



GRANGE ACADEMY BULLETIN

26th November 2018

S1 Scottish Cup



Grange Academy won 6-4 against St Andrew's and St Bride's High School last week.

It was a particularly impressive game with displays of wonderful football and fair play.

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Primary 7 Transition



Primary 7 pupils from each of our primary schools took part in our Maths transition day last week.

Pictured here is the winning team.

S1 Flash Fiction

Jungle Popping

'Agh, Agh' I heard a man screaming for his life. So, I grabbed onto a long, wet, green vine to see what had happened. I swung down to see what had happened – nothing, except from him popping out his fingers. He said it sounded like the popcorn popping and apologised for worrying me. I said, "I was in the jungle swinging from vine to vine, and then herd you screaming for day light!"



"Well, now that you're here..."

Shaun Wilson is 12 years old.
He likes to play football and
play the bagpipes. He plays
for Crosshouse football club.
He likes playing Fortnite and
other games on his Xbox.

THAT NIGHT

I could hear the rubbish getting crushed, but I knew the sound, I have heard it so many times but this time it was different. I ran into the room and saw something blue. It looked like a very small person. I couldn't really make it out properly but his body was as blue as a blueberry shining on a summer's day.

Suddenly the ground started shaking. It was as loud as two planets colliding, I felt as if my ears were going to explode with the sound of the old rusty metal crushing and the roof falling apart.

I was petrified but I wanted to find out what the blue object was, was it an Alien or was it a Human?

Dominic Brady is an S1 pupil who loves football and reading

Mr Kelso's S1 pupils have been trying their hand at flash fiction. Some superb descriptive writing has been created, loaded with atmosphere and texture.

We have submitted them to the Scottish Book Trust.

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Grange Young Musician



Well done to everyone who took part in the Grange Young Musician Competition.

Special congratulations to Hannah Martin who won the vocal category and to Charlie Boax who won the instrumentalist category and was chosen as the overall Young Musician winner.

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Kilmarnock and District Rotary Club



Congratulations to Hannah and Charlie for their fantastic performances in the Kilmarnock and District Rotary Club Young Musician Competition.

Charlie won the Young Instrumentalist and overall Young Musician Award! She will now go forward to the West of Scotland competition which will be held at the Conservatoire in Glasgow in March.

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Litter



This is just one section of the litter left in The Street after morning interval on Thursday.






Each individual piece represents a pupil who made a selfish and a dirty choice. This needs to stop. It makes no sense. There are plenty of bins.

Bad habits and laziness can change.

Change it please.

#responsibility

What Does Percentage Attendance Mean?

100% - 98%	97% to 95%	94% - 90%	89% - 85%	Less than 85%
				
What we expect attendance to be!	We are concerned that you may underperform	There is a significant risk of underperforming	There is a serious risk of underperforming	This will impact on your progress

What Does Percentage Attendance Mean?

Attendance Percentage	Days Attended Each Year	Number of Days Absent Over the Whole Year	Weeks Off (approx.)	Or Put Another way
100	190	0	0	You haven't missed a thing
95	180.5	9.5	2	1 day every 4 weeks
90	171	19	4	1 day every 2 weeks
85	161.5	28.5	6	3 days every 4 weeks
80	152	38	7.5	1 day per week
75	142.5	47.5	9.5	$\frac{1}{4}$ of the teaching in 1 year
70	133	57	11.5	3 days of every 2 weeks
65	123.5	66.5	13.5	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ days off per week
60	114	76	15	2 days off per week

What Does Being Late Add Up To?

Number of minutes late	Number Of days per week	If this becomes a weekly pattern, across a full year...		
		You are missing...	You are missing... <i>(approximately)</i>	Or put another way, you are missing... <i>(approximately)</i>
10	1	390 minutes	8 periods of learning	A full day of learning
5	3	585 minutes	12 periods of learning	Almost 2 days of learning
15	2	1170 minutes	24 periods of learning	Over 3 days of learning
20	2	1560 minutes	31 periods of learning	Almost 1 full week of learning
10	5	1950 minutes	39 periods of learning	Almost 6 days of learning
15	5	2925 minutes	59 periods of learning by arriving at 09.00 instead of 08.45	Almost 2 weeks of learning

Every minute of learning counts.
Do not let late coming become a regular pattern!

Yearbook 2019 – Pupil Questionnaire

- Remember to post this into the box outside the Science Staff Base by Wednesday 28th November.
- A confessions box is in Mrs Hill's room ready for S6 pupils to fill with your anonymous confessions for the yearbook.

Yearbook Questionnaire – Class of 2019

Pick 12 Questions from the list below and write your answers on the back of this sheet of paper. Some questions may need a one word answer and some may need a small story, it's up to you. We will select which of your answers will go into your profile beside the photo that was taken last week.

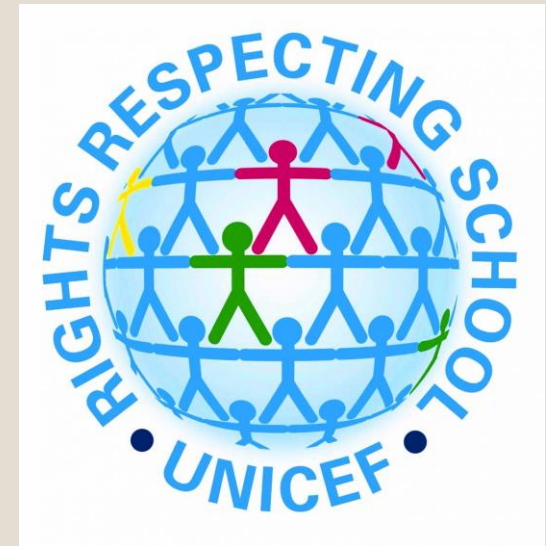
Put your finished questionnaire into the post box outside the Science Staff Base by Wednesday 28th November. You NEED to complete this for your profile even if you don't want to buy a yearbook.

1. What is your nickname?
2. What is your dream job?
3. Who was your first crush?
4. Who is your favourite teacher?
5. What 3 words would you use to describe yourself?
6. Where do you plan to travel to after you leave school?
7. What is your favourite song from your time at school?
8. What will you miss the most about school?
9. What is your favourite memory of your time at school?
10. What is your favourite movie/TV show/Video game/Book from your time at school?
11. What message will you give your future self?
12. Best piece of wisdom you have learned from school?
13. Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
14. What is your favourite quote? (Teacher quote/ Movie quote)
15. Name one thing you wish you knew in S1 (message to your past self)
16. What is your most unpopular opinion?
17. In what ways have you changed since S1?
18. What movie most closely resembles your secondary school experience (be honest!)

Bully Box

There is now a Bully Box located in the library. Any pupil who is being bullied, or witnesses someone else being bullied can post a note in the Bully Box which will then be passed on to the guidance department.

All reports will be taken seriously and treated confidentially. Together, let's make Grange Academy a bully-free zone!



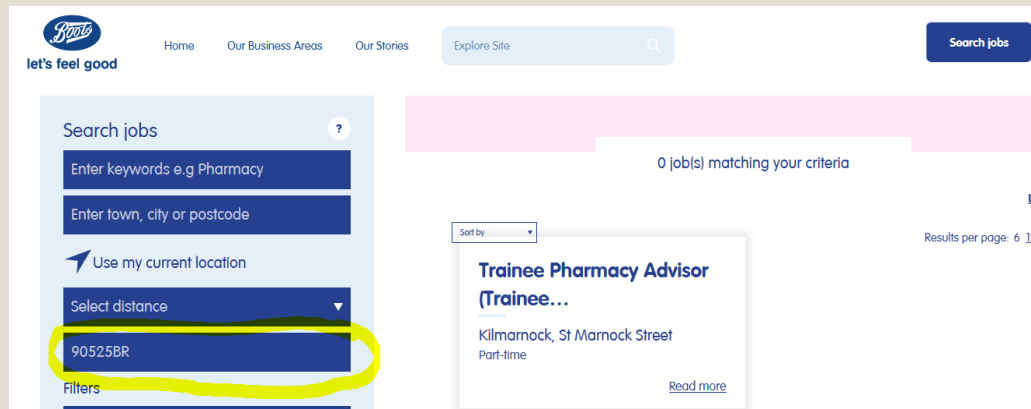
House Points

House points continue to rise across all 4 house groups. Hamilton smashed the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust Senior Maths Challenge accumulating a total of 17 points but let themselves down with the second highest number of lates. Douglas house had the fewest number of lates across the houses and are awarded 15 points for their punctuality, Bruce have the second fewest lates and are awarded 5 points. Graham continue to lead from the front but the gap is closing!

The new totals are as follows:

- 1st Graham – 143
- 2nd Douglas – 136
- 3rd Hamilton – 121
- 4th Bruce - 111

Pharmacy Experience



This job would be ideal for any S6 pupil who is interested in a career in pharmacy/medicine.

Saturday assistant, working 7 hours as a trainee dispenser. The job code is 90525BR and it's advertised on boots.jobs.

PROM 2019

Prom's coming up and it's time to decide who you are sitting with!

You will be asked to complete a form during PSE time on Friday 7th December

A maximum of 10 people per table

RECLAIM THE NIGHT

#16daysAyrshire

JOIN AYRSHIRE COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION
IN A FREE MARCH TO
END VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN

THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER

At Ayrshire College Kilmarnock Campus,
Hill Street, Kilmarnock, KA1 3HY
from 5.30pm

Kindness in Corridors

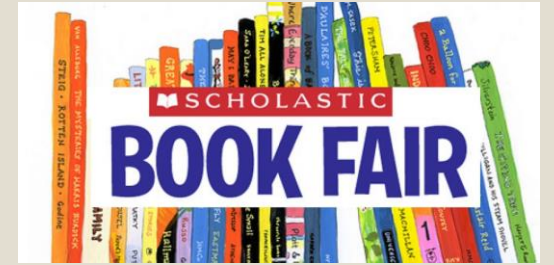
Please take care of each other during the change of periods when the corridors are at their busiest.

There can sometimes be some running and pushing and that is not safe.

#responsibility



S1 and S2 Book Fair



A book fair will be taking place in the library starting on Thursday 29th November and lasting for a week. All S1 and S2 classes will come along to the fair during your timetabled library period in English, where you will be able to browse and buy books from Scholastic.

The library will be open as usual during the second half of lunchtime, and Miss Cooper will also open the library during interval throughout the week of the fair so pupils can come and purchase books then too.

All books are on a special half price deal (with some books only costing £1.49!) so come along and grab a bargain - the more books we sell, the more books Scholastic will donate to our school library so let's make the most of these great offers!



Grange Academy Parent Council

Christmas Craft Fair

ART, GIFTS, CANDLES,
HOMEBAKING, BOTTLE
STALL, SANTA'S GROTTTO,
RAFFLE & MUCH MORE!

**SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 8TH**

11am - 1pm
Tea, Coffee,
Cakes & Hot
food

GRANGE ACADEMY
Beech Avenue, Kilmarnock

PosterMyWall.com



SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN

Saturday December 8th
11.00am to 1.00 pm

GRANGE ACADEMY KILMARNOCK

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A Message from the Parent Council:

The **Christmas Fayre** is aiming to raise money for the school.

This money will fund materials, activities, events and opportunities for wider achievement which all pupils will benefit from.

It would be really appreciated if all members of the school community could play their part in supporting this.

For it to be a success,

YOUR CHRISTMAS FAYRE NEEDS YOU!



A Message from the Parent Council:

We are looking for donations of the following :

- **Chocolate** – Santas, selection boxes, bars, lollies etc
- **Toiletries** – soap, bubble bath, bath bombs, shower gel, perfume, scented candles
- **Bottles** - shampoo, sauce, wine, vinegar, water, beer etc (anything in a bottle!)
Please note any alcohol should be handed in directly to the school office.
- We are also looking for suitable donations for our **BIG Christmas Fayre Raffle**. These could include vouchers from local businesses, signed footballs and shirts, hampers etc. Please ask at home to see if anyone could help out with this.
- Hand in donations to the Modern Languages base or in the case of alcohol to the school office!



A Message from the Parent Council:



Have a good week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.