



Autumn Term 1 – October 2022 - Newsletter (Issue Number 48)

HALF-TERM

Friday 21st October

to

Monday 31st October

Autumn Term 2 – Pupils and Staff Back to School – Monday 31st October

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of this academic year. We have got off to a good start – all children have settled back into the routine of school life. I must especially congratulate the children in nursery who are already showing great independence.

Thank you to all those who supported the ‘Bake Sale’ this term. We raised £441.40! We are also very grateful to all the staff and pupils, including governors, who contributed with the baking and organising of this very successful event.

Events and Trips

- Year 3 and Year 4 took part in a Money Sense workshop delivered by HSBC. This supported children in understanding money, budgeting and saving - a vital life skill.
- Classes across school have taken part in a range of online author workshops this half term, from the renowned author of The Wizards of Once and How to Train Your Dragon, Cressida Cowell, and the much-loved author of The Gruffalo, Julia Donaldson.
- We are very fortunate to have been selected to take part in the Firefighter Reading Project. A selection of pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 are reading with firefighters from Scunthorpe - we are very grateful for their time to promote reading within school.
- Sincere thanks to Mrs Parker (pastoral assistant) and Mrs Davey (school governor) for their time and efforts this half term in preparing a hugely successful MacMillan bake sale. With the help of the School Council, subject representatives and generous donations from parents and carers, the school has raised £440.41 for MacMillan.
- After a long break due to covid restrictions, we have been able to welcome back to school Pat Chennels from the Ashby Wesleyan Church, who delivered our Harvest Assembly to pupils. We value the links we have within our community and are pleased to welcome visitors back into school this year.

Supporter to Reporter – Year 5

A selection of pupils in Year 5 have embarked upon an exciting project with Scunthorpe United football club this half term, in association with Study Parks. This is a project we have done for several years now as we find it very beneficial for pupils in so many aspects. They have visited the stadium each week to take part in lessons to develop their speaking and listening and writing skills. They have even had the opportunity to interview players, have a stadium tour and attend a Scunthorpe United match to take part in live match reporting.

Staff Update

Our new staff have settled in well into life at The Grange. Thank you to all the pupils, parents/carers and staff for welcoming them.

Teachers

In Year 2, we have Miss Henderson, and in Year 3, Miss Ashworth.

Learning Assistants

Mrs Mawer, Miss Khan, Miss Cole.

Administrative Staff

Mrs Swaby in the main office.

Other staffing news

Mrs Chowdhury has returned to us after her maternity leave. Her baby girl has already visited us a few times in school. We welcome her back to life at the Grange.

After-school Clubs

Day	After School
Mondays 3pm - 4pm	Papercraft Y1 and Y2 SATS boosters Y6 - invite only
Wednesday 3pm - 4pm	Glockenspiel Y3 and Y4 Arts Award Y5 and Y6 - invite only (continuing from Autumn 1)
Thursdays 3pm - 4pm	Multisport Y5 and Y6

Attendance and Punctuality

We would like to remind you of the school's attendance procedures.

If your child is absent from school, please contact us daily on 01724 843601 to share:

1. The reason your child is not at school
2. The date you expect your child to return to school.

At 8.40am until 8.50am, all the school doors are open and pupils are expected to arrive into their classrooms.

Classroom doors are closed promptly at 8.50am and the only way to get into school after this time is via the school office. This is to prevent any disruption to the learning of children already in school.

All children who arrive after 8.50am, must report to the school office.

Children who arrive after 8:50am but before 9:00am will be marked as late (Attendance Code L) in the attendance record and parents/pupils must record the reason for lateness to office staff.

Any child who arrives for school later than 9:00am will be marked as having an unauthorised absence for the morning. (Attendance code U).

If you are experiencing any difficulties with getting your child to school regularly (and on time) then please ask to speak to Mrs Hempstock (Pastoral Manager). We look forward to working together with you in ensuring your child's regular attendance to school.

Parents/Carers Meetings

A letter has been sent out and times will be allocated. These are face-to-face meetings.

Day/Date	Year Group
Monday – 7 th November	Foundation Stage 1 and 2
Tuesday – 8 th November	KS1
Wednesday – 9 th November	Year 5 and 6
Thursday – 10 th November	Year 3 and 4

Feel Good Fridays

These continue to be popular and thus will continue until otherwise.

PE Days – Autumn Term 2

Children should come to school in their **PE uniform** on their PE days; 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.

PE Days for Autumn 2 Please remove jewellery and wear PE kit.	
Monday	Year 5
Tuesday	FS2 Year 1
Wednesday	Year 6
Thursday (delivered by Primary Sports)	Year 3 Year 4
Friday	Year 2

Diary Dates:

School Dates		
Term	Dates	Activity
Autumn 2022	Monday 5 th September	Staff and Pupils Back
	Friday 21 st October	Half-term
	Monday 31 st October	Pupils back to school
	Thursday 15 th December	Pupils End of Term
	Friday 16 th December	Staff INSET Day
Spring 2023	Tuesday 3 rd January	Staff INSET Day
	Wednesday 4 th January	Pupils back to school
	Friday 10 th February	Half-term
	Monday 20 th February	Pupils back to school
	Friday 31 st March	End of Term
MAY DAY Monday 1st MAY – SCHOOL CLOSED		
Summer 2023	Monday 17 th April	Staff INSET Day
	Tuesday 18 th April	Pupils back to school
	Monday 8 th May to Thursday 11 th May	Year 6 SATS WEEK
	Friday 26 th May	Half-term
	Monday 5 th June	Pupils back to school
	Friday 21 st July	End of Term
Autumn 2023	Monday 4 th September	Staff INSET Day
	Tuesday 5 th September	Pupils back to school

Have a restful half-term break,
Mrs Thorpe and all the staff.