

# Grange Primary School

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Friday, 14th February 2025

## Half term

We have come to the end of another half term and we are now officially half way through the school year. It has been lovely to see the children enjoying their learning and taking part in everything. There have been lots of great activities in school, sporting events, visitors, special days, school

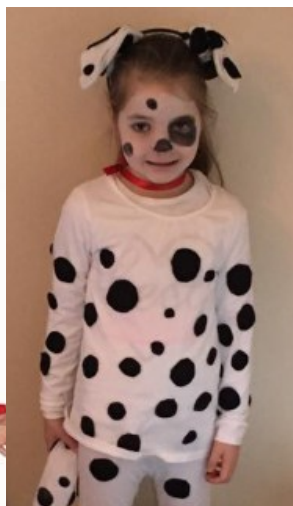
trips and much more this half term and we look forward to seeing what is coming next!

We hope that all of our staff and families have a lovely, relaxing half term. Monday 24th February is an INSET day, so we will see the children bright and early for their launch days on Tuesday 25th.




## World Book Day

On Thursday 6th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day at Grange. As usual, we would love the children to dress up as a fictional character for the day - this can be any character you choose! Please don't feel like you have to go out and buy something especially. Lots of great costumes can be put together with clothes you already have! The English ambassadors and librarians will be taking photographs and choosing a winning costume from each phase on the day and the children will take part in some lovely book-related activities.



## Diary dates - upcoming events

### February

<b>Monday 17th— Friday 21st</b>	Half term	
<b>Monday 24th</b>	INSET day - school closed to children	

### March

<b>Monday 3rd</b>	Parents' evening for Maple Class only	
<b>Tuesday 4th</b>	Parents' evening	
<b>Thursday 6th</b>	World Book Day Parents' evening (Maple class on Monday instead of Thursday)	
<b>Tuesday 11th</b>	Year 3 and 4 Fun Food Company workshops	
<b>Wednesday 12th</b>	EYFS visit from a baby dinosaur!	
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	EYFS and KS1 Science dome	
<b>Friday 21st</b>	Red Nose Day (Comic relief) - Go red!	
<b>Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th</b>	PTA Mother's day sale	

## School dinners

After half term, we will be on week 1 of the menu. Please discuss the options each morning with your child as you know what they are likely to want to eat - thanks!



## Winter Menu Week 1



	Meat free Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Red</b>	Cheesy stack wrap	Cottage pie	All day breakfast	Chicken fajita	Chicken nuggets
<b>Green</b>	Pepper and onion cheesy stack wrap	Gardeners pie	Veggie all day breakfast	Quorn fajita	Veggie fingers
<b>On the side</b>	Beans	Gravy, carrots	Hash brown, beans, egg and tomatoes	Rice, green beans	Chips, sweetcorn and peas
<b>Yellow</b>	Jacket potato with a choice of beans, cheese or tuna				
<b>Blue Grange meal deal</b>	Cheese baguette	Ham wrap	Bacon roll	Chicken fajita wrap	Cheese roll
<b>Dessert</b>	Fruit or yoghurt	Jam & coconut cake	Flapjack	Fruit or yoghurt	Vanilla Ice-cream tub

## Parents' evening

If you have not already done so, you should have received an email to book your parents' evening appointment with your child's class teacher. Please contact the office if you are having trouble getting your slot booked. Thanks

Don't forget parents evening!

## Red Nose Day

On Friday 21st March we will be celebrating Red Nose Day at school. As ever, the children can dress up on this day and donate money for a really worthy cause. The theme for this year's Comic Relief Red Nose Day is 'Go red' so the children can wear red! As usual, we will be selling red noses in school. This year, a payment link has been set up on School Money rather than bringing in cash to buy them. More information will be sent out about these closer to the time.



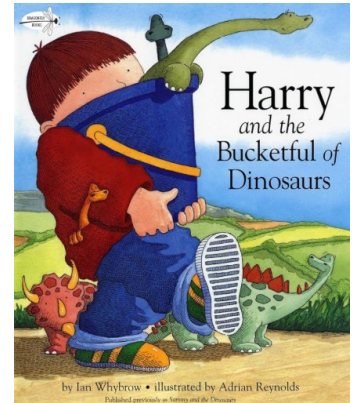
## Our learning next half term

After half term, the children will be starting their new topics and beginning to read their new class stories. Below is everything we will be learning next half term.

### EYFS: Roar!

All about dinosaurs

Event: Science dome and a visit from a baby dinosaur!

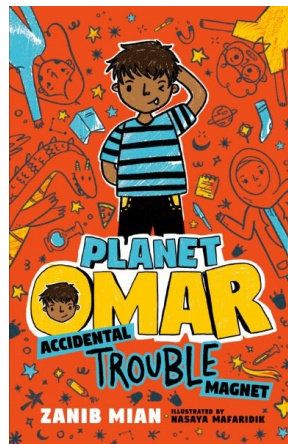


### Year 1 and 2: All around us

What is the weather like in the UK?

'Planet Omar' by Zanib Mian

Event: Science dome



### Year 3 and 4: From field to fork

Where does our food come from?

'How to save the world with a chicken and an egg' by Emma Shevah

Event: Fun food cooking workshops

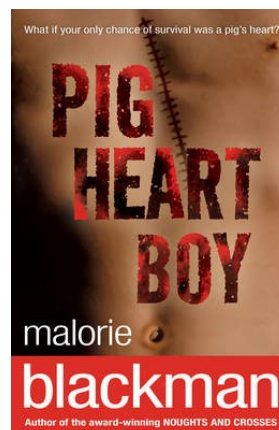


### Year 5 and 6: Off with her head!

What was life like in Tudor England?

'Pig heart boy' by Malorie Blackman

School trip: Hever Castle



***As ever, we will send out more information about school trips and events taking place closer to the time. A big thank you to the PTA for funding all of the events that take place in school - we couldn't give the children so many wonderful experiences without you!***

## Celebration

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

**Codey and Theo played at Ipswich this week.**



**Davinia was star of the week at judo and also received a postcard from her teacher!**

**Harley got parents player of the match at football.**





Ruben got player of the match at football.

Jasper made some delicious cakes for the staff with eggs from our lovely chickens. Thank you Jasper, they were yummy!



## Postcards

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



## Attendance reward

Maple Class enjoyed their sweet treat for winning the attendance last week!



## After school clubs next half term

Below are the clubs taking place next half term.

**Monday**—Dance with Katherine  
EYFS and KS1 football

**Tuesday**—Art

**Wednesday**—KS2 gymnastics

KS1 and KS2 computer skills with Mr Pickup

**Thursday**—KS1 and KS board games with Miss Sutton

**Friday**—KS1 gymnastics



### **Please note:**

Clubs run from 3:20—4:20.

There will be no computer skills club on Wednesday 26th February.

There will be no board games club on Thursday 6th March.

## Rewards and achievements in school

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

EYFS	
Thea F	Imagination
Lily H	Excellence
Year 1 and 2	
Theo L	Determination
Lily-May R	Determination
Henry R	Determination
Year 3 and 4	
Sienna W	Imagination
Parker O	Imagination
Krisia T	Excellence
Year 5 and 6	
Layla H	Imagination
Harley D	Imagination
Tia A	Imagination



'Star Readers' this week who got a book from the vending machine were:

**EYFS and KS1**— Riley A, Harry B, Leo L, Harry H and Lucy M

**KS2** — Daniele B, Frankie N, Harry G, Rose H, Amelia T and Callan K

A big well done to our attendance winners this week:

**Class attendance - spin the wheel!** - Hazel Class had a rave!

**Individual 100% attendance** - Harper Jo in Elder Class





## Sporting events

This week, 8 girls from year 3 and 4 attended a taster session with Carousel gymnastics club. They got to have a go on the beams, bars, springboards and also some of the floor apparatus. They all had a fantastic time! Please see a flyer on our school Facebook page if you are interested.



On Thursday, the year 5/6 netball team took part in the third and final session of the Wickford school games competition organised by William De Ferrers. They finished first on the night, meaning that they also finished first overall. The team now progress to the partnership finals in April. Well done girls and a big thank you to our parent helpers, Mrs Jerden, Mrs Allen and Mrs Matthews.



# THE GOING VIRAL SPIRAL



No way she posted that  
1 hour ago



Who would let that pic be online  
1 hour ago



Attention seeker!  
1 hour ago



More please!  
1 day ago



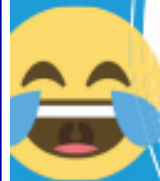
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How embarrassing  
30 minutes ago



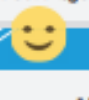
Like it!  
2 hours ago



Ha ha. Thanks for sharing  
6 hours ago



I think I know that girl  
6 hours ago



Wonder if she knows how many people have seen it?  
7 minutes ago



Everyone knows THAT girl!  
Just now



**SHARE WITH RESPECT**

On social media think about...

- ...what you share,
- ...who you share it with,
- ...who might see it in the future,
- ...how it makes you and others feel,
- ...what impression it gives.