

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE DATE 29th June 2023

With only a few hours to go until the Summer Show kicks off, we are already busy organising our next big event.

We hope your excitement is building for the Summer Fete on Saturday 8th July, 11.00am - 2.00pm. There will be craft stalls, entertainment, lots of edible treats and of course the tombola. We hope you will be able to join us for this exciting event. Thank you for your continued support.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 3rd July **Y3 Fire Service Visit AM Tuesday** 4th July Sports day, Red Wednesday **Y6 Swimming Sycamore** 5th July Wednesday 5th July Sports day, White **Thursday** 6th July Sports day, Blue **Friday** 50:50 Football Event Y5&Y6 7th July Saturday 8th July **Summer Fete 11am-2pm Monday** 10th July Y6 Production 6pm-7pm **Tuesday** 11th July Reserve 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 Reserve Sports day, White Wednesday 12th July Y5 Carbon Monoxide training. Thursday 13th July **School Disco Thursday** 13th July Reserve Sports day, Blue 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 Friday** 21st July School finishes for the Summer Holiday 3.15pm Tuesday 5th Sep School reopens to pupils at 08.45am (Gates 08.40am)

Attendance Matters

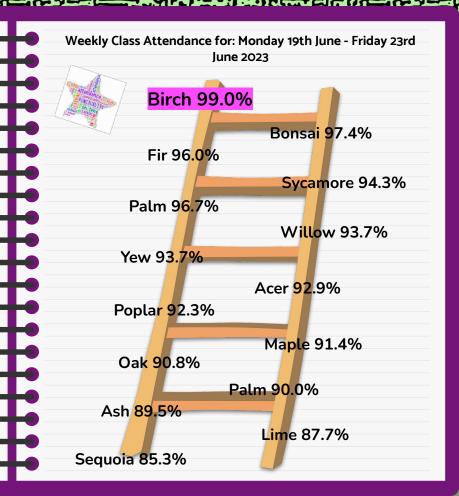
THE GRANGE SCHOOL

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.



Academisation - Questions & Answers

We have very little further information to give to you at this time. The questions below are all frequently asked questions at this time in a school's history. I hope they are useful to you.

NEW INFORMATION:

When will we become an academy?

The Department for Education estimate that we will convert by 1st February 2024, however this may change.

When will all this happen?

It's already happening. The process begins as soon as an academy order is issued. However, academy conversion is a long process, with many stages to complete. The process usually takes approximately 9 months to complete.

Do we know which trust we will join?

No, but as soon as we do, we will let you know.

Will parents' views be taken into account?

Again, no. The DfE have agreed to allow the Head Teacher & the Chair of Governors to give opinions on possible trusts, but no-one from the school will be involved in the final decision.

Rest assured, we are doing all we can to ensure that the chosen trust is the right 'fit' for our school.

Will there be lots of changes?

Change is inevitable and there will be changes. However, it's important to remember that there are always changes from year to year. In order to get better, schools need to make changes for the better.

Again, we will ensure that all changes are communicated to you.

What will those changes be?

At this early stage, we just don't know. It will depend upon the trust selected. Again, you will be informed as soon as it is appropriate to do so. Members of the chosen trust will meet with staff, parents and children when the time is right.

What next?

We wait for the DfE to tell us which trust they have chosen.

32.5 Hours per week

Our school day now runs from 08:45-15:15.

Reception children should aim to be at the classroom door for 08:45 please.

For the Summer Term only, children will not be marked late until after 08:50, but gates and doors will close at 08:45.

After 8:45 am, cloakroom and classroom doors will be closed. Staff are not permitted to let children in through these doors. After this time, children will need to enter school through the main reception area. Please encourage your child to be on time.

School gates open at 08:40 and staff are on the playgrounds to help children to go straight to their class lines. Teachers will be waiting at the head of their class lines.

School start time is 08:45 and children should be lined up on the playground at this time. Staff lead the children in straight away and gates are locked almost immediately. Please encourage your child to line up quickly.

Please do not deliver messages to members of staff at this time, as it prevents them from supervising the children and slows down the process of entering school. Urgent messages should be left at the front office or be sent via Dolo.

You are welcome to talk to school staff directly at the end of each day.

Summer Show 29th June

Tonight is finally the night!

We are all so excited to finally see all the hard work, the children have put in for tonight's Summer Show





SATURDAY 8TH JULY

FROM 11 TO 2

SCHOOL FETE

Please join us for summer fun!

We are delighted to be hosting a summer fete for all our children, their families and friends.

If you would like to host a stall / pop-up shop, provide entertainment or provide catering for this event please contact mrs.calow@thegrangeschooldaventry.net Lots to eat and drink

Games and Entertainment for all ages

Amazing raffle prizes

Stalls and Pop-Up Shops

> The Grange School Staverton Road Daventry NN11 4HW

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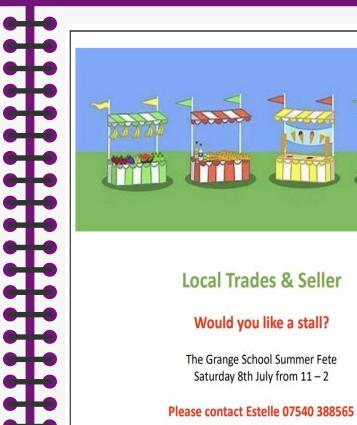


Face Painters & Children's Entertainers Required

The Grange School Summer Fete

Saturday 8th July from 11 – 2

Please contact Estelle 07540 388565





We are looking for donation for the Tombola at the Summer Fete.

Do you have any unwanted toiletry sets?

Do you have any unwanted gifts?

Or any good quality toys?

All donations gratefully accepted.

Please bring any donations to the school office.

Thank you.

We're collecting donations of <u>tins and</u> <u>bottles</u> for our tombola. Please send in any donations you may have from Friday 30th June.

Your support is always very much appreciated.



Summer Fete Related



Friday 30th June will be Mufti Day
Children are invited to dress down on Friday 30th June in exchange for a
donation to our sweetie tombola which will run on Saturday 8th July.
(We kindly request no chocolate)







COMMUNICATION MATTERS



THIS NEWSLETTER IS OUR MAIN FORM OF COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS.

ALL GENERAL INFORMATION IS INCLUDED ON OUR NEWSLETTER EACH WEEK.

WE SEND THE NEWSLETTER TO YOU VIA PARENTPAY AND IT IS UPLOADED TO OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE EACH WEEK.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU ALWAYS READ IT.

IS THIS YOU?

Congratulations - you've massively improved the number of parents who have signed up to Parentpay.

But we currently have the following numbers of parents who have **not yet activated their ParentPay** accounts:

Reception - 1 parent

Year 1 - 2 parents Year 2 - 1 parent

Year 3 - 1 parent Year 4 - 6 parents

Year 5 - 4 parents Year 6 - 1 parent We use **ParentPay** to send all important information to you. This includes notifying you about head injuries.

It is VITAL that you please activate your ParentPay account - please ask if you need help to do so.

You are missing out on important information.

We will once again re-issue your account details to you - PLEASE activate your account. You are missing out on crucial information.



Y2 Trip to the Mosque

Pupils from the Grange School Daventry had a wonderful time visiting the Daventry Masjid, Cottesbrook Park. The children were able to ask the Imam questions about the religion of Islam,

whilst being able to look around the Mosque.
The children were also shown the Islamic holy
book

'The Quran' and listened to the Imam read in Arabic. The children were keen to share their experience with other pupils at school. A marvellous days learning!

Staff would like to express their gratitude to the Daventry Muslim Association for their time and hospitality.



WELLBEING MATTERS



