



Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

16th September 2024



Annual Data Check Forms

Many thanks to everyone who has already returned their Annual Data Check forms – this is very much appreciated.

However, we still have a lot of forms outstanding. If you have not yet returned your form, please hand this into the Main Office as soon as possible. If you need a new copy of the form for any reason, please collect one from the office.

S5/6 CV Writing Workshops

Monday 16th September

Period	Class	Room
1	5B1	G158
2	6G1 + 6G2	G148
4	5B2	F057
5	5G1	Library

Tuesday 17th September

Period	Class	Room
4	5G2	F084
5	6H1 + 6H2	F084
6	5D1	F056
7	5D2	F056

All S5 and S6 pupils should attend the workshop for their class group at the times and locations listed.

Speak to Mr Johnston if there are any queries.

PLEASE NOTE: The location of the workshop for 5G1 pupils has now changed to the library.

If any pupils missed their CV writing workshop on Thursday last week, they should see Mr Johnston **today during 1st period in G158** to arrange attending another workshop.



Grange Boys Rugby Festival



S1 + 2 boys put your name on the signup sheet in PE. A fun afternoon not to be missed!

Any questions see Miss Shankland.



Monday 16th September
Period 6-7

Grange Girls Rugby Festival



S1 + 2 girls put your name on the signup sheet in PE. A fun afternoon not to be missed!

Any questions see Miss Shankland



Monday 30th September
Period 6-7



Coaching Opportunity for S4 to S6 Pupils

- An exciting opportunity has been offered to Grange Academy at The Football Fun Factory!
- If you are interested in Coaching or working with young people, then the following information is definitely for you!
- Blair Gray, founder and owner of The Football Fun Factory is offering after school/weekend Work Experience in Coaching at his various venues around Ayrshire. See the following slides for lots more information.



The advertisement features a central collage of photos showing children playing football. A large photo at the top shows a boy in a yellow jersey jumping joyfully. Below it are three smaller photos: one of children playing on a field, one of a child sitting on a chair, and one of a group of children celebrating. The text 'Football Fun and Development', 'Tots Football Fun', and 'Football Fun Camps' is placed around these photos. At the bottom, the 'The Football Fun Factory' logo is displayed, followed by the text 'The Football Fun Factory Truly Unique Football experiences For children 2-12 Years old' and the website 'www.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk'.

Football Fun and Development

Tots Football Fun

Football Fun Camps

The Football Fun Factory
Truly Unique Football experiences
For children 2-12 Years old

www.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk

Work Experience After School Coaching Opportunity @ The Football Fun Factory!



Football Fun & Development (4-12yrs)

<https://thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/experiences/football-fun-and-development/>

- Monday 5.30-6.30pm @ Grange Leisure Centre, Kilmarnock
- Wednesday 5-6pm @ Muirhead Activity Centre, Troon
- Thursday 5-6pm @ William McIlvanney Leisure Centre, Kilmarnock
- Friday 5.30-6.30pm @ Grange Leisure Centre, Kilmarnock



Work Experience After School Coaching Opportunity @ The Football Fun Factory!



Tots Football Fun (18months - 4yrs)

<https://thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/experiences/tots-football-fun/>

- Sunday 10.00-10.45 @ Grange Leisure Centre
- Sunday 10.45-11.30 @ Grange Leisure Centre
- Sunday 11.30-12.15 @ Grange Leisure Centre
- Sunday 12.15-13.00 @ Grange Leisure Centre
- Wednesday 9.30-10.15 @ Ayrshire Gymnastics



Work Experience After School Coaching Opportunity @ The Football Fun Factory!



Football Fun Camps (5yrs - 12yrs)

<https://thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/experiences/football-fun-camps/>

- 14th-18th Oct @ Rose Reilly Sports Centre, Stewarton
- 30th Dec @ Rose Reilly Sports Centre, Stewarton

If you are interested in Coaching at any of the venues please see Miss McBride in HE (F067) or contact Blair directly. He is looking forward to working with Grange Academy pupils.



CHINESE LUNCH CLUB SPECIAL

MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL



Thursday 1:15-1:50 @G158 with Mrs Jiang

Make Oreo Moon cakes!

Taste Chinese Tea!





Maths Week Scotland Filming

It's Maths Week Scotland at the end of the month, and the BBC once again asked Mr Smith and the Grange Academy Maths geeks to be the stars of the Daily Challenge videos!

Brody, Charlie, Hollie, Jacob, Josh, Sophie and Wren from S1, alongside Cassidy, Charlie and Harris from S2 modelled how to solve the problems and provided top tips to help students from across the country who will tackle the challenges during Maths Week Scotland.

Everyone who took part was a credit to the school - really impressive!

Keep your eyes peeled as the films appear across social media and on BBC Bitesize each day during Maths Week Scotland (23rd - 29th September 2024).





Extra-Curricular Sports

DAY	BEFORE SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday			Netball
Tuesday		Football (astro)	Badminton Rugby
Wednesday	Indoor Football (S1 only)	Girls Football (indoor)	
Thursday		Volleyball	Dance Table Tennis
Various Days			Football – Competitive League & Cup Matches for all girls and boys teams Rugby – Competitive League & Cup Matches for all girls and boys teams

The PE Department see extracurricular sport as a great way to increase skill/fitness levels and socialise with new friends.

All clubs are open to pupils from S1 through to S6.

For pupils sitting PE National Qualifications from National 4 through to Advanced Higher, our clubs can be a useful vehicle for them to further improve their performance levels in the lead up to their Single Performance assessments.

All clubs/teams are free of charge and run by PE staff on a voluntary basis.

Come along and get involved!



Thomas Connor



Our very own Thomas Connor, S2, is currently in Malaysia filming for the new BBC adaptation of 'Lord of the Flies'.

Thomas has a main role, taking the part of Roger.

We can't wait to see the series when it airs... more updates to follow!



Thomas Connor

Not only a soon-to-be TV star, Thomas is a writing star too!

Congratulations to Thomas Connor, S2, who has won £50 and third prize in the Association of Scottish Literature Young Writers' Competition.

The competition was open to all schools in Scotland and Thomas's story 'Mouse's Diary' clearly impressed the judges. The awards ceremony takes place at Glasgow University next month.

Well done, Thomas!





Rhian Mitchell

Rhian Mitchell in S5 was selected to compete in Shot Put at the 2024 School Games held in Loughborough.

He achieved a new personal best of 14.37m to podium with a Bronze medal.

Congratulations, Rhian!





Science Info Evening

An event for parents of our new S1 pupils to come and meet the Science department.

Parents will be able to meet staff, ask questions about courses and pathways, see pupil work, and get hands on with some of the exciting activities and experiments we offer the pupils in Science!

The event will run on **Thursday 26th September from 5pm - 7:30pm** in the Science Department.

Pupils are welcome to attend with parents!



Grange Science

S1 PARENTS INFORMATION
EVENING

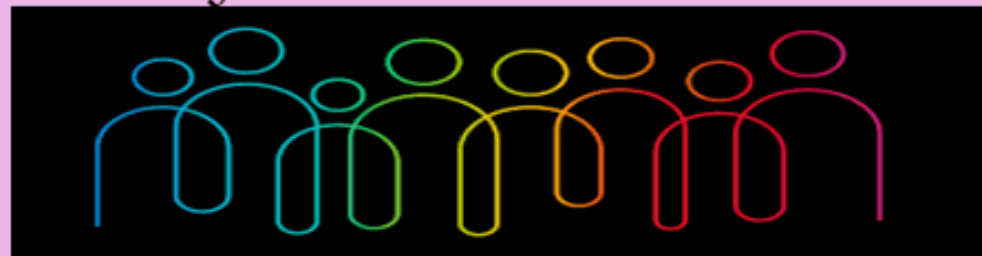
26/9/2024

5-7:30PM

Course Info • Study Skills • Demonstrations • Q&A

Inclusivity Club!

Inclusivity club is run in the library on a Tuesday lunch time by Miss Simms and Abbie Brown



The club will focus on issues around mental health, LGBT and how to make this school more inclusive.

The club will help to plan for Purple Friday and other events to raise awareness.

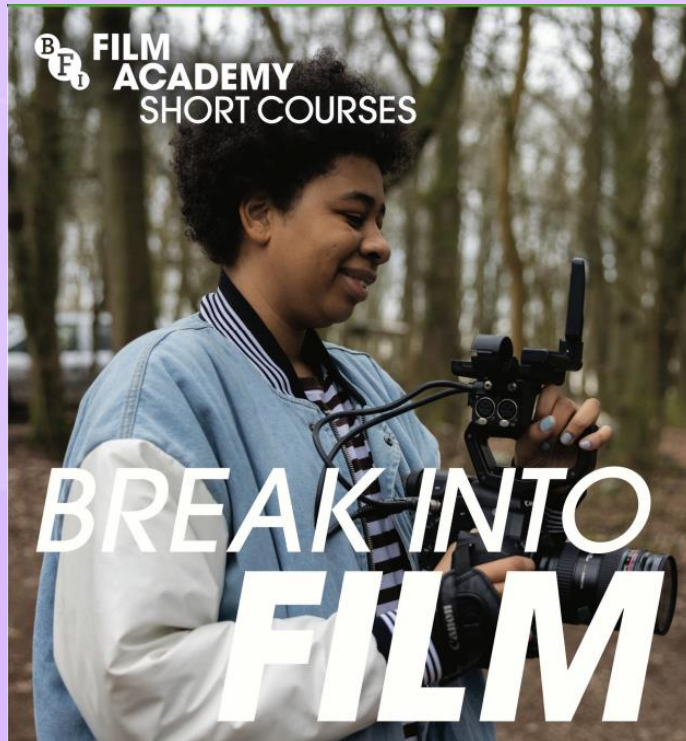
Also getting to help with fundraisers.

Also a place to have fun. Some weeks we will be colouring, other weeks games... a whole mix of activities to make the club a fun place to be.





Film-Making Workshop



Calling all pupils interested in filmmaking!

This Wednesday (18th September), Ayrshire Film Co. will be running a free 'Introduction to Film-making' session at Grange.

This is a taster session for their 'Break into Film' course.

It will take place in the assembly hall from 15:40 to 16:40 and is open to any pupil over 16.

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Johnston in Science asap.



Open Mic / Band / Live Performance

If you are a singer, or are part of a band, or would like to have the opportunity to perform in a public setting then there are two opportunities coming up.

Wednesday 25th September

Wednesday 13th November

The venue of the performances will be in the function suite attached to Pings Restaurant.

Performances to start 18:30 - 19:00, however the venue is open for food beforehand if you wish.

If you would like to participate in either (or both) of these opportunities, speak to Mr Ramsay or your Music Teacher ASAP.

Performances will be free to attend for pupils and parents/carers/wider family.





Young Musician/Singer

We are hosting our annual Young Musician/Singer event on **Wednesday 30th October**.

If you would like to be involved please give the following details to Mr Ramsay, or your Music Teacher as soon as possible:

- your name
- instrument or voice
- title of piece you plan to perform

The event will take place in two sections. The first event will be held either at lunchtime or after school on the 30th October. This will be for younger/less experienced singers or instrumentalists who are looking for the opportunity of a performance. The evening event will be for those who are equivalent to Associated Board Grade 4/5 level or above.

The winner of each part of the evening competition will be expected to represent Grange Academy at the Kilmarnock and District Rotary Club Competition on Monday 25th November at the New Laigh Church in Kilmarnock, and then at further venues if successful. A chance to follow in the footsteps of Charlie Boax who represented Grange and won the UK final for the last two years!



BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



Head

Tap your head



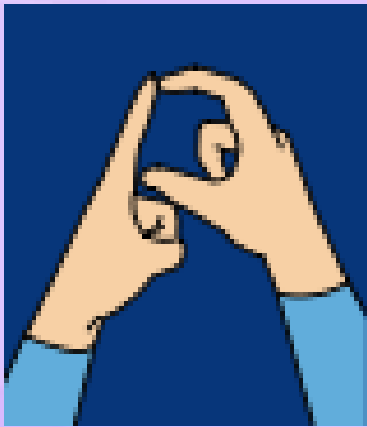
Teacher

Place your pointer fingers
either side of your mouth,
then move them forwards.



BSL Sign of the Week

Depute Head Teacher



Depute

Hold up the pointer of one hand and make a C shape with the thumb and pointer of your other hand.
This is the letter D.



Head

Tap your head



Teacher

Place your pointer fingers either side of your mouth, then move them forwards.



Have a great week, Grange!

Work hard.

Be kind.