

Grange Juniors News

Spring Term Newsletter



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Dear Parents

So far in Spring term, we have seen every season of weather. Hasn't it been so lovely to see the sunshine recently, it makes such a difference! We are busy planning lots of Summer Term events; it'll be great to get back to the community events such as the Kings Coronation and Sports Days.

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Well done to all the Easter raffle ticket winners! Every class had a winner and Heron class had 8 winners.



UNIFORM- please donate

We know that children grow incredibly quickly. If you have any items of school uniform, including PE kit that your child has grown out of, we will gratefully accept them in school.

FUND RAISING

We would like to extend a very big 'Thank you' for the



donations recently raised. We are very grateful to members of the PTA who have organised events this year that have helped to raise money for both the school and for charities. The recent Mothers Day Sale managed to raise £371, which will go directly back into things for the children in school. This year we are trying to raise money to refurbish our library.

We hope that all the mothers/grandmothers enjoyed their 'Mother's Day' and any gifts that the children chose to purchase.

For Comic Relief the event raised £209. I am sure that this will be gratefully received.

School Council held a cake sale in order to raise money for their ongoing project of re-vamping the lunchtime play equipment. Well done to them.

TRIPS

Year 3 had an exciting day being transported back to the Iron Age. They were great history detectives carrying out research using a selection of artefacts. They also became warriors for the afternoon after experiencing some warrior training.



Year 3 will be visiting Wisley Gardens soon and Year 5 are looking forward to the Treasure Island workshop.



hello Spring



LOCAL EVENTS

Wellesley Woodlands is a 110 hectare green-space in the heart of Aldershot.



Wellesley Woodlands

Regular activities, walks are organised on site. To find out more visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/WellesleyWoodlands/>

EASTER EVENTS

Hop down with your little ones to Princes Mead Shopping Centre, Farnborough for Free Easter Holiday face painting on Easter Saturday 8th April 11am-4pm.

On 16th April there will be an Easter hunt in Queensmead opposite Greggs. There will be storytelling, puzzles to solve and trails to explore. This is a free event with no need to book. It runs from 10am-3pm.

At Easter the Aldershot military museum will be open from Saturday 1st April – Saturday 8th April 10:00 - 16:00 & Monday 10th April – Sunday 16th April 10:00 - 16:00.

Hampshire Libraries are hosting a range of Easter and spring events for children over the holidays. Expect lots of craft, singing, stories and fun! All activities are 'Pay what you decide.'

Miller's Ark Animals, Hook – Open Days for All Ages – Easter Holiday Day Dates – 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16 April – Come and see all their wonderful farm animals - piglets, goat kids, sheep and lambs, cows, miniature donkeys and their adorable foals, Daisy the Shire horse, fancy chicken, cheerful ducks and of course Dave the turkey. Entry for open days is £12 per adult and £10 2-15 year olds, under 2's are free. Pre booking ONLY. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/millersark>

FUN IN THE SNOW!

We made the most of our day of snow in March—we had just enough snow to make a snowman. We do try to keep the school open during inclement weather unless it is unsafe for pupils and staff to get to school. When we have snow days we do like the children to have a short time outside to enjoy it, and it is really useful if they bring welly boots or a change of shoes and socks.



SOCIAL MEDIA

As a school we can spend hours sorting out issues on social media which have happened after school or at weekends.

It is important to remember that all social media forums are not for under 13 year olds, so if you allow your child on them before that age then you should be monitoring it regularly and randomly. This can be quite eye opening. When children first get onto social media they can find it hard to find the right tone and we have had to deal with some quite upsetting comments. As a parent you can link your own phone to your child's and see what they are doing. **See our safety newsletter from June 2022 for details for how to do this.** This can be found on the school website.

DIARY DATES

3rd-14th April—Easter holidays

24th April—Year 5 Treasure Island Experience

26th April—School photos

5th May—Kings Coronation Street Party

8th May—Bank holiday

9-12th May—Y6 SATs

29 May –2 June HALF TERM

Dates
for your

