



Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

30th September 2024



Senior Prefects and Captains Meeting

There will be a meeting of all senior Prefects and Captains in the library on Tuesday 1st October (tomorrow) during P2.

Please come directly to the library to register.

Mr Alldridge will also attend the meeting to discuss inter-house sports with the S6 House Captains.



If you have recently submitted an application for Prefect, look out for an email invitation to attend.

Thank you to all Prefects and Captains who are providing lunchtime supervision.

We need everyone to attend as per the rota this week, please.



A Message for S4 – S6 Pupils

The S4 - S6 assessment timelines now live on the school website were the suggestion of the Grange Parent Council.

They are intended to help parents and carers support their children in keeping up with deadlines and planning their study.

Please keep checking back as new subjects will be added shortly. We are currently rebuilding departmental SharePoint pages, and when this is complete, timelines will be available there too.

Please note that prelims take place in December.



Scan here to visit
the website



Grange Academy
S1 HALLOWEEN DISCO

29TH OCTOBER 7-9PM

GRANGE CAMPUS



£3 - Tickets on sale via ParentPay



S4 – S6 Supported Study

The first block of supported study will run from 22nd October to 13th December.

The second will run between the February break and the Easter holidays.

E-Sgoil begins on 28th October. To see what's on offer and to register, please scan the QR code below:





CV Writing Workshops



Thank you to Barclay's Life Skills, who delivered CV Writing workshops to our S5/6 pupils.

Scan the QR code below to find the CV building tool that can be used to help create your own CV:





Mock Interviews

Mock interviews will take place next week on the following dates:

S4/5 leavers – Tuesday October 8th

S6 – Thursday October 10th

The interview skills slides and the slides for the mock interview assembly, which contain **the questions you will be asked**, have been posted on the school app.

You will receive a slip with you interview time prior to the interview date.



Break Into Film



Thank you to Taylor from Ayrshire Film Co. who delivered a taster session for his Break Into Film course last week.

If you want to apply to the course, or just find out more information about it, please use the QR code on the flyers which are posted on the pillars in Science.



Open Mic Night

The Music Department recently hosted an open mic night at the Pings and Wings suite in Kilmarnock.

Well done to 'The Pines', Lucy Kerr, Eilidh McCard, Evie Boax, Caitlin Hattie, Aidan Shaw, Lucy McInally, Harry McVey, Roxanna Rocha and Beth Sommerville for an excellent night of talent.





Italy Skiing Trip

Any pupils interested in going on a skiing trip to Italy, please collect a letter from Mr Adams in the PE department as soon as possible.

The trip is open to all year groups, and will take place in January.





Young WEIR-WISE 2025

S2 Girls Only

About Young WEIR-WISE

- The Young WEIR-WISE initiative, a partnership between the Faculty of Engineering at Strathclyde University and The Weir Group, is designed to inspire S2 female students to discover the excitement and personal satisfaction behind a career in engineering.

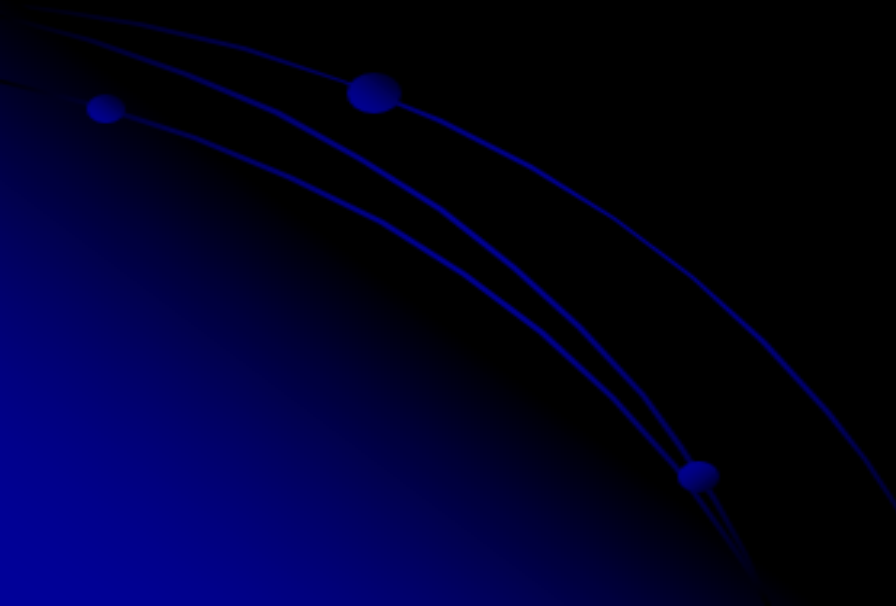


- You will take part in a series of practical activities, including creating nano-polymer bouncy balls, and building your own moveable hand.

The WEIR-WISE Programme

- The programme will run in 2025 with 300 places available, and is open to all S2 girls in Scotland.
- 200 pupils will attend a two-day in-person event at the University of Strathclyde campus on either the 13th-14th of January 2024 or 16th-17 of January 2025
- 100 pupils will attend the one-day virtual event on 22nd of January 2025.
- Participants will hear from staff at the University and colleagues from the Weir Group who will provide insight into studying and working in the field of engineering.

To Apply

- If you are interested in applying for Young WEIR-WISE 2025, please see Ms Bell (Biology, S023) for more information.
 - **The closing date for entries is Monday 28 October 2024.**
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S1 Science Centre Trip

Wednesday 18th December 2024



£20 per pupil

Please add your name to the list outside the science base if you would like to attend – there are 90 spaces.

The bus will leave Grange Academy at 9am and you will be back at school for the end of the day.

Christmas-themed Planetarium and Science Show included.

Any questions please speak to Mrs Marshall in Science.



BGE CRAFT CLUB

The Design and Technology Department will be running a craft club on **Thursday lunchtimes in G181.**

All S1 – S3 are invited. Grab some lunch before you come along.
Get involved in some early Christmas Crafts!

If you require any additional information, see Mrs Cuthbert or Mrs Cairns.





Drama Club

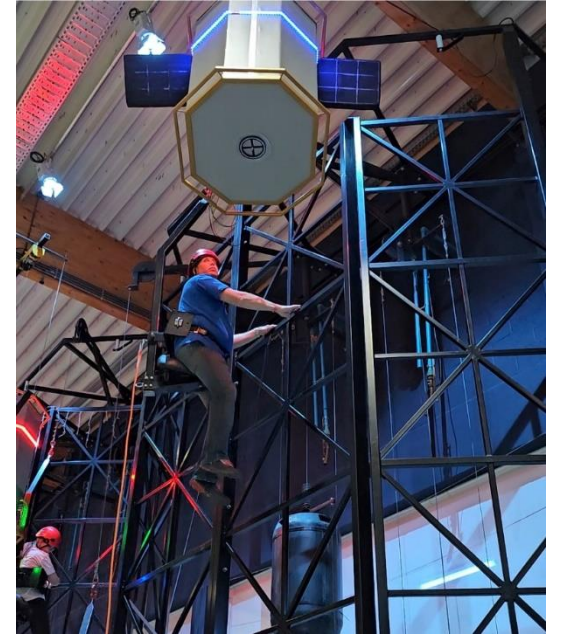
Miss Cameron will be running a Drama Club every Tuesday lunchtime (starting at 1.15pm) in G138.

The first meeting of the club will be on Tuesday 1st October (tomorrow) and it is open to all year groups.

Drama
Club 

EuroSpace, Belgium

Over the September weekend a group of 21 S5/6 pupils went with Dr Mitchell, Mr McPherson and Mr Cree to the European Space Center in Belgium

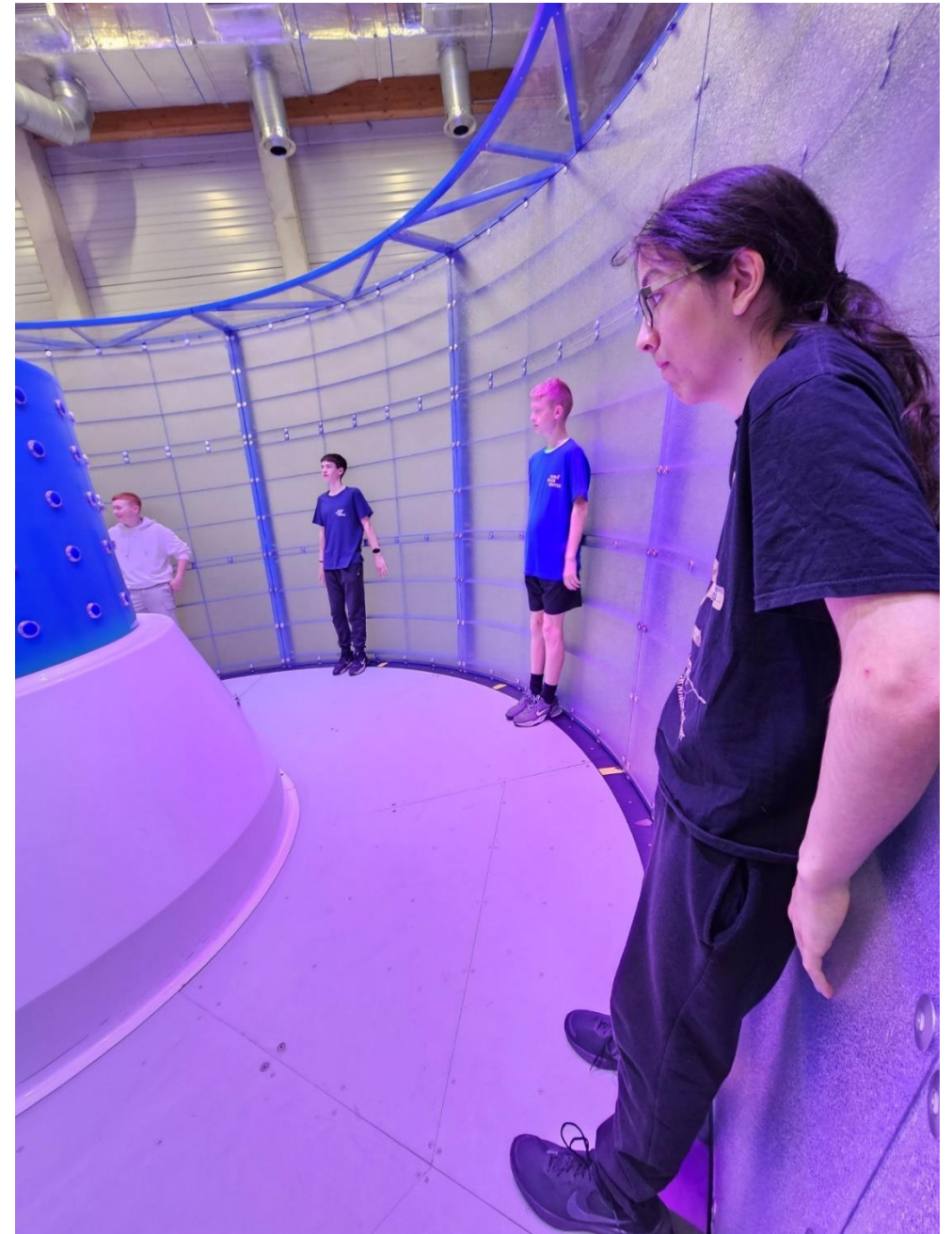




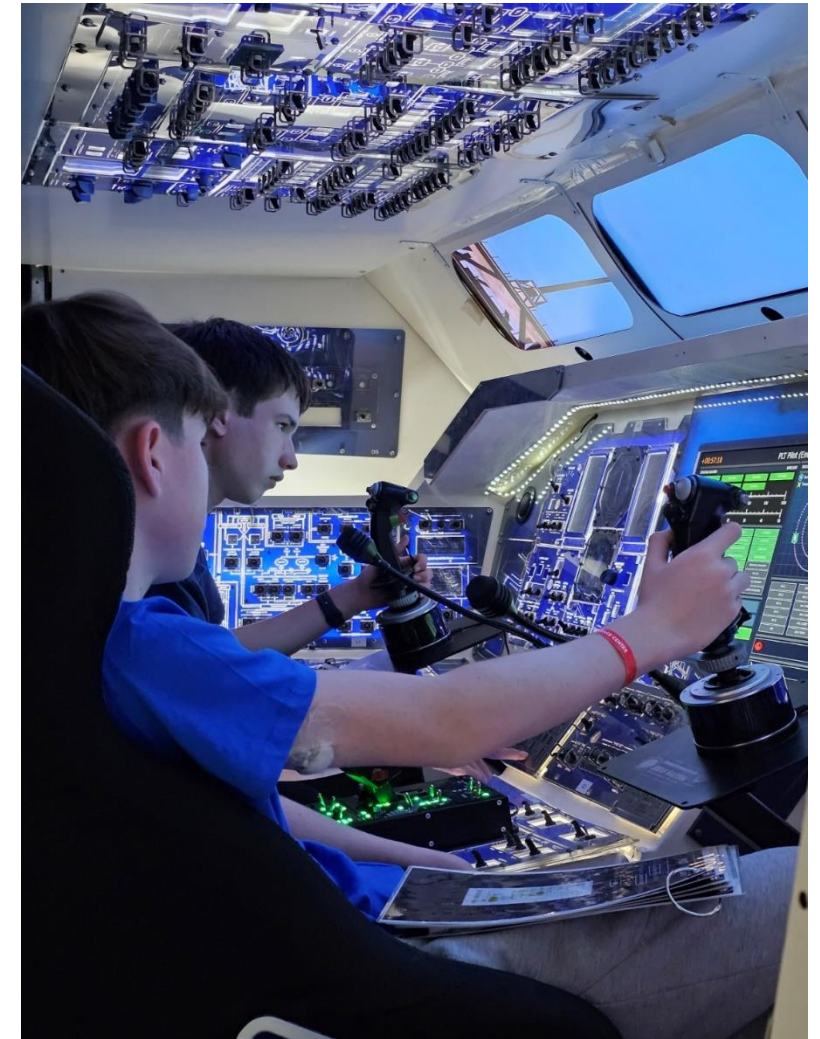
Building and launching gunpowder rockets that deploy a parachute



Experiencing the Space Rotor – a centrifuge that lets you feel a g-force of 2.7



Shuttle Launch Simulator – 6 in the control room, 2 in the spacecraft



Zero Gravity Wall Space Walk to Build Satellite



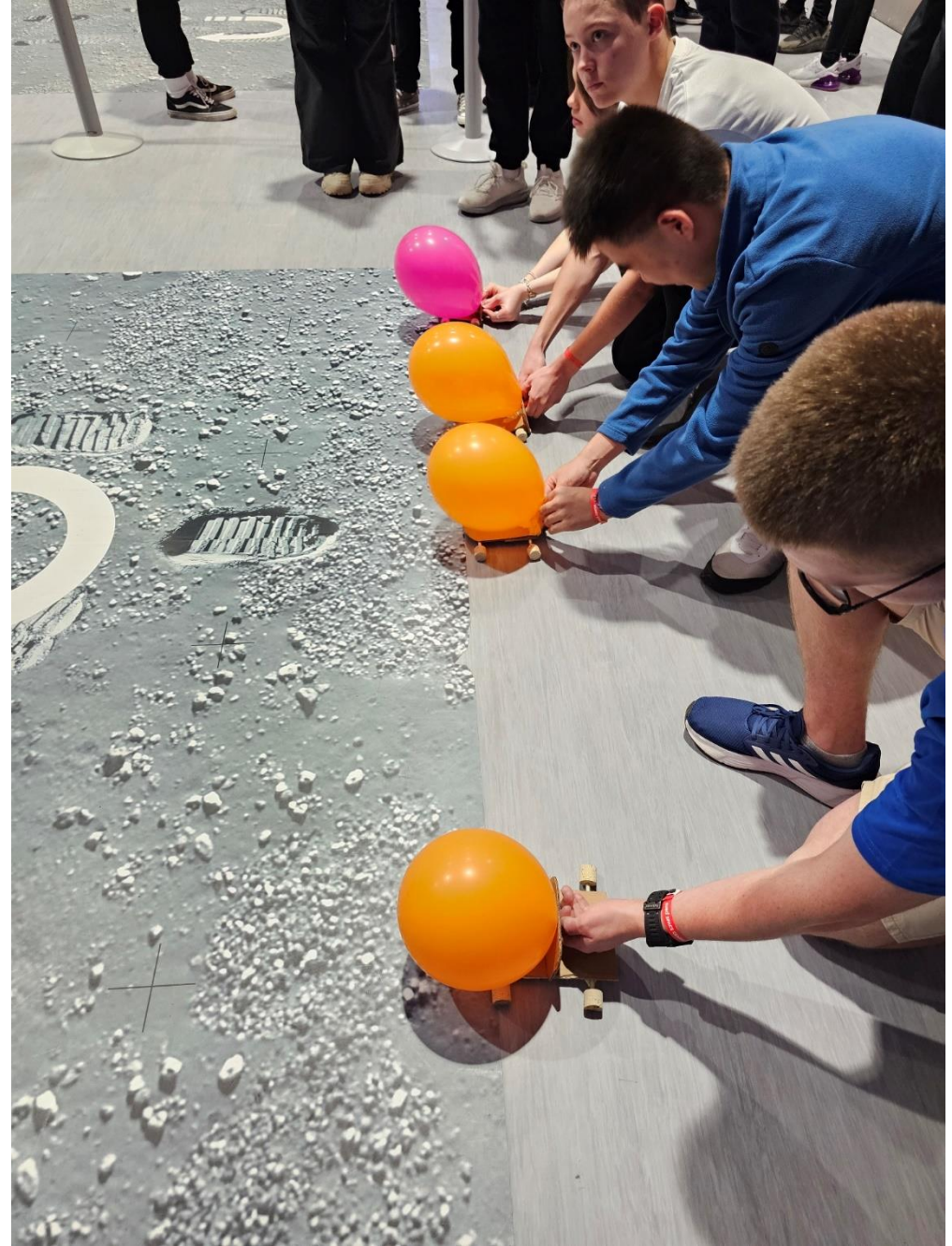
Clean Room to Build a Satellite



Astronaut Aptitude Activities



Action:Reaction Model Car Race



Space Mission Briefings



Planetarium, experiments and lots more activities!





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.





Tots Football Fun

Football Fun and Development

Football Fun Camps

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

www.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk

The advertisement features a 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 central logo consists of the letters 'FF' in a stylized font with a soccer ball in the middle, all within a circular frame. The background is a mix of yellow and blue with a torn-paper effect.

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



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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.





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!



Christmas Fayre



Grange Academy Parent Council Christmas Fayre

This year's Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday the 23rd of November, from 10am until 1pm.

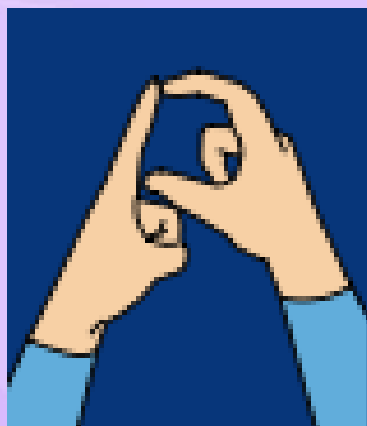
If you are interested, or know of someone that might be interested in taking a stall, please email grangepc5@gmail.com

Thank you.



BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



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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.



BSL Sign of the Week

Changing Room



Changing

Make your pointer fingers into hooks, cross your wrists then swap the position of your hands, so that the top one moves to the bottom and the bottom one moves to the top.



Room

Draw a rectangle with your pointer fingers.



Have a great week, Grange!

Work hard.

Be kind.