

# Grange Primary School

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## A message about our wonderful year 6 pupils

The children in year 6 have officially completed their SATs and we couldn't be any prouder of how they have tackled them this week. It has been lovely to see them all in their SATs breakfast each morning, chatting to their friends and to see how confidently they have attempted each paper. Every one of the children has worked their socks off this year and should be so incredibly proud of how far they have come. Their determination, resilience and positivity throughout the week has been remarkable and we are all so very proud of them.



We hope that you all enjoyed your well-deserved SATs party this afternoon and are looking forward to the other exciting things to come - visiting secondary schools, Mersea, Make £5 grow and so much more!



## Sports Day

Please find below the dates for this year's sports days. The event for years 1-6 will run from 1:30 until the end of the school day, at which point parents can take their children home.

- EYFS, year 1 and 2 - Friday 19th June at 1:30
- Year 3, 4 and 5 - Friday 26th June at 1:30
- Year 6 - 9am on Friday 10th July



## Sponsored mini marathon - Change of date

After half term, we will be hosting a sponsored mini marathon event. The children will be running or walking 2.6 km in order to raise money for much-needed sports and lunch time equipment. We will send out more information about the event soon.



## More to celebrate!

A big well done to everybody who has received a gold card, certificate or postcard from their class teacher this week!



## Dates for your diary

### May



<b>Monday 18th</b>	Year 5/6 trip to the Tower of London
<b>Monday 25th— Friday 29th</b>	Half term. Children return on Monday 1st June

### June

<b>Wednesday 3rd</b>	Class photos	
<b>Monday 8th</b>	INSET day - school closed to pupils	
<b>Wednesday 10th - Friday 12th</b>	Year 6 Mersea residential	
<b>Friday 12th</b>	Year 5 bushcraft day	
<b>Tuesday 16th</b>	Year 1/2 Knights and castles workshops	
<b>Thursday 18th and Friday 19th</b>	PTA Father's Day sale	
<b>Friday 19th</b>	EYFS, year 1 and 2 sports day	
<b>Thursday 25th</b>	SEN parents coffee morning	
<b>Friday 26th</b>	Year 3 - 5 sports day	

## Celebration

We enjoy seeing what the children are proud of outside of school, so please send your photos to Miss Langley!

**Kipras got a trophy for his hard work throughout a football match.**



**Daisy got second place in her first ever trampolining competition!**

**Mae entered her first trampolining competition and got a medal.**



Grace came second for disco freestyle pairs in her dance competition.



Codey and Theo were the under 7 ESF champions.



### Holiday activities

Check out the [school Facebook page](#) for information about any activities taking place nearby or over the May half term. We always post anything we feel may be of interest to families and children, so keep an eye out!

This week you will find information about half term activities at the MegaCentre in Rayleigh and family open days at the Essex Fire Museum.



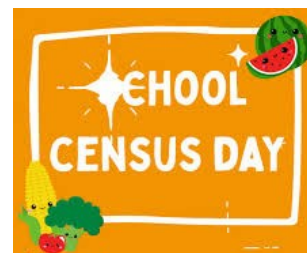
The MegaCentre Rayleigh

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## Census day - lucky plate!

Next Thursday is census day, so we will be running our lucky plate lunch again and have swapped the menu so that it is our delicious new hotdogs! The number of children who have school dinners on census days directly affects the school's funding, so please consider giving your child a school dinner. They will be in with the chance of winning a £5 voucher just for having a school dinner - good luck everyone!



## School dinners

Next week will be week 3 of the dinner menu. As ever, please look through the menu with your child and discuss the options so that they know what they would like! Please note the menu change—we have swapped Thursday and Friday's meals for census day.



## Dinner Menu Week 3



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Red</b>	Pepperoni pasta bake	Sausage rolls	Chicken stack wrap	Hot dog	Chilli con carne
<b>Green</b>	Tomato pasta bake	Vegan sausage rolls	Cheesy stack wrap	Veggie hot dog	Veggie chilli
<b>On the side</b>	Garlic bread	Mash	Pasta salad	Chips	Rice
<b>Veg and salad</b>	A choice of peas, sweetcorn, carrots and beans Salad bar				
<b>Yellow</b>	Jacket potato with a choice of beans, cheese or tuna				
<b>Blue</b>	Baguette with tuna, cheese or ham. Served with a dessert and salad/veggies of your choice.				
<b>Dessert</b>	Coconut and cranberry cookie	Iced school cake	Jelly	Marble cake	Angel delight
	A range of yoghurt and fruit are available each day				

## School bags



We are finding that more and more children are bringing in big bags and toys and important items from home. As we are sure you can appreciate, we do not have a lot of space for bags at school, so please encourage your child to bring in a small bag, preferably a book bag. While we say children can have a keyring on their book bag to help identify it, please check that children are not bringing in toys from home. These can get lost and cause issues at school, so please try to ensure that they are not coming into school. Thank you for your support with this!

## Rewards and achievements in school

This week's Headteacher awards for **determination**, **co-operation**, **imagination** and **excellence** were awarded to the following children.

EYFS	
Elsie D	<b>Excellence</b>
Amelia-Lily H	<b>Determination</b>
Year 1 and 2	
Jaxx B	<b>Excellence</b>
Buddy F	<b>Co-operation</b>
Oscar B	<b>Co-operation</b>
Year 3 and 4	
Willow H	<b>Co-operation</b>
Charlie S	<b>Imagination</b>
Austin H	<b>Imagination</b>
Year 5 and 6	
Amelia S	<b>Determination</b>
Finley P	<b>Determination</b>
Mustafa I	<b>Determination</b>



Well done to our star readers this week, who were awarded a golden coin in assembly and got to choose a book from the vending machine to take home and share with their family:

**EYFS and KS1** - Charlie M, Ademola A, Jaxon S, Darcie J and Fifi M

**KS2** - Leo BR, Harlie T, Harper Jer, Rocco V, Bobby F and Stanley S

A big well done to our attendance winners this week:

**Class attendance -spin the wheel!** - Oak Class won teacher's choice!

**Individual 100% attendance** - James T in Beech Class



## PTA events



As we prepare for the Grange PTA Summer Fair on Saturday 27th June 2026, we're excited to share an easy way for our local community to help raise valuable funds for the school. We've partnered with local estate agents who will place advertising boards outside homes in the lead-up to the fair. For every board displayed, the PTA receive £12!

**How you can help:** We're looking for families and local residents who would be happy to have a board displayed outside their home for 8 weeks. It's completely hassle-free and a simple way to support the school. It doesn't matter where you live – whether you're on a busy road, a quiet street, or even a cul-de-sac. The aim is to have boards spread all across the town, so every location helps!

**Sign up here:** <https://tinyurl.com/mvkxm4fk>

**Get involved in the fair!** We're also looking for local community groups and performers to be part of the day – whether it's singing, dancing, martial arts, or something unique! If you'd like to perform, please get in touch.

**Thank you for your continued support – every contribution helps us create more opportunities and memorable experiences for all our children!**



# DONATE TEDDY BEARS and SOFT TOYS

FOR OUR SUMMER FETE

We are collecting  
new or pre-loved teddy bears  
and soft toys for our  
Summer Fete!



Your  
donation  
will bring  
smiles!

♥ PLEASE DONATE  
NEW OR CLEAN,  
PRE-LOVED TOYS  
IN GOOD CONDITION

DROP OFF AT:  
School Office / Reception  
By: Friday 22nd May

Thank you!



Let's make this Summer Fete extra special –  
together we can make a big difference!



# GRANGE PRIMARY

# PTA MEETING

Your school, your say,  
our children's future!

FRIDAY  
**15<sup>TH</sup>**  
MAY



**7.30 PM**

IN  
THE  
ZONE



Everyone welcome!  
Together we can make a difference.

Get involved. Share ideas. Support our school.