES.

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Sport For Champions



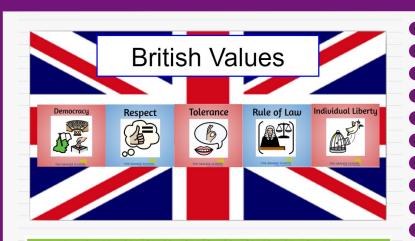
BIO

HOW I STARTED:

I started at the age of 16, having not played Basketball before. I was going to play Football with my friends and a coach spotted me, mentioned my height, and asked if I wanted to give it a go. Right there we played on the park, and I enjoyed it, although I wasn't totally interested in the sport before I began! I played in a 3 on 3 tournament and enjoyed playing with them regularly until we won the U16 national championship, at this point I was putting a lot of energy into training and loving Basketball, and I was offered a

We have the pleasure of welcoming professional basketball player Chris Tawiah to the school the 8th March.

The children should all have come home with a sponsor form. We hope that the children will all embrace the challenge and help with the fundraising. Funds raised is split 60% for the school's continued growth and 40% contributing to the athlete fund for their development..



THE GRANGE SCHOOL VALUES



















Oscar Matthews Ethan Taylor



Ana-Maria Cobosnean Oscar Pirog Harry McDowell



Ryan Haines Ethan Taylor



Confidence

Ryan Haines Elise Yates Shahyaan Kakar Rosie Tyson



Oscar Rogers Harry McDowell



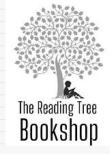
A Spotlight on Special Needs





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.c om/ReadingTreeUK/

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









Ofsted

February Half Term **Multi-Activity Holiday Club**

Mon 19th Feb - Fri 23rd Feb 2024 The Grange School, Daventry



Enrichment Activities Laser tag - Scooters - Nerf Wars - Disco A different one each day



Our Ofsted registered Multi-Activity holiday clubs held at The Grange School, Daventry is open from Mon 19th Feb - Fri 23rd Feb 2024.

The venue has fantastic facilities including; indoor areas, indoor hall, playground, a large field and outdoor exploring areas.

Each full day consists of 4 guided activity hours where children take part in 'Sports Starz' & 'Creative Starz' activities. Accompanied with free play and weekly themed activities, there is something for everyone!

WHAT'S ON THIS FEBRUARY?



Feb Spring





PRICING & PAYMENT

Passes	Times	Price per day	Price per week
Normal hours	9:00am - 4:00pm	£22.50	£105
Normal hours ' early bird'	8:00am - 4:00pm	£25.50	£120

The Grange School Northants, NN11 4HW DATES

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd Feb 2024

Nerf Wars / Curling

Themed Arts & Crafts Talent Show A choice of:

Hoops & Skippin

A Holiday Club Activity Timetable

8:00am - 8:30am 8:30am - 9:00am Free play Indoor games 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunchtime & free play 9:00am - 9:30am 9:30am - 10:30am 10:30am - 11:00am 10:30am - 11:00am 10:00am - 12:00pm Sports Starz Sports Starz - Outdoor & Adventure activity 2:30pm - 3:30pm 3:30pm - 4:00pm 3:30pm - 4:00pm Reward time 'presentation'	300 50		LASTOTIO-OFIGIOS	
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- · Please book online before your child's first day
- Packed lunch, snacks and drinks are required. "Please note: all Kidz Zone Clubs are nut-free zones".









MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pesto pasta (V)	Ham spaghetti carbonara	Roast chicken, roast potatoes and Yorkshire pudding	Savoury mince and rice	Fish fingers and chips
Cheese & tomato pizza (V)	Loaded wedges (V)	Butternut squash parcel, roast potatoes & vegetables (VG)	Plant based Burger (VG)	Fishless fingers and chips (VG)
Jacket potato with a selection of toppings	Pasta shapes with a choice of topping (V)	Pasta shapes with a choice of topping (V)	Jacket potato with a selection of toppings	Pasta shapes with a choice of topping (V)
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Peach melba and granola (V)	Chocolate brownie (VG)	Fruit Jelly (VG)	Ginger Cake (V)	A selection of home baking (V)

Fresh fruit is served every day. Seasonal vegetables are available with all meals as well as access to the salad bar along with our homemade bread, baked in your school kitchen.

Where possible, we buy locally sourced produce. All our meat is high welfare and our eggs are responsibly sourced and free range. Our spreads and cooking fats are vegan.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Vegetable fried rice with homemade curry sauce (VG)	All day breakfast	Roast chicken, roast potatoes and Yorkshire pudding	Spaghetti bolognese	Breaded fish and chips
Cheese & tomato pizza (V)	Mild vegetable masala with rice (VG)	Spring vegetable wellington (VG)	Vegetable fajita (VG)	Vegan sausage, chips and beans (VG)
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Pears with chocolate sauce (VG)	Fruity shortbread (VG)	Fruity jelly (VG)	Lemon drizzle cake (V)	A selection of home baking (V)

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Roasted vegetable pasta (VG)	Pepperoni quesadilla slice	Toad in the hole with roast potatoes	Chicken korma and rice	Breaded fish and chips
*Cheese & tomato pizza (V)	Vegan meatball spaghetti (VG)	Vegetarian toad in the hole (V)	Vegetable lasagne (V)	Butternut squash and spinach pasty (VG)
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Summer fruit swirl (V)	Apple & oat cookies (VG)	Fruity jelly (VG)	Chocolate marble cake (V)	A selection of home baking (V)

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You don't

need to

be a

tenant of

Futures

Housing

Group.

Available

to

everyone.





The sessions will be very relaxed and we will provide free

refreshments.

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.

How to book Sessions

To register for a session, email Daniel or Lauren below for your preferred location. If you are worried about the

Alfreton

Daventry

The dates and venues are:

Alfreton (Firs House Firs Garden, Tuesday 30 January 2024.

Daventry (Daventry Mind, Brook Street, Old Gas Works Car Park, NN11 4GG) Thursday 1 February 2024.

10am-12pm -

Costing of living support

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**

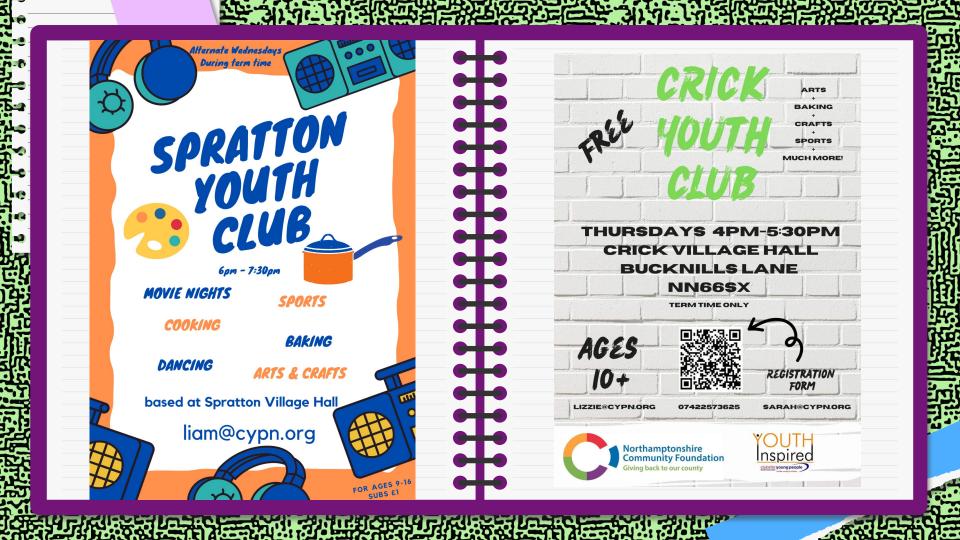
We can provide employment support to help with securing work. We will discuss what makes a good CV and support in











MONDAYS - TERM TIME HARTWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE

4:30PM-6PM £1 KINGSTHORPE

TUESDAYS ST DAVIDS SPORTS HALL 4:30PM-6:30PM FREE

ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS TERM TIME SPRATTON VILLAGE HALL 6PM-7:30PM £1

CRICK

THURSDAYS - TERM TIME CRICK VILLAGE HALL 4-5:30PM FREE

ALTERNATE FRIDAYS TERM TIME KILSBY VILLAGE HALL 7:15PM-9PM £1.50

LITCHBOROUGH

TUESDAY SECOND MONTHLY LITCHBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL 7PM-8:30PM FREE

DAVENTRY

FRIDAYS SOUTHBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE 4:30PM-6PM FREE **POTHWELL**

TUESDAYS ROTHWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE 4:30PM-6:00PM £1























Registration

Inspired

Form

For Youth Clubs









Vapes Alert!





Change

February 2024

Drug alert: Vapes containing synthetic cannabinoids (SCRA- Spice)

Vape pens containing a synthetic cannabinoid often known as Spice have led to people being taken to hospital in London recently.

In one incident, five people became seriously ill after vaping from a "Vaporesso" branded pen containing blue liquid in a silver and black cartridge. In a separate incident, people became ill after using a vape labelled "Lemonade Vape Cookies" (which may have been sold as THC).

Both vapes contained Spice, which can cause serious side effects like breathing problems, heart attacks and seizures. Other symptoms include feeling dizzy, vomiting, heart racing, sweating, anxiety and paranoid.

If you're buying either illegal vapes or ones you think have Cannabis/ THC in them, follow our steps below to stay safe.

Staying safe and helping others

If possible, avoid using the vapes we have identified above - the only way to avoid all the risks is to not take drugs which are not prescribed for you. However, if you do choose to take them.

- . Go low and slow Be extra cautious about where you get your vapes from, and about the drugs you are taking. Start with a little bit, wait an hour and see how you feel
- . Do not use alone; make sure that someone you trust is with you and knows what you're doing in case you need help.
- . If doing it with others, it's best if only one person vapes first instead of you all doing it

- . Don't mix drugs: Using more than one drug increases your risks of overdose, including
- · Look after your friends: look out for anyone who seems dizzy or confused, is sweating, trembling, vomiting or is very anxious, aggressive, or paranoid. If one of your mates is struggling to breathe or passes out.
- Be prepared to call immediately for an ambulance if someone overdoses or
- · Test your drugs using the testing service available at www.wedinos.org

If you have any questions or are worried about anything, you can find your local service and their contact information on our website at www.changearowlive.org

Players Wanted



🔲🗘 PLAYERS WANTED 🗘 🔵



Players of all abilities are welcome with an emphasis on having fun and learning new football skills.

If you daughter (U10 - School Year 5) is interested please contact James or Sakina and they can give you more information.



The U10's Cubs Team train on Wednesday 7-8 at Daventry Town Football Club and play on Sundays.

> Contact lames on 07810 477574 or Sakina on 07899 844006