



Grange Lane Infant Academy Newsletter November 2022

Please find our November newsletter with school news and some dates for your diaries. Can you believe that we are over halfway through the first term!

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Free Press Reception 2022



Doncaster Free Press often run a special edition within their paper featuring children who have just started full time school this September. These are the photos we submitted just in case you don't buy or see the paper online.



Worry Wizard



We thank Ceri for joining us to help the children learn how it's normal to have worries, even when you are very young. Ceri helped us to understand people's emotions and that situations can worry people differently and this is okay too. She also helped us with her wizardry magic to get of any worries that we had and know how we can make them go away should we have any more.

PE kits - weekend wash / weekday wear



We are so pleased with the response from both the children and parents / carers with regards to the free PE kit. The children do look very proud wearing them and they look like part of a sporting team!

We know that getting clothes washed and dried over the weekend is difficult with the time of year but also when we are all trying to not use as much electricity, but we have noticed that some children do not have their PE kit all week. If you take the kit home for a weekend wash, please ensure it is returned for wear during the weekdays. Thank you for your support.

School Dinners





If your child attends reception, year 1 or year 2 then school dinners are free under the Governments universal infant free school meal scheme. Our dinners are 2 courses with the option of adding a bit extra from the salad bar.

We are now heading into the colder weather, so a warm lunch is something we all often enjoy. If you currently send your child with a packed lunch but would like for them to try a free school meal, then please mention to your child's teacher. If your child is food sensitive, has allergies, or would just need that little extra support please let us know as we would be happy to help.

We Remember Them

Thank you to everyone who sent money in or called by the office to purchase something from the Remembrance box for this year's poppy appeal. The children also learned in class what poppy day helps us to remember and be thankful for especially during a time when not all countries are at peace.

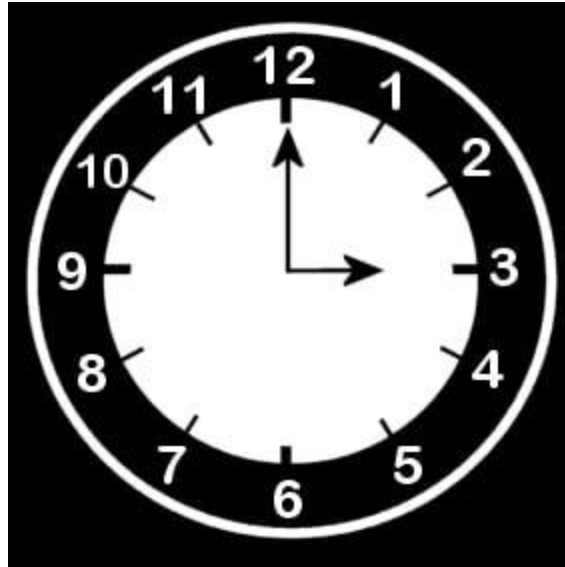
No Dogs on School Grounds & No Access to Staff Car Park



The school is no dog zone, so we request that dogs are not brought on to school grounds, even if carried. We have families / children that are frightened of dogs and faeces on the grounds that requires cleaning up.

Please can parents/carers refrain from using the staff car park too. There is a path along the front grass to Little Grangers if you need to go there and parking is already overcrowded for staff and visitors, so please do not add to the problem by parking in the grounds.

Home time



Just a few reminders about home time

- Please can you ensure that children are collected on time whether it be normal school time at 3pm (11:30 for morning Grangers or Nursery) or from an extra-curricular club. We understand however that exceptional circumstances occur but consideration for staff's own circumstances would be appreciated.
- If you know you have an appointment that might impact collection, please consider the use of the childcare provision as detailed above.
- All children (unless we have written permission) should be collected by parent/carer or a person with parent approval who is 16 years or older.
- Teachers can share some quick pieces of information about the day but if you need to talk in length, please arrange to make an appointment or arrange a telephone call.
- Please check your child's bag for any new reading books, read write inc homework or letters/leaflets etc.

Children in Need - Friday 18th November



Spots is the theme of this year's children in need charitable fundraiser. We invite children to come in non-uniform with a spot theme if you can on Friday 18th November. If you can bring a small donation for this great cause that would be appreciated.

Mrs Shaw has also been working Greggs and has buns available for a small donation too.

Diary Dates



- Friday 18th November - Children in Need - Non-Uniform Spotacular theme. A small donation to the charity but we shall also have buns available donated by Greggs for which we are asking for a small donation for too.
- Monday 5th December 9am KS1 (Yr1 &2) Christmas Concert - Parents/carers invited but it will be a free ticket event. Letter to follow.
- Monday 5th December 2.30pm Reception Christmas Concert - Parents/carers invited but it will be a free ticket event. Letter to follow.
- Wednesday 7th December 10:30am - Reception Christmas Concert - Parents / Carers invited but it will be a free ticket event. Letter to follow.
- **Wednesday 7th December - There is 4pm or 5pm afterschool club due to staff training.**
- Thursday 8th December 10:15am KS1 (Yr1 & 2) Christmas Concert - Parents/carers invited but it will be a free ticket event. Letter to follow.
- Week commencing 12th December - Panto Week! We have a showing of Jack and the Beanstalk - classes will view at a time convenient to them during the week.
- Tuesday 13th December - Christmas lunch day and entertainment from Mr Dan
- Wednesday 14th December - Nursery and Grangers Christmas parties - children can come wearing their party clothes, Christmas jumpers, non-uniform.
- Thursday 15th December - Reception, Year 1 & Year Christmas Parties - children can come wearing their party clothes, Christmas jumpers, non-uniform.
- Friday 16th December - Afterschool provision will only be running until 4pm, there will be no 5pm wrap around care on this day.

Academic Calendar 2022-2023



Staff training days are:

Monday 5th September 2022

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

Monday 24th July 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Contact us

If you need to contact us, you can do this via the details below or for your child's teacher through your child's class do-jo or tapestry account. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or you need help with a situation.

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