

# Grange Juniors News

## Autumn Term 2, 2019



I hope you all enjoyed the Half Term break and are ready for the lead up to Christmas! With the Christmas Fair only two weeks away, I know that the PTA are still in need of help on the day, please let the office know if you can help out for a few hours.



The Christmas Fair takes place on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**, please come along and you may even win an extra friend to take home with you. Guess the bear's name correctly and you will become the new owner.

### Remembrance

Armistice Day marks the day World War One ended, at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month, back in 1918.

Thank you to the parents and pupils who helped us spend some time in remembrance by wearing a red poppy and spending 2 minutes in silence. With the purchase of poppy wristbands and keyrings you supported the Royal British Legion who are responsible for helping those veterans and service men and women in need.



### Children in need

This week we have all taken part in a variety of fundraising activities led by School Council and Miss Edwards to support children in need. Did you know that Pudsey Bear made his television debut in 1985. He was named after Pudsey a town in Yorkshire where the BBC's graphics designer was born.

### Coats and fleeces

Now that the cold weather is coming it is vital that all children have a warm coat in school every day. Hats and gloves too. Children may also wish to dress warmly for outdoor PE. This can include jogging bottoms and fleeces.



### Polling station

The school is used by the council as a Polling station and as such has a planned **closure for 12 December** for a general election. The school has a duty to comply with the Parliamentary request to be used for the purposes of a Polling Station. We apologise for the inconvenience.

### Fruity Friday

Fruit and vegetables are part of a healthy, balanced diet and can help you stay healthy. The children are doing of brilliant job of bringing in their fruit to eat at break time every Friday.



The run up to Christmas is filled with school events, so don't forget to put some dates in your diary.

### **Christmas cards**

School Christmas Post Box will be open from Monday 2nd December – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Children are asked not to hand cards out to their friends directly but to post their cards in the box, which will be in the library. Children need to write the **first and last name and class** of the person who they are sending the card to.



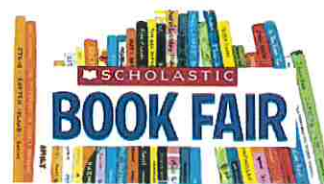
### **Christmas performance**

The year 3 /4 production of 'The Inn Crowd' ticketed performances will be on **5th December** at 1.30pm and again at 6pm.

Parents are also invited to watch pupils in Year 5/6 take part in the Christingle service at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am.

### **Book Fair**

There will be a book fair from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December to give you the chance to purchase some additional Christmas presents.



### **Christmas lunch**

Christmas lunch will be on 19<sup>th</sup> December. Those children who have not booked a lunch will need to bring a packed lunch to school as normal. Children may wish to wear their Christmas hats, antlers or Christmas jumpers that day.

### **Pantomime**

The entire school will sit down to enjoy a traditional pantomime of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' on 19<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Last day of term**

The Christingle service will only involve children in Year 5 and Year 6 and choir. Please feel free to join us at 10.00am on the last day of term in the Church of the Good Shepherd to sing some Christmas carols and see the children with their Christingles. Parents wishing to collect pupils early that day may collect from the playground at 1.15pm. All other children will remain in school and be collected at 3.15pm as usual.