

5th May 2022

Dear children,

May and June are the months in school when we take assessment tests that the government ask us to take. Year 1 children have the Phonics Screener, Year 2 children have Key Stage 1 SATs, Year 4 children having the Multiplication Tables Check and Year 6 have Key stage 2 SATs.

We're so proud of the way that you've prepared for these tests. We know that you've worked hard, both in school and at home, to revise everything you've learned. We know that you'll try your very best when taking the tests over the next two months.

Like everything we do as part of our learning, these tests are important. Trying your hardest in these tests is the right thing to do because you know that at The Grange, we believe it's important to try our very best in everything we do. But, these tests are a snapshot of your time here at The Grange. They'll test how well you can read, write, spell, reason, calculate and solve problems at this time. They'll tell us something about your ability in reading, spelling, writing and maths. But there's lots of things they won't tell us.

These tests won't tell us how great you are at football or tennis, hockey or swimming. They won't tell us how pleased you were when you finally remembered the order of the planets. They won't tell us how amazing you looked dressed up as a book character on World Book Day. The results won't reflect how hard you tried to climb the climbing wall on the playground or how thrilled you were when you won a certificate. They won't remind us of how helpful you are in the lunch halls or on the Key Stage 1 playground. They won't tell us anything about how hard you try in Art lessons or how your confidence has grown in Music lessons. These tests won't tell us that you're kind, caring, responsible, resilient and trustworthy. They won't tell us what a fantastic friend you are.

These tests, and the results, will not tell us the whole story of you and your time at The Grange. It's important that you remember that. What they will tell us is important and I know that you'll all try your very hardest to make sure that you are the very best you can be. Be fabulous! You are all shining stars and we are always very proud of you.

Mrs Masters

Important Notice

UNIFORM POLICY

The Uniform policy has been updated and is available to view on our website.

Uniform Policy

Please ensure you familiarise yourself with the policy, because as of **Monday 9th May 2022** all children will be expected to be wearing full school uniform.

If you have any concerns about this, please contact our Wellbeing Lead Mrs Hennessy via her email address mrs.hennessy@thegrangeschooldaventry.net

**IT IS CRUCIAL THAT YOU
INFORM THE OFFICE BY 2.30pm,
if someone not on your contact
list is collecting your child.
Thank you**

Attendance Review Letters will be sent in the next few days to explain the Government and Local Authorities views on attendance at school.

CHILDREN'S ABSENCE

If your child is unable to attend school because they are unwell, please ensure you call the absence line on 01327 705785 and Press **Option 1**. Please clearly leave a message of your Child's Name, Class and the reason for their absence, please do not just state unwell or poorly.

The phone line is open 24 hours a day. If we have not heard from you by 9.00am, and are unaware of your child's absence we will call all of your contact numbers until we are able to speak to someone. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

A WORLD IN ONE COUNTRY

Please complete the lunch form sent today via parentmail, to get involved with these culinary delights on offer.
Meals are £2.30 each & children entitled to FSM or UFSM are free



A world in one country
CENSUS DAY 19TH MAY

An opportunity for pupils to try new foods and celebrate the diversity we have within our own school community.

Main Menu

Traditional sausage roll, chipped potatoes and baked beans or mushy peas
or
Traditional cheese and onion pasty, chipped potatoes and baked beans or mushy peas

Pudding

Jam roly-poly pudding and custard
or
Raspberry ripple ice cream

In addition to the main menu we will have on offer to sample food items from Japan to Mexico, Italy to Africa, and many stops in different parts of the world along the way.

If you would like information on which foods contain allergens please ask a member of the



ADULTS NEED AROUND 2,000 CALORIES A DAY

Daventry's Anti-Violence Event

The Daventry Anti-Violence event is to mark the presence of the Knife Angel in West Northants and encourage Daventry's commitment to anti-violence

Free Event

ON THE DAY
THERE WILL BE:

Sign-up to be
an Anti-
Violence
Ambassador

Street Art
& Chalk Art

Music &
Free BBQ

Youth Bus

Activities
for Young
People

Advice from
Agencies
about Violent
Crime

Friday 6th May 2022

3.30-6.30pm

Daventry New Street Park
New Street, Daventry

EVERYONE VERY WELCOME



West
Northamptonshire
Council



DAVENTRY
TOWN COUNCIL



KEEP THE DATE...

Year 6 SATS	Monday 9th May - Thursday 12th May	SATs Breakfast for Year 6 children.
Year 2 SATS	Monday 16th - Friday 20th May	SATS Breakfast for Year 2 children. Details will follow.
Year 5 / 6 KWIK Cricket	Wednesday 18th May	Invite Only
Jubilee Week	Monday 23rd May - Friday 27th May	
Sports Day - Rec to Year 6	Tuesday 24th May - Thursday 26th May	Afternoon Event - Parents / Guardians will be invited - more details to follow very soon. Siblings' sports days will be on the same afternoon.
Year 5 / 6 Girls Football	Friday 27th May	Invite Only
Last day of Term	Friday 27th May	
Return to School	Monday 6th June	
Year 6 - Guitar Workshop - Kids that Rock	Tuesday 7th June - Wednesday 8th June	
Year 4 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 7th June at 2.30pm	Y4 Parents / Guardians welcome to attend
KS2 Quad Kids Athletics	Tuesday 14th June	Invite Only
Year 2 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 14th June at 2:30 pm	Y2 Parents / Guardians welcome to attend
Open Morning - Whole School	Friday 17th June 9:00 am to 10:15 pm	Come and see your child's work from this year. Parents / Guardians welcome to attend. Details will follow.
Year 5 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 21st June at 2.30pm	Y5 Parents / Guardians welcome to attend
Reception & Year 6 - School Photos	Wednesday 22nd June	
Year 6 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 28th June at 2.30pm	Parents / Guardians welcome to attend
Annual Reports out to parents and guardians	Thursday 30th June	
Reception Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 5th July @ 2.30pm	Reception Parents / Guardians welcome to attend

KEEP THE DATE...

Y6 Leavers' Production	Monday 11th July Daytime performance at 2:00 pm Evening performance at 6:00 pm	Y6 parents and guardians welcome to attend
KS2 Change4Life Celebration Festival	Tuesday 12th July	Invite Only
Year 1 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 12th July at 2:30 pm	Y1 parents and guardians are welcome to attend
Transition Afternoon	Friday 15th July	
Meet The Teacher - School Halls - 3.30pm - 4.00pm	Friday 15th July	Parents / Guardians welcome
The Parker Transition Week - Year 6	Monday 18th July -Thursday 21st July	Invite
Year 3 Celebration Assembly	Tuesday 19th July @ 2.30pm	Y3 Parents / Guardians welcome
WHOLE SCHOOL FUN DAY, INCLUDING YEAR 6 LEAVERS' DAY LAST DAY OF TERM	Friday 22nd July	

Additional dates may be added, but we'll give you plenty of notice.

New Classes for 2022/2023

This year we're trying something new! In early June we'll be giving you the opportunity to tell us any information that may help us to place your child in a new class for next year.

While we can't guarantee that we'll be able to accommodate all requests, we feel it's important that we gather your views. Please don't give us this information now - everyone will have the chance to tell us very soon.

We hope you'll appreciate the chance to share your views with us before we organise next year's classes.

The logo for '360 SEN Evenings' is set within an orange circle. '360' is in white with a circular arrow around it, 'SEN' is in purple, and 'Evenings' is in white with a blue outline.

360 SEN Evenings

Does a child in your care
have special needs?
Join in our exclusive fun evenings
to meet new people and
make new friends

2022 EVENTS

6.30pm - 8.30pm

First Friday
of each month

~~January 7th~~

~~February 4th~~

~~March 4th~~

~~April 1st~~

May 6th

June 3rd

July 1st

August 5th

September 2nd

October 7th

November 4th

December 2nd



£7 per child, adults free

Our special needs evenings are aimed at local families with children and adults with special needs. Brothers, sisters and friends are all welcome to join in the fun after hours with the freedom and comfort of knowing that the time is suited to them.

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**BOOK
ONLINE**

Occurring through messaging apps, on social media and in online games, group chats are among the most popular ways that young people engage with their peers online. Involving, by definition, three or more individuals, these groups allow users to send messages, images and videos to everyone in one place. While they are useful for helping friends, people with shared interests or members of a club to communicate and coordinate activities, they can also leave young people feeling excluded and bullied – as well as providing opportunities for inappropriate content to be shared and viewed. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as bullying, inappropriate content and unknown members.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about GROUP CHATS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

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BULLYING

Unkind comments or images which are purposely aimed at an individual can be shared freely in a group chat – allowing and often encouraging others to join in the bullying behaviour. If this content is shared in a group of their peers (especially a larger group), it serves to amplify the hurt, embarrassment, anxiety and isolation that the victim feels.

EXCLUSION AND ISOLATION

This common issue with group chats can happen in several ways starting a new group, for instance, but deliberately excluding a certain child. Likewise, the chat may take place on an app which one child doesn't have access to, meaning they can't be involved. A child can also feel isolated when a group chat is used to discuss or share images from an event that everyone else but them attended.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some discussions in group chats may include inappropriate words, swearing and unsuitable images or videos. These could be viewed by your child if they are part of that group, whether they actively engage in it or not. Some chat apps have a disappearing message function, so your child may be unable to report something they've seen because it can only be viewed once or for a short time.

SHARING GROUP CONTENT

It's important to remember that – while the content of the chat is private between those in the group – individual users can easily share a message, photo or video with others outside of the group or screenshot what's been posted. The risk of something your child intended as private becoming public (and potentially going viral), is higher if there are people they don't know well in the group.

UNKNOWN MEMBERS

Within larger group chats, it's more likely your child will be communicating with people they don't really know. These strangers may be friends of the host, but not necessarily friendly toward your child. It's wise for young people not to share personal details and stay aware that they have no control over the messages and images they share after they've put them online.

NOTIFICATIONS AND FOMO

A drawback of large group chats is the sheer number of notifications. Every time someone in the group messages, your child's device will be 'pinged' with an alert; potentially, this could mean hundreds of notifications a day. Not only is this highly distracting, but young people's fear of missing out on the latest conversation results in increased screen time as they try to keep up with the chat.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CONSIDER OTHERS' FEELINGS

Group chats are often an arena for young people to gain social status. This could cause them to do or say things on impulse, which could upset others in the group. Encourage your child to consider how other people might feel if they engaged in this behaviour. If your child does upset a member of their group chat, support them to reach out, show empathy and apologise for their mistake.

PRACTISE SAFE SHARING

In any online communication, it's vital for young people to be aware of what they're sharing and who might potentially see it. Discuss the importance of not revealing identifiable details like their address, their school or photos that they wouldn't like to be seen widely. Remind them that once something is shared in a group, they lose control of where it may end up and how it might be used.

GIVE SUPPORT, NOT JUDGEMENT

Remind your child that they can confide in you if they feel bullied or excluded in a group chat, instead of responding to the person who's upset them. Validate their hurt feelings and help to put them back in control by discussing how they'd like to handle the situation. On a related note, you could also empower your child to speak up if they're in a chat where others are being picked on.

AVOID INVITING STRANGERS

Sadly, many individuals online hide their true identity to gain a child's trust – for example, to gather information on them, to exchange inappropriate content or to coax them into doing things they aren't comfortable with. Ensure your child understands why they shouldn't add people they don't know to a group chat – and, especially, to never accept a group chat invitation from a stranger.

BLOCK, REPORT AND LEAVE

If your child is in a chat where inappropriate content is being shared, advise them to block the users sending the material, report them to the host app or platform and exit the group. If any of this content could be putting a minor at risk, contact the police. Emphasise to your child that it's OK for them to simply leave any group chat that they don't feel comfortable being a part of.

SILENCE NOTIFICATIONS

Having a phone or tablet bombarded with notifications from a group chat can be a massive irritation and distraction – especially if it's happening late in the evening. Explain to your child that they can still be part of the group chat, but that it would be healthier for them to turn off or mute the notifications and catch up with the conversation at a time which better suits them.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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