



Welcome to Ash class

Information for year 3 parents: September 2023



Staff



Support staff: Maria

Year group Achievement Leader: Rebecca



Attendance and Punctuality

- Children achieve most when they are in school on time every day. We have a
 whole school target of 97% attendance. A positive and prompt start to the day is
 important for the whole class in order to feel confident, settled and to achieve
 their best
- Our day starts with a meet and greet with the adult welcoming the children into the classroom, late children miss this opportunity and the adult misses the opportunity to touch in with each of the children
- Doors open from 8:45am and children should be in class very soon thereafter
- Children arriving **after 08:55** will be marked late on the register
- If your child is ill or absent due to a dental or medical appointment, please notify the school via ParentMail. Wherever possible please book appointments outside school hours
- Parents must warn the office in advance of early collections
- Percentages for attendance and punctuality across the school are featured in our family assemblies and the school Newsroundup





End of the day

The day ends at 3:25pm for all the children in Reception - year 6:

- Please collect your child from Ash classroom unless your child has been given permission to walk up to the reception playground.
- If you would like to give your child permission to do this please contact the school office.
- Grange Park has many enrichment opportunities throughout the school year.
 Information on these gets sent out via parentmail.
- Wrap around care offered, Extend, information on the Website

After school enrichment clubs finish at 4:30pm, and the Extend After school club finishes at 5:50pm.





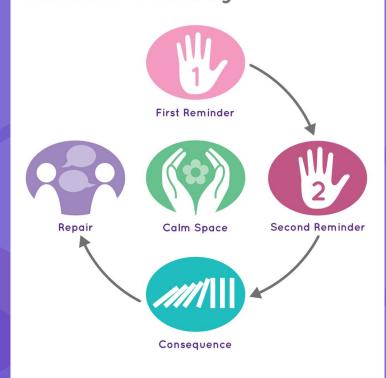
Behaviour for learning

- We have high expectations of children's behaviour in the classroom, when moving around the school and at play and lunchtimes.
- We recognise and celebrate positive behaviours wherever they are seen, using them as a model to inspire and share with others.
- We expect children to follow 'The Grange Park Way' at all times and take responsibility for themselves, others and the environment.
- We have 3 step routines for all transitions and key points in the day to ensure the children understand our expectations and know how to follow them.
- Routines provide a sense of stability and predictability



The Grange Park Way Behaviour Pathway





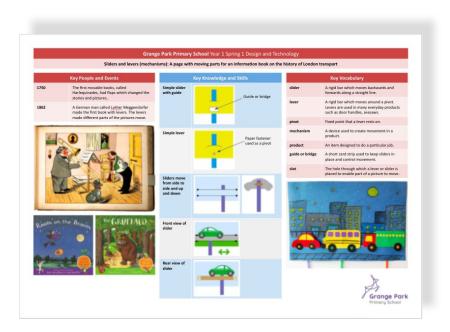
- If children are displaying unwanted behaviours (whether they are instigators or retaliators) we will support them to make positive choices using the Grange Park Behaviour Pathway. If they are unable to meet our expectations there are consistent and fair consequences followed by repair using a restorative approach.
- We expect the children to take ownership of these unwanted behaviours and therefore accept the school's consequences. We expect children to trust that all children involved have been treated consistently and fairly.
- Your support is invaluable in ensuring that children know and understand what is expected of them when in school, and that they accept their role in poor choices that have been made. We also will not necessarily feel that our choices need to be explained in detail as they are consistent and fair according to our behaviour for learning guidelines (found on the school website).
- We will also not discuss other children with yourselves as this does not safequard those children.

We acknowledge positive behaviour by...

Recognition	 Positive notes - Proud Post slip 'Special Mention' in weekly celebration assembly followed by proud post slip Class recognition board Character/Values stickers 'Gotcha' tokens Headteacher/Deputy Headteacher awards
Messages home	Phone callsEmails
Always Star badge	For those children who 'go above and beyond'

Our learning connections

As teachers we understand that learning is most successful when the children have had the
opportunity to make connections with learning they have done in the past and will be doing
in the future. Learning also should be organised and meaningful.





Our topics for this year

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1 and 2	
Year 3	Natural Disasters: Rivers,	Hunter Gatherers: Life in	Magnificent Metals:	Keeping it Local: Drawing	Ancient 4 Civilisations	Tomb Raiders: And
History/	volcanoes, tsunamis and	the Stone Age and how	Bronze Age and Iron Age.	and learning about maps	Looking at commonalities	Egyptian life, belie
Geography	earthquakes	the discovery of flint led	Learn about how these	of the local area	 building along a river 	culture – in depth
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Year 3	Paint: Compositions of	Draw: Compositions	Textiles: Design and	Food: Design, make and	Shell structures: Design an	d make a keepsake l
Art/D&T	natural disasters inspired	inspired by cave art using	make a bag for a Stone	evaluate a pizza. Know	the style of Egyptian funera	
	by Stephanie Peters	a variety of drawing	Age hunter gatherer	how to use appropriate		
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The curriculum

We ensure our pupils experience a broad and balanced curriculum and have a long-term memory of an ambitious body of knowledge.

Our coherently planned curriculum uses the National Curriculum as the basis for subject content and expectations. It is planned and sequenced, so that new knowledge and skills build on what has been taught before, towards clearly defined **end points.** It informs what pupils need to know and be able to do to reach those points.

These endpoints can be found on our website in the curriculum tab.

English - Grange Park Primary School

<u>Mathematics - Grange Park Primary School</u>

Reading

By the end of the Y3 children need to be able to:

- Use a full range of strategies to read fluently
- Read common prefixes and suffixes
- Start to discuss their understanding and explain the meaning of words in context.
- Use different strategies as well as background knowledge to explain meaning of words in a text
- Draw inference from across a paragraph referring to simple settings and characters
- Use events that has happened in the text to make an accurate prediction from a short passage.
- Discuss authorial choices and how words/phrases are used to create impact.
- Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning.
- Ask and respond to questions using evidence from a text.
- Retrieve and record information from fiction
- Locate information in non-fiction texts using a range of features; indexes, glossaries, contents pages, headings, tables, charts and diagrams.
- Skim and scan to locate key information, which may include highlighting and annotating a text.
- Identify the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising using a short passage

Writing

By the end of the Y3 children need to be able to:

- Demonstrate an increasing understanding of purpose and audience.
- Begin to use paragraphs to organise ideas.
- In narratives, create settings, characters and plot.
- Begin to punctuate direct speech with inverted commas
- Use simple devices to structure the writing and support the reader e.g. headings and sub-headings.
- Use a varied and rich vocabulary.
- Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to show time, place and cause.
- Maintain the correct tense throughout.
- Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements
- Proof read to check for errors and make improvements
- Use the range of punctuation taught in Year 2 and 3 mostly correctly
- Use of present perfect form of verbs.
- Spell some common exception words and some words from the Year 3 & 4 spelling list.
- Use 'a' and 'an' correctly
- Use further prefixes and suffixes e.g super-, anti-, auto-, dis-, mis-, -ly
- Correctly form letters and space words to produce neat legible handwriting with some joining.

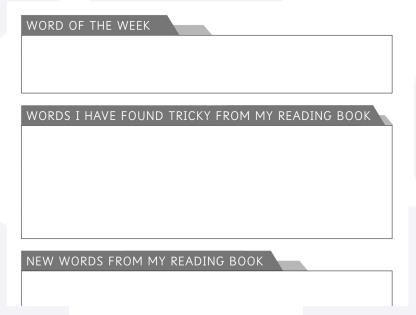
Maths

By the end of the Y3 children need to be able to:

- Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100; find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number.
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones).
- Compare and order numbers up to 1000.
- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.
- Read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words.
- Add and subtract numbers mentally, including: a three-digit number and ones, tens and hundreds.
- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of columnar methods
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, using knowledge of number facts and place value.
- Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables (recognise multiples)
- Recognise, find and write fractions of a discrete set of objects: unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators
- Measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths (m/cm/mm); mass (kg/g); volume/capacity (l/ml)
- Tell and write the time from an analogue clock, including using Roman numerals from I to XII, and 12-hour and 24-hour clocks

- Home School Diaries are used in KS2. These contain support materials for maths, RWI, spelling lists, handwriting, recommended reads and question stems to support reading at home
- They also contain all digital logins for the children
- These books need to be in school each day
- This is where parents should record their child's daily reading, note new and tricky words they have read, and where you will find our school word of the week to practise and use in everyday conversation.

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READING LOG		
Book and Date	Comments	Sign



- Children will be sent home with a banded book and one reading for pleasure book
- On Thursdays the class will visit the Reading Hub. Children need to bring their library books back every week in order to change it in the library.
- Children can send in a birthday book to help us to celebrate their special days. We have labels to put inside
 the book naming the child who donated it. Please speak to us if you want some ideas about which books
 to buy
- For additional information on reading at Grange Park, along with further recommended reads, please visit our <u>website</u>

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- These diaries need to be in school each day. Children are expected to change their reading book as and when they have finished reading their book. Children complete this independently.
- These books double up as Magpie Books, providing the children with space to note down interesting phrases spotted in their reading

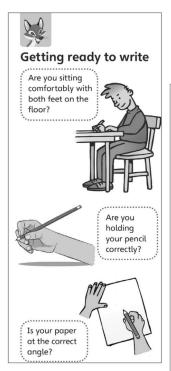
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- At Grange Park we take handwriting and presentation very seriously.
- We use the Nelson Handwriting scheme and you can find some guidance for this in the children's Home School Diary.



Handwriting Checklist

- ? Are you forming your letters correctly?
- Are any letters too tall or too short?
- ? Are any descenders too long or too curly?
- ? Is there a space between your letters?
- Is there a space between your words?
- ? Are you making the four joins correctly?
 - Diagonal joins to letters without ascenders
 - ai, ar, un
 - Diagonal joins to letters with ascenders
 - ab, ul, it
 - Horizontal joins to letters without ascenders
 - ou, vi, wi
 - Horizontal joins to letters with ascenders





Special events, trips, residentials and visitors

- In year 3 children will be visiting woodcroft wildspace, a Hindu temple, Petrie Museum, and will also have a sleepover.
- Our class assembly in the Round Hall: Friday 20th
- Year 3 will have a recorder concert in the Spring term.
- Remember to look at the News Roundup for dates of all forthcoming events

Parents, please be reminded that while our trips do ask for voluntary contributions, please do contribute as much as you can as trips, workshops and visitors will have to be cancelled if we don't get enough contributions

IT at Grange Park

- In order to succeed in this ever-changing landscape, Connect Education Trust believes that its pupils are going to have to learn new skills later in their life. Roll out of 1:1 Chromebooks in 2020
- IT skills are taught in computing and then used across the curriculum to enhance learning.
 The children use many Apps at school. Some are facilitated by the teacher for example G
 Suite (Slides, Docs, Sheets, Jamboard, Earth, Drawings and Classroom), Google Expeditions,
 Nearpod, Flipgrid, ScreenCastify, ThingLink and Adobe Spark, and the children have logins
 for others:

Apps used by the children (with logins)		
Y1 - Y6	Spelling Shed	
Y1 - Y6	Google Classroom	
Y2 - Y6	TTRS	
Y6	SATs companion	
Y4 & Y5	Mirodo	
Y1	Numbots	

Weekly spelling tests are completed on the Spelling Shed App

Chromebooks

- Must be brought to school daily, fully charged
- Ensure it is treated with care
- Ensure use is monitored at home the chromebooks are for educational purposes only, and to be used by your child only

At school we teach online safety discreetly and through parts of the curriculum, we monitor use and ensure that the equipment is for the sole use of your child. Children are given adequate time off the chromebooks.

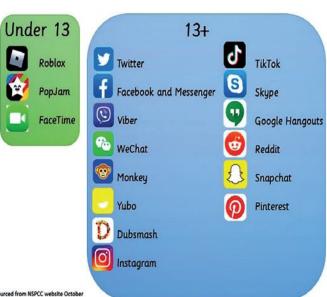


IT safety

Parents, please ensure you are also monitoring your child's IT use on their other personal devices.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?









Forest School at Grange Park

Chloe Goldsmith and Timothy Brooker are qualified Forest School leaders, and they plan for and deliver our Forest School program. They work closely with our teachers who also, at times, deliver the forest school curriculum.

Each year group (Nursery - Y6) has been timetabled over the course of the year. You will be provided with more information prior to your child taking part in Forest School.



Forest School at Grange Park

The impact this program has on the children that have already had the experience is significant:

- Our Forest School program is multi-sensory and has supported the improvement of concentration and the motivation to learn.
- Our program has also supported our children to gain more independence and self-confidence.
- Our program has supported their skills to work together and collaborate in group tasks
- It also reduces anxiety and builds resilience
- We have noted the improvement in the children's communication skills.
- Our program also has a significant impact on children with any additional needs.

Home Learning

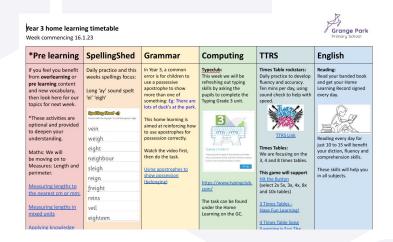
- Home Learning expectations are also set out very clearly for parents on the website: <u>Home learning guidance</u>
- A home learning timetable is uploaded to the children's Google classroom every week to ensure they are able to navigate with ease



Home Learning Guidance: Year 3

- All home learning is set on a Friday and due back the following Friday morning (at the latest)
- Home learning is set out on a weekly timetable that includes useful links in order for children and adults to access it easily. These timetables also include
 additional subscriptions and optional home learning.
- . When home learning is submitted on the Google Classroom there will be an acknowledgement by the teacher.

	Reading	Writing	Maths	Humanities	Additional
Year 3	1 Banded book and 1 reading for pleasure book sent home with the children. Record	SPAG 15min fortnightly set on the Google Classroom.	Maths pre learning fortnightly set on the Google Classroom.	Humanities project set on the Google Classroom.	Weekly knowledge organiser shared with the children and adults.
	signed daily Monday-Friday.	Word of the week (2 words sent home to be used and practised).	Fortnightly maths set and submitted on the Google classroom.		Computing: 3 weekly cycle : Howdou, touch typing, esafety.
		Spelling shed spelling set and practised daily.	Times Table Rock Stars daily practise		Throughout the year Growth Mindset and Acts of Kindness home learning can be set.



Resources

Children from Year 1 - Year 6 have been asked to bring their own pencil case and stationary to school. This enables children to take care and have a sense of responsibility for their belongings.

- 1 x Clear pencil case (20cm X 12cm) e.g.<u>Clear Pencil Case</u>
- 1 x A glue stick e.g .<u>Pritt Glue Stick Amazon link</u>
- 3 X HB pencils (Staedtler Noris/Yellow and Black HB) e.g. HB Pencils
- 1 x Purple pen (ball point) <u>Purple Pens</u>
- 3 x Whiteboard pens Whiteboard Pens.
- 1 x Black handwriting pen (Y4-Y6 only) <u>Handwriting Pens</u>
- 1 x Sharpener <u>Pencil Sharpener</u>
- 1 x Rubber <u>Rubber</u>
- 6x Colouring Pencils <u>colouring pencils</u>
- Box of tissues for the classroom <u>Tissues</u>



School uniform - on the website: Grange Park Primary School Uniform

It is very important that ALL children come in the correct school uniform and footwear, including PE kits, pare will be notified if the children are not in correct uniform.

Girls

- Purple sweatshirt/cardigan (with logo)
- White or grey polo shirt (with logo)
- Grey pinafore/skirt/trousers (no leggings please)
- Purple and white gingham summer dress
- Grey summer shorts
- Black shoes (strong and flat heeled) or plain black trainers (no logos or colour on trainers)
- White socks
- · Grey/black tights

Boys

- Purple sweatshirt (with logo)
- White or grey polo shirt (with logo)
- Grey trousers
- Grey summer shorts
- Black shoes (strong and flat heeled) or Plain black trainers (no logos or colour on trainers)
- Grey/black socks

Note: We are phasing in the grey polo shirts and purple PE T- shirts. Your child can continue to wear their white ones.

Please ensure that all items of uniform, PE kit and other belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name.

For health and safety reasons no jewellery should be worn with the exception of religious items, stud earrings and watches. Make-up and nail polish are not permitted.



School uniform - on the website: Grange Park Primary School Uniform

PE Kit

- Black shorts
- White OR purple PE T-shirt (with logo)
- Black plimsolls or plain black trainers (not studded please and separate to the shoes worn during the day)
- Grey winter sweatshirt (with logo)
- Grey winter joggers (with logo)
- Leggings and other colour joggers/sweatshirts are not permitted
- Light mac in sac (with logo)

Our PE days are: INSERT your days here

Children should wear their branded PE kit on the days they have PE.

Children must remove all earrings and watches before PE and games lessons.



School uniform - on the website: Grange Park Primary School Uniform

Additional items to purchase if your child would like to have them

Other

- Purple fleece and/or reversible coat (with logo)
- Purple woolly hat and baseball cap (with logo)
- Purple/white/black/grey hair ribbons/bobbles/hairbands and hijabs
- Wellingtons/boots in wet or snowy weather (to be removed when children enter the school building)
- Purple PE bag (with logo)
- Purple book bag (with logo)
- Purple rucksack small and large available (with logo)

Communication

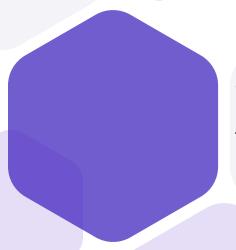
If you need to communicate something that is **not urgent**:

- Write a note in the Home School Reading Book and ask your child to give it straight to the teacher
- Leave a message with the school office to be passed on, telephone or send an email to office@grangeparkprimaryelt.org
- Speak to us informally after school once the class has been safely dismissed

For urgent matters, please telephone or email the school office to make an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

There are many staff members you can speak to:

- Teacher/support staff
- Achievement leader: more serious concerns that cannot be resolved by speaking to the teacher
- 3) Assistant Headteacher: concerns that cannot be resolved through the teacher or achievement leader



Communication

We also communicate with parents through parent workshops. Look out for these in the Autumn 1 term:

Date	Workshop			
Wednesday 13 September - 9:15am	English conversation classes start - Round Hall			
Thursday 14 September - 5pm	Secondary transfer Meeting - Round Hall			
Friday 22 September - 3:25pm	Secondary transfer application support - Round Hall			
Friday 29 September - 3:25pm	Home learning surgery - Round Hall			
Monday 2 October - 5pm	The Grange Park Way (Behaviour for Learning Guidelines) - Round Hall			



GPPSA

- Our Parents Association, the GPPSA brings the school community together to raise funds for various school projects - currently we are saving to build a small farm as part of our outdoor education experiences
- There will be a GPPSA meeting in the Round Hall (date to be confirmed) - All welcome!
- New faces and fresh ideas are always well received and everyone is given a warm welcome
- Meetings are held approximately 2 a half term just before pick up on a Friday at school
- Who are the parent reps for this class?

