

Grange Junior Bulletin



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School



TEAMWORK

coming together is a *Beginning*
keeping together is *Progress*
working together is *Success*

-Henry Ford

Welcome from Mrs Dickenson

Welcome to our weekly bulletin and welcome back for the new term! The children have settled in well this week and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you and them for the warm welcome that you have given me. I feel part of the Grange family already.

If you haven't introduced yourself to me yet, please don't hesitate to talk to me on the lower school playground at the end of the day. If you would like to meet with me more privately, please make an appointment through the office.

It is my intention that the weekly bulletin will include the latest information about forthcoming events and any relevant notices so that you feel fully informed. The staff and I will also be issuing a termly newsletter with all of the news and views about the learning that has happened during the term. This will include photos and reports from staff and children. I hope you enjoy exploring all that has happened when the first newsletter is issued in October.

If you would like to contribute towards the school's development, I will be holding a termly parent's forum. This will allow me to share with you our thoughts and ideas about how to take the school forward and it is also a chance for you to ask any questions and put forward your own ideas. Obviously I can't meet with all parents, but hopefully a small group can meet so that parent's feel that they have a voice at the school. The first Parent's Forum will be held on Friday 27th September at 12.00 and I hope that those who are able to attend will then join us for our Friday celebration assembly.

Safeguarding

We take the safety of our children very seriously. Please can we ask that dogs are not brought onto site and that the entry gates are kept clear to allow ease of access.

We welcome you visiting the school and encourage you to come and see us if you have any queries or concerns. Entry to the school building is through the main entrance only unless accompanied by a member of staff.

Should you have any safeguarding concerns, please raise them with one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads; Ms Brown, Mrs Arthur or me.

Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart in their school uniform. Please can we ask you to label all clothing, especially jumpers and cardigans. We have already had a couple of pieces of lost property and are unable to reunite them with their owners.

We would also like to remind parents that long hair should be tied back for Health and Safety reasons. Many thanks for your support with this.

FoGS

Hello from FoGS. We're here to help the school give the best opportunities for the children in the school. We do this by holding events throughout the year to raise monies which are then used to provide enrichment for the children's learning and wider experiences. We really need your help to continue doing this. If you would like to find out more about how to get involved on a regular or casual basis, our AGM meeting will be held at the school on Wednesday 11th September from 6.30pm. Feel free to come along and meet the team. Alternatively you can contact us on hellofogs@outlook.com. More details about recent events can be found on our facebook page.

Hope to hear from you soon, Ellen.

Dates for your diary

- Tue 10th September – Meet the Teacher for years 3 (5.00pm) and 5 (5.30pm)
- Wed 11th September – Meet the Teacher for years 4 (5.00pm) and 6 (5.30pm)
- Wed 11th September – FoGS AGM Meeting (6.30pm)
- Fri 20th September – Jeans for Genes Day (£1 donation to wear jeans to school)
- Thu 26th September - European Languages Day
- Fri 27th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning and Open School (8.50 – 10am)
- Fri 27th September – Parent Forum (12.00 pm)
- Thu 3rd October – National Poetry Day
- Week beginning 7th October – Fire Safety week
- Fri 18th October – FoGS Hallowe'en Disco at Grange Leisure
- Wed 23rd October – LAST DAY OF TERM (day ends at 3.20pm)
- Mon 4th November – First day of term
- Wed 6th November – FoGS Firework Event
- Week beginning 11th November – Anti Bullying week
- Mon 11th November – Remembrance Commemoration
- Tue 12th November – Year 5 Meet the Author Event at Kingsdown School
- Fri 15th November – Children in Need (more details later)
- Week beginning 18th November – Road Safety week
- Thu 28th November – FoGS Christmas Shopping Event
- Fri 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation – charity TBC)
- Fri 13th December – FoGS Film & Pizza Event – more details to follow
- Fri 20th December – LAST DAY OF TERM (day ends at 1.30pm)

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Whole School

Meet the Teacher Invitation