

Grange Juniors News

Summer Term Newsletter



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Dear Parents

It's hard to believe that we are almost in our final week of the school year; although I think that everyone is tired and ready for a holiday now!

The children have met their new teachers and classmates too. We do understand that this can feel a bit unsettling for some but it is also a great opportunity to look ahead and make new friends too; I know that our Year 6s are definitely ready for the challenge!

I would like to thank you, the staff team and our Governors for all the support, dedication and determination shown and shared through the year, A huge thank you to the children too; they are the reason we are all here and drive our continued commitment to achieve the very best we can.

Wishing you all a wonderful Summer break, here's to next year and the new challenges and adventures it will bring.

Ms Burgess

READING

We hope that many parents and children will take advantage of the reading afternoon. It is a known fact that children who read widely get better at it. The Summer Reading Challenge is a fantastic opportunity for children to keep their reading skills fresh over the school holidays while enjoying the books they love.

Hampshire libraries run the summer reading challenge every year, where children read any 6 books (big books, small books, picture books, eBooks, audio books and they receive a certificate and medal at the end. etc.)

This year's theme 'Marvellous Makers!' is aimed at encouraging children to express their creativity through the books they choose to read and the activities they take part in.



COLLECTION OF ITEMS

Medicines

If your child has medicine in school, please collect this from the office on Friday 19 July as it cannot be sent home with children.

Lost property

This will be put out on the last days of term – after that any unnamed items will be disposed of. This includes bicycles and scooters which are left in the bike shed.

Library books

Please have a rummage at home and return any school books—we currently have over 100 books missing.

INSET DAYS 2024-25

2nd September 2024

4th November 2024

6th January 2025

21st & 22nd July 2025



SUMMER

SPORTS DAY

Despite the rain the children managed to enjoy a fantastic sports day in June. Luckily the sun came out in the afternoon and we were able to continue with the day. The scores were really close but this years winners were St Patrick (green team). Well done.



TRIPS AND VISITORS

The children have enjoyed themselves with some enrichment activities over the summer term. Year 5 spent a day in Selbourne where they engaged in some river field studies.



Year 6 carried out some further enquiries into the 1940s particularly finding out about how the second world war had

such an impact on everyone.

And year 4 did some hands on learning at Butser ancient farm where they discovered more about life in Celtic and Anglo Saxon Britain.

SATS

Although these are not formally published yet this year, our Years 6s did really well and our results are higher than the National figures. Any remarked papers will only increase the numbers. A big well done to all of year 6 who worked very hard.

% achieving Age Related Expectations	Reading	Writing	Spelling, punctuation and grammar	Maths
School	80%	80%	77%	80%
National	73%	71%	71%	73%

WELL DONE TO EVERYONE

As the children have all worked so very hard this year they had a special treat with a performance of 'The wizard of Oz'. It was a brilliant show, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.



LAST DAYS OF TERM

18 July Year 6 Leavers event at 9.15am for year 6 parents.

Friday 19 July is the last day of term. Pick up time will be either 1.15 or 3.15. (no time in between). After school club will operate as usual.

Children leaving at the earlier time will NOT be allowed to leave unless they are with an adult.

