

Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

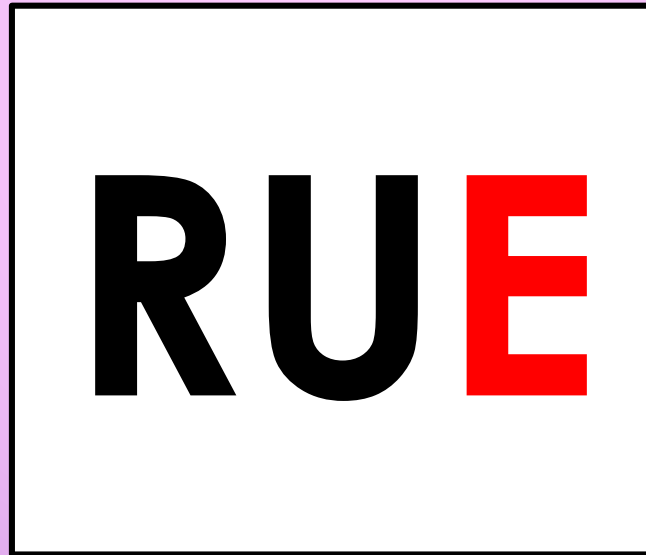
2nd October 2023



Weekly Puzzle

Let's get our brains warmed up with a quick riddle. Can you solve it?

What well-known phrase is represented by the graphic below?



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Lunchtime – Street Area

With the autumn and winter months coming, more pupils will choose to sit inside due to weather conditions.

From today onwards, can **ALL S5/6** pupils please ensure you use the assembly hall during lunch time and **NOT** the street?

We must ensure we keep as many free spaces available in the street for S1-4.

Thank you for your cooperation.

UWS Presentation



A representative from UWS Ayr Campus will be giving a talk:

When: Wednesday 1st November
Time: 13:10pm (lunchtime)
Where: F044 (Music)

The talk will provide information about full time courses that are run by the University, as well as information and advice on applying.

Anyone interested in attending should give their name to Mr Ramsay.

S1 – S4 Girls' Football



Any S1 – S4 pupils in the girls' football team, must please come to the PE Department to see Mrs Linton and confirm if you are going to the next two games...

Tomorrow's game (3rd October) is at Ayrshire College, leaving at 12.30pm.

Wednesday's game (4th October) is at Prestwick Academy, leaving by bus at 2.15pm!

Deadline is Monday 2nd October (TODAY) – you MUST confirm your place!

Thank You!

Inter-House Dodgeball

S1 Pupils



All S1 pupils wishing to take part should come to the PE Games Hall at lunchtime on **Wednesday 4th October**.

Games will begin at 1:30 and you will compete in your house groups.

All house captains and inter-house sport leaders should attend.

Inter-House Dodgeball

S2 Pupils

All S2 pupils wishing to take part should come to the PE Games Hall at lunchtime on **Monday 2nd October (today)**

Games will begin at 1:30 and you will compete in your house groups.

All house captains and inter-house sport leaders should attend.



EuroSpace, Belgium Trip

Thursday 19th Sept - Tuesday 24th Sept 2024

"In school we can teach Science, at EuroSpace we can feel Science"

Thanks to all those who have paid their deposits so far and completed their consent forms.

**The next payment of £150 is due Fri
13th October.**

There are still 10 places available on the trip.

Please speak to Dr Mitchell if you are interested in joining the trip.



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Scottish Cup Victory

Congratulations to the Under 15 Grange Academy team who won **8-0** against Uddingston Grammar in the 1st Round of the Scottish Cup!

Goals were scored by McKenzie Anderson (4) and Jack Lavery (4)

Well done to all the team for such a fantastic result!



SCQF Ambassadors



Grange Academy's SCQF ambassadors have been working hard to create an informative video that will teach the rest of the school and the community about the SCQF.

Thank you to Dr. Ogilvie for his help in editing the video and providing recording equipment!

Keep an eye out for the video coming soon!



S4 Trip – Flip Out, Glasgow

Date: Friday 27th October ('Killie Halloween')
Times: Bus leaves Grange at start of period 1
Bounce at Flip Out 10am – 12 noon
Bus returns to Grange for end of period 5
Cost: £20 per pupil



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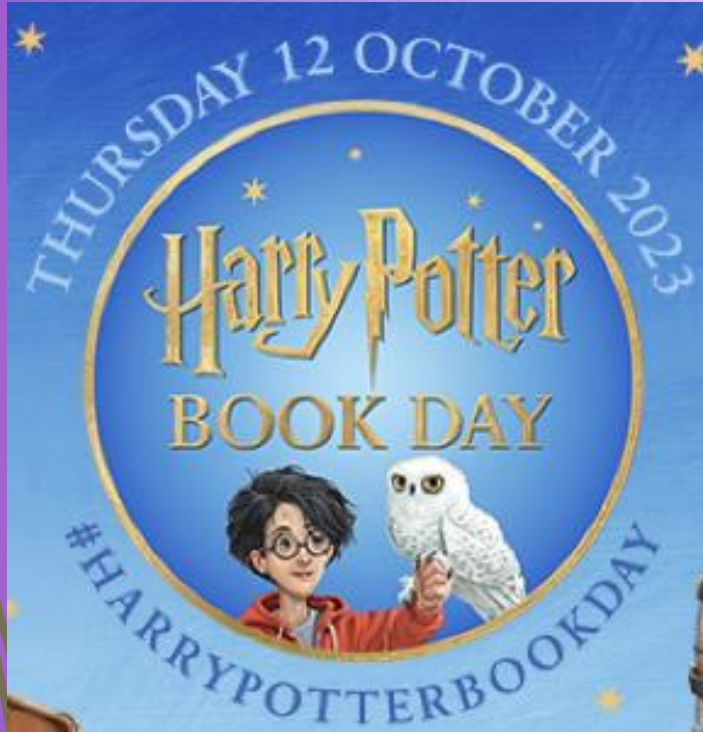
Any S4 pupils wishing to attend a trip to Flip Out in Glasgow must fill in the Microsoft Form above before **Friday 6th October at 12 noon**. Once a final list is created, payment will be taken through ParentPay the following week.

We have a maximum of **120 spaces** so sign up quickly!

As the trip takes place on 'Killie Halloween', pupils will be allowed to dress up for the day in fancy dress or costumes. Otherwise, pupils should wear sports clothing - school uniform is not required.

If any pupil has any difficulties accessing or completing the form above, please see Mr Allan in the PE Department.

Harry Potter Book Day



Thursday 12th October is Harry Potter Book Day, and Miss Cooper will be celebrating with a lunchtime event in the library.

Come along and be Sorted into your Hogwarts house, take part in fun games, and help your team win the most House points.

Come to the library at interval any day this week to sign up.

No muggles allowed!

Thomas Connor – Poppy Scotland Filming

Back in P7, Thomas Connor (now in 1B1) entered Poppy Scotland's writing competition and was shortlisted for the final voting.

After his successful entry to their competition, Thomas was asked to participate in Poppy Scotland's promotional advertisement filming which was filmed in their factory in Edinburgh.

Here are some images of him participating in the filming.

Well done, Thomas!



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Non Uniform Day

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Friday 13th October
Please bring in donations for the Christmas Fayre

Tombola

ROLL UP ROLL UP AND WIN A PRIZE

S1 - S3
Bottles
(sweet, savoury, pampering or alcoholic)
Drop off to the school office

S4 - S6
Chocolate
(boxes, bars, tins etc)
Drop off to the school office

Friday 13th October

S1 – S3: Bring a bottle (any alcohol must be handed into the school office by a parent/adult)

S4 – S6: Bring chocolate

The bottles & chocolate will be collected during P1, and will be used at the Christmas Fayre at the Tombola Stall.

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Fossilfield Training Centre

As part of National Racehorse Awareness Week, Jamie & Amy did an amazing job sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm for racehorses with several classes from Grange when they brought Macho Pride along for a visit.

It was a full day of learning about racehorse facts, careers in racing, training programmes at Fossilfield and there was even a staff v pupil competition to see who could complete the jockey fitness test.

A special thank you to Ben who also popped in to help out to ensure the ponies were happy and comfortable during their visit.

Fossilfield are delighted to be working in partnership with the Grange Academy Inclusion Team to make a positive impact in the lives of young people that need it the most.



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S1 – S3 English Homework

All S1-3 pupils have two main English homework tasks every week.

- **Personal Reading:** You should spend some time each week reading at home, whether you choose novels, non-fiction books, newspapers, magazines or even audiobooks.
- **First News:** You should now have your engage.firstnews.co.uk details and should complete two activities a week.

Speak to your English teacher if you're struggling to find something you'll enjoy reading, or if you can't access First News at home.





This week is Challenge Poverty Week

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PSE



PSE lessons will be themed to link in with Challenge Poverty Week.

This will be your chance to give your ideas to your teacher!

#pupilvoice

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Cost of the School Day Pupil Group



Our Cost of the School Day pupil group are working with staff to reduce the cost of the school day by driving forward our cost of the school day action plan for 2023-24.

Watch this space!

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The background of the left side of the image features a dark purple gradient. In the top-left and bottom-right corners, there are white spider web graphics. The central focus is a dark silhouette of a man and a woman dancing together. The man is on the left, with his arms around the woman on the right. The text is overlaid on this background.

S1 AND S6 HALLOWEEN DISCO!

TUESDAY 24TH OF OCTOBER 7-9PM

MUSIC BY DJ HAZZA

GAMES AND PRIZES

CRISPS AND WATER INCLUDED

NO SWORDS OR CROSSBOWS

TICKETS £3 ON

PARENT PAY

Halloween Disco

Tickets for the S1 and S6
Halloween Disco are now live
on ParentPay.

Get yours soon, and come
along to enjoy a night of music,
games and prizes!



Dresscode.org.uk



Halloween Game Jam

Dresscode are hosting a competition where pupils need to make a Halloween themed game in Scratch.

The only rules are that it needs to include a skeleton, and should be finished before 2nd November.

You can submit your game by speaking to Mr Graham or Mr Reid.

You can work on your project in your own time, or come to the Computing department during lunchtime!



Barista Morning Service is back!



For S4, S5, S6 and Staff

This service runs 8.20 to 8.40am from the **Barista room on the top floor.**

Our Senior Baristas preparing the drinks are:

- Monday - Eva B and Somaya McG
- Wednesday - Cameron McCormick
- Thursday - Somaya McG and Abbie C
- Friday - Eva B and Somayah McG

Menu

- Latte, Cappuccino, Hot Chocolate, Chai Latte, Flat White = £1.50
- Americano, Tea = £1.20
- Syrup +30p

Cash only or Payment Cards for staff

When you see the trolley in the corridor outside the room – takeaway is on!

Basketball Community Club

Basketball Community Club – Upper Primary & S1 - S6

Taking place at Grange Leisure Centre - Outdoors for 5 weeks
and indoors thereafter if class is popular

Starting: **Friday 6th October 2023 (this week!)**

Time: 6 - 7pm

FREE

Register at the link below, or scan the QR code

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Grangebasketball/>

Spaces are limited so please register quickly to avoid
disappointment



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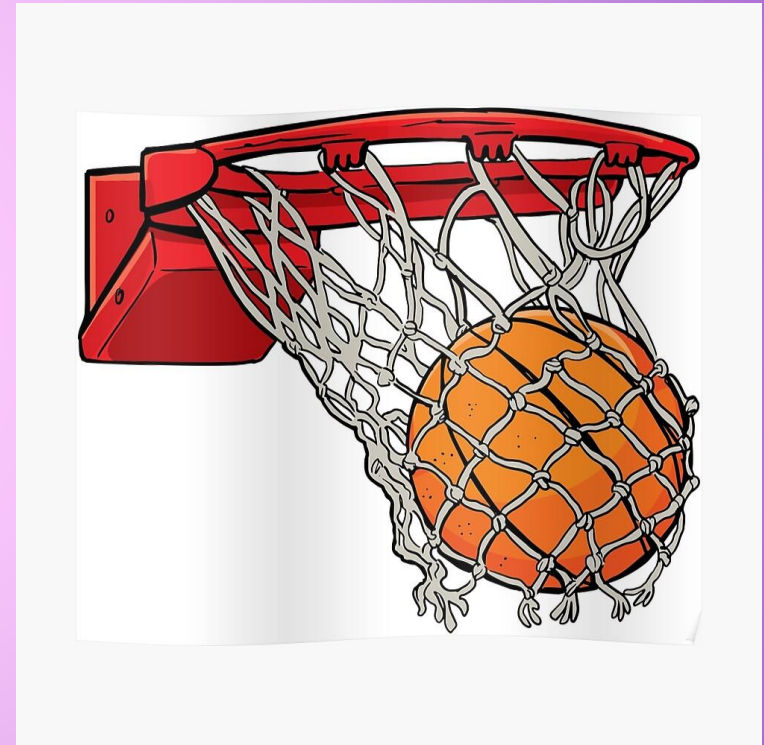
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Basketball Club

A new Basketball Club will be starting on Thursdays after school.

3.40pm – 4.30pm in the main hall.

S1 – S6 pupils welcome!



Carbon Busters

Reminder that the Carbon Busters group is open to any pupil - ALL year groups - in Mr Miller's room (G164 Social Subjects) every **Thursday Lunchtime**.

Bring your lunch and join in.



Grange Academy Young Musician Competitions

Advanced Notice for Instrumentalists and Vocalists

These competitions will take place on Thursday 2nd November.
The level of piece you perform will determine what competition you will take part in.

Junior competitors will perform either at a lunchtime event or after school on
Thursday 2nd November.

Senior performers will participate in an evening competition (19:00).
If you are unsure which competition to enter, speak to your music teacher.
All participants must give their names to Mr Ramsay by completing the MS Form.

The instrumental and vocal winners of the senior event will represent Grange Academy at the Kilmarnock & District round of the Rotary Club Young Musician competition.

The overall winner will represent Grange Academy at the East Ayrshire round of the Music Education Partnership Group competition.



Scan here to
sign up, or
speak to Mr
Ramsay for
more details.

Study Cafe

Study café has started up again in the library on Thursdays after school until 16:35

You can come along with friends and revise or complete homework for any subject. There will be teachers there to support you.

Drinks and snacks will be provided to keep you going!



Science Supported Study

Day	Time	Subject	Level	Room	Teacher
Monday	8.00 – 8.45am	Biology	National 5	S023	Miss Bell
	8.00 – 8.45am	Chemistry	Advanced Higher	S008	Mrs Bremner
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Physics	All levels	S013	Mr McPherson
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Chemistry	Higher	S008	Mrs Bremner
Tuesday	8.00 – 8.45am	Biology	Higher	S023	Miss Bell
	8.00 – 8.45am	Chemistry	National 5	S013	Dr Ogilvie
	1.10 – 1.55pm	Environmental Science	All levels	S021	Dr Mitchell
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Physics	National 5 (focus) & H	S026	Mrs Robinson
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Chemistry	Higher	S013	Dr Ogilvie
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Chemistry	National 5	S027	Mrs Hill
Wednesday	1.10 – 1.55pm	Physics	Higher	S024	Dr Telfer
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Biology	National 5	S010	Mr Johnston
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Chemistry	National 5	S008	Mrs Bremner
	3.35 – 4.30pm	Biology	Higher	S009	Mrs McLean
Thursday	8.00 – 8.45am	Biology	Advanced Higher	S009	Mrs McLean
	3.35 – 4.30pm	STUDY CAFÉ	ALL SUBJECTS	LIBRARY	Mr Johnston
Friday	8.00 – 8.45am	Env Sci and Chem	Homework Drop-In	S013	Dr Ogilvie

Working Independently

Last week, we focused on **ATTENTION**.

This week we will look at **WORKING INDEPENDENTLY**.

Which of these statements do you think suits you best? If you are yellow or red, what steps can you take to move towards green?



I can work on a task on my own.

I get started but sometimes I get distracted and start chatting. With a prompt from the teacher I can easily get back to work.

I need regular, individual prompts from the teacher to keep me on task.

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Why is independence important?

- To achieve qualifications, you need to be able to independently show your own knowledge and skills.
- Employers are looking for people who, once they have been trained, can be trusted to work independently.
- In life, you will want to make your own choices and be as independent as you can.
 - In class, teachers show you what they're looking for, guide and support you in your learning.
 - They will then want to see you practising the learning independently.
 - When you can work independently, it shows you are learning successfully.
 - Regularly doing your homework is a good way to improve your confidence at working independently.

BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from last week?

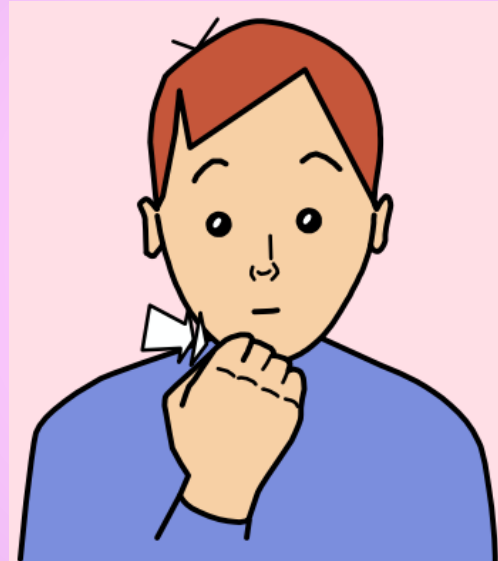


Flu

Mime as if you are blowing your nose with a tissue. Do this twice.

BSL Sign of the Week

Maths



Make a fist and tap your knuckles against
your chin twice

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Weekly puzzle

Did you get it right?

RUE

Are You Ready?

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Have a great week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.

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