

**Foundation News Issue 4**

Welcome to Grange Primary School

Every term we will send out our foundation news and updates and a brief outline of our learning for the term. If you have any questions about this or anything else, please come and see us after school where we can (hopefully) answer all your questions.

**What does our week look like?** (Subject to change)

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|  | Morning |  | Afternoon |
| Monday | Phonics | Literacy Numeracy | Topic |
| Tuesday | Phonics | Numeracy Library | Topic |
| Wednesday | Phonics | Literacy Numeracy | Handwriting |
| Thursday | Phonics | Numeracy Literacy | PE/PSHE |
| Friday | R.E/Music | Workshops | Golden Time |



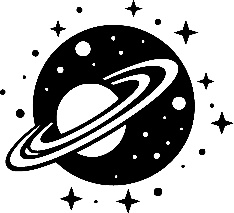
**Keeping In Touch**

* Can we also ask that if your child has a letter for the class teacher that it is handed directly to them rather than being left in bags. This ensures that we have the information promptly and that information is not missing.
* Remember that we share key learning events and your child’s proud celebration moments, through Tapestry.

**Polite Reminder**

* Can children please bring their reading book, reading diary and library book every day to ensure that an adult can read with your child at least once a week.
* Please can all children bring a water bottle to school especially as the weather will be getting warmer.
* As we are approaching summer, please can all children have a named sun hat kept in their bag.
* We ask that toys do not come into school, as we have enough resources for children to play and learn with and are not required.
* Library day is on a Tuesday, please make sure children bring their book to school to be swapped on this day.
* If you arrive at school after 8:45 it is school protocol to make your way to the main school office.

**Space Day**

We are really looking forward to kicking of the term with a celebration day all about space. We will be exploring the children’s current knowledge of this topic and letting it guide where our learning will take us.

**Celebrations and Rewards**

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Description automatically generated with low confidence**The children are making fantastic progress on their reward journey with many already achieving their bronze award and some almost earning their first silvers. The children can collect bronze star stickers from the adults around school, these are given when it is felt that a child has achieved their personal best, when they have tried their hardest and continued to challenge themselves. When your child does achieve a gold, they will receive a special certificate during a reward assembly with Mrs Buxton.

**Thank you for your continued support**

**Mrs Camm Miss Neale**

**Mrs Johnson Mrs Birks**

**Our Learning Focuses For This Term**

Communication and Language

We are working on using new vocabulary to explain why things might happen based on what we’ve heard or seen. We are also looking at making comments about what we’ve heard and asking questions to clarify- especially why and how.

Understanding The World

We will be learning about space. We will be focussing on transport, the first man on the moon and learning the name and order of the planets in our solar system. We will be looking at maps of our local area and comparing similarities and differences of Long Eaton in the past to the present.

Expressive Art and Design

This half term we are looking at creating and drawing accurate features when observational drawing. We are also continuing to work on our singing and present a range of well-known familiar songs.

Important dates

Space Day - Tuesday 22nd April

White Post Farm Trip – Tuesday 29rd April

Early May Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May

Last Day of term – Friday 23rd May

Physical Development

In PE we are working ball skills. We will be looking at a range of ways to throw a ball such as a chest, over arm and underarm. We are also continuing our learning with catching, rolling and bouncing.

Literacy

We are going to continue learning our sounds and some red tricky high frequency words. We are also continuing practicing our writing and letter formation with single sounds and CVC words. We will be moving on to reading 4 letter blends and further introducing diagraphs and trigraphs in words.

Mathematics

In maths we will continue building numbers to 10. We will be focussing on addition and subtraction within 10 and learning how to write a number sentence. We will be manipulating 2D and 3D shapes. We are also going to be sharing and grouping amounts.

Personal Social Emotional

This half term we are looking at being considerate of our own emotions and those of others. We will be working on ways that we can resolve conflicts independently. We will also be looking at gaining more independence throughout all aspects of school life.

*I Wonder:*

What do you think is up in space?

Book focus-

Whatever Next

Aliens Love Underpants