

Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

2nd September 2024



School App

If you have not done so already, make sure you download the Safer Schools Scotland app – available for free from the Apple Store or Play Store.

Once you have downloaded the app, use the code below which applies to you:



S1 & S2 – 4749

S3 & S4 - 6971

S5 & S6 – 1075

Parents/Carers - 0632



This is our main platform of communication so download the app ASAP to ensure you don't miss any school updates.



Magic Breakfast



All pupils can have a free breakfast at Grange Academy!

Magic Breakfast is open from 8:15 until the bell.

Come along to the Kiosk for bagels, toast, diluting juice, cereal or porridge.









School Captains

Congratulations to all the pupils below who have achieved the following posts:

School Captains

Alix Hartley	6D2
Calum Stewart	6D2

Vice Captains

Skye McMurtrie	6G1
Robbby Calderwood	6B2

Bruce House Captains

Isabelle Simons	6B1
Kate Rodger	6B1
Karice Crawford	6B1
Jennifer Gavin	6B1
Khulood Sultan	6B2
Lucy Gemmell	6B2

Douglas House Captains

Emily Moir	6D1
Orla McAllister	6D1
Peter Wardle	6D1
Joshua Hutcheson	6D2
Amy Tickner	6D2
Raymond Jeffries	6D2

Graham House Captains

Emma Orr	6G1
Izabela Srebro	6G1
Finn Stirling	6G2
Ryan Lazrek	6G1
Zara Smith	6G2
Fraser Allison	6G1

Hamilton House Captains

Cory Mclean	6H1
Frazer Sands	6H1
Hayley Gemmell	6H1
Abbie Brown	6H1
Emma Simpson	6H2
Christopher Black	6H1

Photos and more details to follow...



Choosing our School Captains

A huge thank you to the 16 staff members/partners, and 8 Junior House Captains who served on our interview panels in June and August.





Captains Meeting

A notice that all senior School and House Captains should attend a meeting with Mrs Brotherston in the library on Tuesday (tomorrow) during P2.

Thank you.



Prefect Applications

Senior Pupil (S5-6) School Leadership Opportunities 2024-25 Vers 2 Prefects



Any S5 or S6 pupils who are interested in applying for the role of Prefect should complete this form. If you have already submitted a form, you do not need to apply again.

The closing date for applications is Friday 13th September.



Gold Duke of Edinburgh

Any S6 pupil involved in Gold DofE must attend a meeting in PE today (Monday 2nd September) at 1.30pm to discuss your Expedition.





S1 School of Football Trials

The dates for this year's S1 School of Football trials are as follows:

Wednesday 11th September - Periods 4 & 5 Friday 13th September - Periods 1 & 2

These are our initial dates. Depending on how the trials go and how numbers are, there may be a third trial at a later date.



Pupils can sign up by scanning this QR code. If you are unable to access the digital form, please collect and return a paper form at the main school office.



Entrepreneurs of the Future

Connected Ayrshire: Digital Connectivity for a Sustainable Future.

In conjunction with the Ayrshire Chamber and Ayrshire Business Week, the College will be hosting an Entrepreneurs Event on **Monday 30 September** in Open Space, Kilmarnock Campus, between **4.00pm** – **6.00pm**.

This free event is designed for young entrepreneurs aged 16-30 who are eager to advance in their business or career. There will be two guest speakers at the event and further details will be announced in due course.

If you are interested in attending this event, please contact Mr. Johnston.



Grange Academy

Aiming for Success in S4
Parent Information Evening

Thursday 12th September 4:30pm to 6:30pm

This event will provide valuable insights into effective study techniques, health and wellbeing strategies, and the subject specific resources available to assist your child in achieving their best results.

A range of subject specialist staff will be on hand to answer any questions and share practical tips on how you can be an active partner in your child's exam preparation. Your involvement can make a significant difference in their success, and we look forward to seeing you there.



Scan here to sign up



LGBT+ Charter Award

Grange Academy has now successfully achieved the Silver award for LGBT Youth Scotland's Charter for Education.

Many thanks to all the staff and pupils who supported by attending training, completing surveys or getting involved in various LGBT+ events over the last 2 years.

We would like to keep up the good work so if anyone would like to get involved in further events and planning, please speak to Mr Alldridge ASAP.

Thank you.



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Mentors in Violence Prevention



All S4 and S5 pupils who are interested in being part if our Mentors in Violence Prevention Programme, should come along to the library on <u>Wednesday 4th September</u> at the start of period 3.

If you want more information before you sign up, come and see Ms Bonnar and Mrs McGeary in the Guidance Base.



Senior Pupil Mock Interviews

Senior pupils will soon be invited to take part in mock interviews.

There will be an assembly in the weeks prior to the mock interviews to explain how they will work in detail.

If you are an S4/5 pupil that is considering leaving at the end of the year or an S6 pupil, please tell your guidance teacher, careers advisor or Mr. Johnston your future plans for when you leave school (even if you are unsure).

<u>Assembly (S4/5 leavers and S6)</u> – Tuesday 24th September (Period 2)

<u>S4/5 leavers</u> – Tuesday 8th October

<u>All S6 pupils</u> – Thursday 10th October



Careers Appointments

A reminder:

Pupils who wish to make an appointment to speak to one of our Careers Advisers can scan the QR code in the Guidance department (at the end of the corridor) or the library.





Wind Band Practice



Wind Band Practice will take place in the assembly hall every Wednesday morning, starting at 8am.

Come along and get in some extra practice time, before the school day begins!

CHINESE LUNCH CLUB

All year groups are welcome! Bring your lunch and have fun!

Chinese Handy craft Wednesday 1:15-1:50

Chinese Paper-folding (origami)

Paper-cutting

Chinese calligraphy

Chinese painting

Chinese music

Culture Experience Thursday 1:15-1:50

Chinese adventure videos

- Taste Chinese Tea
 - Chinese films
 - Chinese books
 - Play Mahjong

CHINESE LUNCH CLUB





Wednesday, Thursday 1:15- 1:50 G158
All year groups are welcome!
Bring your lunch and have fun!

Do you want to know the story behind Wu Kong?
Come to Mandarin Lunch Club to watch Journey to the West!



Music Extra-Curricular Groups

The following activities will start this week:

<u>Junior Choir</u> - Tuesday lunchtimes in F042

Choir - Tuesday (15:35 - 16:35) in F044

<u>Musical Theatre</u> – Thursday (15:35 - 16:35) in F044





BSL Sign of the Week

Welcome



Move your hands towards you twice, like you're asking someone to come closer to you



Have a great week, Grange!

Work hard.

Be Kind.