



Spring Term 1 – FEBRUARY 2022 - Newsletter (Issue Number 44)
END OF FIRST HALF-TERM
Friday 11th February, 2022
Spring Term – Pupils Back to School – Monday 21st February, 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

The new year has started in full! Thank you all for working with us whilst we continue to navigate the choppy waters of Covid. The children have settled in well and I wish to thank them and you all for this.

Fundraising

Thank you to all those who took part in the Christmas raffle. We have been able to use the money raised to purchase more reading scheme and library books for pupils to borrow across school.

Attendance

Please be aware that if your child is absent from school for five consecutive school days, they are classed as a ***Child Missing in Education*** and a home visit will be carried out by the school, followed by us reporting this to the Local Authority. We understand Covid is having an effect on children's school attendance but please follow the Government Guidance and update the school, as there are procedures we need to follow. Hopefully, our overall school attendance will continue to improve and we appreciate your support with this.

Mini Police Ambassadors

Humberside Police have offered to help teach children about the work they do and the importance of being active members of their community. Some of our pupils have been invited to specially prepared sessions, run by PCSOs, teaching them about a range of topics to help them become Mini Police Ambassadors and learn all about helping to keep themselves and their classmates safe; this is a great contribution to whole school improvement using our pupils' voice. The sessions include information about online safety, crime prevention and social responsibility as well as lessons about the impact that bullying and antisocial behaviour can have on a community. The pupils who've been engaging in this programme have been highly celebrated by the PCSOs for how well behaved, courteous and exemplary they've been. I want to thank them personally for being such great role models for all.

Events

Year 1 - On Wednesday 23rd February 2022, parents/carers are invited to attend a phonics workshop. This will take place in the school hall at 9am. Please enter through the main office.

Year 6 – On Monday 28th February 2022, parents/carers are invited to attend a Key Stage 2 SATs information meeting. This will take place in the school hall at 2.30pm. Please enter through the main office.

Whole School – Monday 28th February till Wednesday 2nd March 2022, the Book Fair will be held in the hall after school. Entry via the hall doors from Key Stage 2 playground.

Year 2 – Tuesday 1st March 2022, parents/carers are invited to attend a Key Stage 1 SATs information meeting. This will take place in the school hall at 2.30pm. Please enter through the main office.

Whole School – Thursday 3rd March 2022, is World Book Day. We will have owls visiting us! Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character.

Sporting Events

On the 1st February, a group of KS2 children attended the cross-country championships held at Central Park by the Get Ahead sports partnership. We attended with many other schools in the local authority. Despite the very windy weather, all the children put in tremendous effort, enjoyed the event and did really well. We can't wait to take part in more sporting events to represent our school. Thank you to parents/carers who transported and supported their children.

On the 4th February, four pupils went to another sporting event (Future Stars Sheffield), held at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield. Thank you to Miss Gibbons and her team for all their effort in making these events happen for our pupils.

Fantastic effort all round, Team Grange!

Parents Meetings

Parents meetings will take place week commencing 7th March 2022. Please contact the office by Monday 28th February 2022 to arrange a time.

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Date</u>
F1 & FS2	Monday 7 th March
Year 1 & Year 2	Tuesday 8 th March
Year 3 & Year 4	Wednesday 9 th March
Year 5 & Year 6	Thursday 10 th March

Staff Update

- Mrs Fisher has left the Grange Primary School with effect from 31st December 2021 to pursue new opportunities. The Governors thank her for all her efforts over the many years she has worked here and wish her well for the future.
- Mrs Davey, one of our longest serving members of staff, will be saying farewell after twenty-seven years working at both the junior and the primary schools. Her commitment to the school and to every single pupil she has worked with cannot be measured. She has brought such pleasure to so many faces, especially with her flare for gardening and other enrichment activities. Decorating lunchtime award tables, going out of her way to buy prizes, organising raffle tickets for pupils and baking for various school fundraising events, are just a handful of her contributions beyond the academics. We thank her most sincerely and wish her a happy retirement. We will be welcoming her back in another form – as a school governor!
- Mrs Simpson will return to the school after her maternity leave. She will be the teacher of Foundation Stage 1 (Nursery) until the end of this academic year.

After-school Clubs

After-school Clubs for the next half-term are as follows and will begin week commencing 21st February 2022:

<u>Day</u>	<u>After School Club</u>
Mondays 21 st and 28 th February 7 th , 14 th and 21 st March 3pm-4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading and Maths Y1 and Y2 6 spaces Mrs Knowles Maths and Wellbeing Y5 and Y6 12 spaces Mrs Mawson and Mrs Fanthorpe
Thursdays 24 th February 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th and 24 th March 3pm-4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-Sports Y3 and Y4 20 places Mr Kershaw – Premier Sports

Feel Good Fridays

These will continue; both staff and children cherish these days.

Year 5 Careers Day – Friday 4th February

Mrs Hempstock led the school through a highly successful Careers Day for our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. This was a whole day's event, starting with pupils researching possible jobs of interest and what these entail and culminating at the end of the day with parents/carers invited to join in. We were very well supported by the attendance of representatives from various professions, who volunteered their time and expertise to this event.

I wish to thank all the volunteers, their organisations, the pupils for how well behaved and enthusiastic they were, the family members for supporting us with their attendances, the school staff and Governors who contributed and to Mrs Hemstock for organising it all – thank you!

PE Days – Spring Term 2

Children should come to school in their **PE uniform** on their PE days but this kit must be the school PE kit colours (black shorts, a plain white T-shirt, trainers and a jumper/joggers in colder weather). If children are not wearing the correct kit (i.e. pink tops, T-shirts with cartoon characters, logos other than the school's etc), parents/carers will be contacted and asked to bring in the correct kit, or they must bring in their formal school uniform, to get changed into. PE kit/uniform requirements are also outlined on the school's website.

Monday	Y1
Tuesday	Y6
Wednesday	FS2 and Y2
Thursday (delivered by Primary Sports)	Y4 and 5
Friday	Y3

Diary Dates:

School Dates		
Term	Dates	Activity
2022		
Spring	Friday 11th February	Half-term
	Monday 21st February	Pupils Back
	Friday 1st April	End of Term
Summer	Tuesday 19th April	Staff Training Day
	Wednesday 20th April	Pupils Back
	Monday 2nd May	CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
	Friday 27th May	Half-term
	Monday 6th June	Pupils Back
	Wednesday 20th July	End of Term – Queen's Jubilee Date given to school

Wishing you all a good half-term break,
Mrs Thorpe and all the staff.