

## The Grange School, Daventry

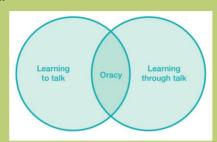
#### **Newsletter**

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#### Head Teacher's Welcome

This year, we are developing the children's oracy as a way of further improving their future life chances.



There is a great deal of research that shows that improving children's oracy skills improves their chances in life, as well as their wellbeing now and in the future. We also know that developing children's oracy skills will help to further develop their ability to learn. Put simply, learning through talk helps children to learn more.

Throughout this newsletter, you can find more information about this new initiative. Later in the year, we will be hosting a parent learning event where you can come along and find out more. In the meantime, you can contact Mrs Wagg or Miss Prosser (our Oracy Champions) for more information.



Vicki Masters Head Teacher



Parent Pay... have you signed up yet?



Invites for ParentPay were sent out last week. If you haven't already registered, please make sure you sign up by Friday 14th October. If you need any help please contact the school office.

From 14th October we will no longer use Parentmail.

We are working with Parentmail to ensure anyone who has a balance on their parentmail account has these funds returned. Please bare with us while we sort this.

DREAM BELIEVE ACHIEVE

### **Hello Yellow**

This World Mental Health Day, thousands across the country are coming together to say **#HelloYellow**. Join us on 10 October to show young people that how they feel matters, and help us create a future where all young people get the mental health support they need, when they need it, no matter what.

On Monday 10/10/22 children are welcome to wear something yellow with their school uniform.





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### **CELEBRATING SEPTEMBER 2022**



DREAM BELIEVE ACHIEVE

### **Attendance**

We have reinstated our Attendance Ladder to celebrate good attendance in school each week.

Top of the ladder this week is Polar class with a fabulous 98.3% attendance this week, WELL DONE!

Lots of classes are falling below our 96% attendance target - this must improve please.

Group	% Attend	
Oak	91.5	
Lime	89.4	
Birch	97.0	
Palm	93.0	
Willow	94.3	
Yew	93.5	
Maple	95.2	
Poplar	98.3	
Acer	95.8	
Bonsai	96.4	
Hawthorn	89.3	
Sequoia	97.7	
Sycamore	96.0	
Totals	94.5	

The school target is 96% attendance for all children. If your child falls below 96%, we will be in contact with you to discuss this.

If you feel you need support with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Hennessy at mrs.hennessy@thegrangeschooldaventry.net

We are pleased to inform you that Mrs Jasryn Dhillon is pregnant, but will be remaining with us into the Spring Term. Mrs Emma Darby will begin her maternity leave on 21st October 2022 and we will introduce her

replacement to you soon.





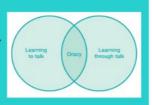
### A FOCUS ON ORACY

Oracy is one of the golden threads in our school curriculum, which aims to help every child to become an aspirational changemaker.

What is oracy?

Oracy is a combination of learning to talk and learning through talk.

Oracy improves children's outcomes in all areas of learning. It also improves wellbeing and instills confidence, enabling all children to have a voice and to be heard. Oracy equips children with the skills they to be active members of the wider community.



Children will be taught specific speaking and listening skills in all lessons. Talk will be used as a central part of their learning across the curriculum. Learning through talk will be visible in all subjects across our curriculum.

We'll be providing you with lots of information and the chance to join us to find out more!



### Oracy increases engagement in learning

Learning is rich and enjoyable when students bring their own voice and experiences to school life.

### Oracy improves academic outcomes

Developing learners who can think critically, reason together and have the vocabulary to express their knowledge and understanding.

### Oracy fosters wellbeing and confidence

Empowering students to build successful relationships and

### Oracy supports transitions and enhances employability

Oracy helps young people flourish in further, higher education or

### Oracy equips students to thrive in democratic and civic life

Citizenship requires us to express our views & listen kindly and critically.

#### Oracy promotes social equity

Leading to a fairer society where everyone, regardless of background, finds their voice for success in school and in life.

# **Christmas Card Competition**

Our local MP Chris Heaton-Harris in holding his inaugural Christmas Card competition for all primary schools in Daventry.

You are welcome to collect a template from the office, cards can also be submitted as a traditional 3D card.

The deadline for submissions will be Monday 7th November.

All those who wish to participate will receive a certificate and the winning entry will have their card hand delivered by me to the new Prime Minister!

Please hand your entry to the school office.





### Dates for Your Diary

### OCTOBER:

10/10/22 - Hello Yellow - Wear Something Yellow - along Side your School Uniform

12/10/22 - Year 4 - multiplication check meeting for parents - Arts Hall - 3.30pm

12/10/22- Year 2 - Walk to the Holy Cross Church

12/10/22- Year 6 - Walk to Daventry Council Offices

21/10/22 - Wear Red to School Day - Show Racism The Red Card Campaign

21/10/22 - Whole School Diwali Day

21/10/22 - School Closes at 3.15pm

31/10/22 - School Opens at 8.40am

#### **NOVEMBER:**

11/11/22 - School Photographer - Individual student photos for Nursery - Year 6

14/11/22 - Odd Socks Day - Anti-Bullying Week

17/11/22 - Parents' Evening - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Details to follow

18/11/22 - Children In Need Day - Wear your spots or PJs to school!

22/11/22 - Open Morning for New Prosepctive Parents - Email: admin@thegrangeschooldaventry.net to book your place!

23/11/22 - Parents' Evening - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Details to follow

28/11/22 - Bikeability - Invite Only (Year 5 / Year 6) Details to follow

### DECEMBER:

2/12/22 - Christmas Fayre

14/12/22 - Santa Panto - Ks1 & Ks2 Pantomime

15/12/22 - School Closes at 3.15pm

16/12/22 - Teacher Training Day



### **Please Park Considerately**

Some parents have complained about cars being parked on zig zag lines, kerbs and corners. This endangers other road users, pedestrians and our children.

Please keep our children safe by parking safely.

### Behaviour **HUBS**

### A FOCUS ON BEHAVIOUR



### WHAT OFSTED SAID (JULY 2022):

#### **BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDES ARE GOOD**

A focus of the OFSTED inspection was behaviour, and the team thoroughly inspected standards in this area. They observed behaviour in classrooms, on the playground and around school. They spoke to lots of children and parents. Here's what they found:

'The Grange School is a warm and friendly school.'

'Pupils enjoy their learning and are proud of their school. They know that staff care for them and listen to them.

This helps pupils to feel safe.'

'Staff commit to knowing each pupil individually. Relationships between staff and pupils are positive. Pupils are polite and respectful. They play happily together during their breaktimes. Pupils behave well and the atmosphere in school is orderly and calm. Pupils know that bullying is not tolerated, and they know that staff are quick to deal with any concerns.'

As always, we are keen to improve further and so, joined the Behaviour Hubs Programme in April of last year.

Over the Summer Term, we reviewed our Behaviour Bands, in attempt to make them more simple for the children to understand. We launched these in July and have revisited them already this term.

Parents tell us they want to be informed as soon as possible if their child's behaviour deteriorates. Whilst it is not appropriate to tell you of every small incident that takes place, we will tell you if your child's behaviour is causing concern. This could be by telephone, face to face or via a letter from the Behaviour Lead / Head Teacher.

DISCOURAGE, SANCTION & SUPPORT MORE FORMALLY	HIGH LEVEL BEHAVIOURS  Will endanger people, seriously disrupt learning, cause physical and/or emotional pain, significantly damage the environment, harm our sense of belonging	EXCLUSION SUSPENSION INTERNAL SUSPENSION LOSS OF PRIVILEGES AFTER- SCHOOL DETENTION
DISCOURAGE, SANCTION & SUPPORT	MEDIUM LEVEL BEHAVIOURS  Will disrupt learning, upset others, hurt others, damage the environment, threaten our sense of belonging	BREAKTIME DETENTION
REDIRECT & CLARIFY	LOW LEVEL BEHAVIOURS  Could disrupt learning, upset others, hurt others, damage the environment, threaten our sense of belonging	
ENCOURAGE	VALUED BEHAVIOURS  Allow everyone to learn, make people feel good, keep everyone safe, protect the environment, maintain our sense of belonging	

You can find our latest Behaviour Policy <u>here</u> or on our school website.

### **Strong Start**

The Strong Start team are holding two one-hour Sing and Story sessions in October. These sessions are suitable for families with children under 5.

The sessions will include storytelling, singing and activities connected to the theme of the story.

11 October 10-11am @ Daventry Children's Centre

17 October 10-11am @ Towcester Children's Centre

### Str ng Start Sing and Story with Me Helping you to be a happy, healthy family

An hour session of singing new and traditional songs themed around a story. Find out how you can support your child's language development at home. You will be able to meet other families and socialise. This session is suitable for babies and children under 5.

After the session there will be an opportunity for you to talk with our qualified Early Years professionals about development and wellbeing topics, ask questions and share any concerns or worries you have about your child or your own wellbeing.





Scan the QR code for the latest programme dates and for more information on Eventbrite.

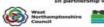
You can also follow us on social media platforms for updates and information.













## Kidz Zone Half Term Club



PROVIDING FUN FILLED HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR



**BOOK NOW** www.kidzzoneclub.com

### October Half Term Multi-Activity Holiday Club

Mon 24 - Fri 28 October 2022 The Grange School, Daventry

Over 20

**Enrichment Activities** Laser tag - Zorbs - Scooters - Den Building - Disco A different one each day

Our Ofsted registered Multi-Activity holiday clubs held at The Grange School Daventry is open from Mon 24 - Fri 28 October 2022.

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 OCTOBER?







Fri 28 Oct Halloween Party





Nerf, Indoor Curling. Archery, Ball Games,

Football, Cricket,

Email: hello@kidzzoneclub.com Phone: 01525 591036 Website: www.kidzzoneclub.com

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### PRICING & PAYMENT

Passes	Times	Price per day	Price per week
Normal hours	9:00am - 4:00pm	£22.50	£105
Extended hours	9:00am - 5:30pm	£28.50	£135
Normal hours ' early bird'	8:00am - 4:00pm	£25.50	£120
Extended hours 'early bird'	8:00am - 5:30pm	£31.50	£150

Book now: www.kidzzoneclub.com (10% off listed prices: 'OCT10')

4 year old pass: Children age 4 can attend for 4 hours please contact hello@kidzzoneclub.com to arrange this - the 4 hours can be am or pm and the cost is £16.



### Holiday Club Dates and Venues

### **VENUES**

The Grange School, Staverton Road, Daventry Northants, NN11 4HW

#### DATES

Mon 24 - Fri 28 Oct 2022

Children will take part in 4 different activities each day linked to the daily theme; from the list below:

#### Sports Starz!

- Running Games
- Ball Games
- Nerf Wars / Curling
- Go-Fencing
- Arrows Archery
- Cricket / Rounders
- Tri Golf
- Tennis
- Outdoor & Adventure

#### Creative Starz!

- Themed puzzles / quiz
- Themed Arts & Crafts
- Nature Explorers
- Circus Skills
- Talent Show

#### Free Play!

A choice of:

- Balls
- Swing ball
- Hoops & Skipping

### 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	Free play	1:00pm - 2:00pm	Creative Starz
9:30am - 10:30am	Sports Starz	2:00pm - 2:30pm	Free play
10:30am - 11:00am	Snack time & Free play	2:30pm - 3:30pm	Sports Starz
11:00am - 12:00pm	Sports Starz - Outdoor & Adventure activity	3:30pm - 4:00pm	Reward time 'presentation'
IMPORTAN	T REMINDERS	4:00pm - 5:30pm	Snack & Movie time /

- · 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".
- Please label all clothing and items being brought to the club.
- . Please wear suitable clothing and trainers for indoor and outdoor activities: sun hats & sun cream during warmer days, or warm clothing & a waterproof when the weather is cooler or more seasonal.
- We suggest packing spare clothes.
- · Sessions that are not attended are still charged unless 10 days notice is given.

