



# **Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin**

**2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024**



# Prelims

Good luck to all our senior pupils who are sitting prelim exams, starting this week.

Here are some things to remember:

Make sure you arrive at least **10 minutes before** the start of the exam, and check your seat number before entering.

Phones, smartwatches and other devices **MUST BE SWITCHED OFF** (not just on silent!) and placed inside your bag, or left at home.

You must wear school uniform while attending for prelims.

When you finish an assessment, you must return to your timetabled class – do not loiter in The Street, the library or other areas of the school.



# Prelims

For everyone else, it is important that we help the prelims run as smoothly as possible.

This means keeping noise to a minimum in areas of the school where exams are taking place.

Please also look out for signs which will tell you when a room (e.g. the library) is closed for prelims and you should not enter.

Thank you.



# Inter-House Football Results

Inter-house Football is now complete.

S1 (1's)	House	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Graham 1	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hamilton 1	15
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Douglas 1	10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce 1	5

S1 (2's)	House	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Graham 2	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hamilton 2	15
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Douglas 2	10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce 2	5

S2	House	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Hamilton	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Graham	15
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bruce	10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Douglas	5

Special thanks to Calum Stewart for refereeing the games for us!



# Inter-House Points Table

After 1 event, the inter-house points table looks like this:

	House	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Graham	55
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hamilton	50
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Douglas	25
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce	20

The next event will be S1 Dodgeball taking place in December.

Keep your eye on the bulletin for the details.



# Step into Tech: Apprenticeships Discovery Day

QA are hosting an exciting “**Step into Tech: Winter Apprenticeships Discovery Day**”, where they’ll be considering applicants for a variety of apprenticeship opportunities in and around Glasgow City Centre.

This event is open to anyone aged 16-19, considering their career options.

## During the event, participants will have the opportunity to:

- Explore the incredible apprenticeships available in Digital Marketing, Business, IT Support, Cyber Security, Software Development & Data Analytics
  - Get expert advice on applying for apprenticeships
  - Learn how to ace an apprenticeship interview
  - Take part in communication and team working activities
- Have a friendly chat with our recruitment team and enjoy an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at our Scotland HQ

## Event Details:

- Date: Wednesday, 18th December 2024
- Time: 12:30pm-3.30pm
- Location: QA HQ, Glasgow City Centre

See the school app, or speak to Mr Johnstone for more details on how to sign up.



# Campus Christmas Concert



This year's Christmas Concert will take place on:

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm**

Tickets £3/£2 at the door

Speak to Mr Ramsay for more info.



# ScotRail Apprenticeships

ScotRail have advertised their Modern Apprenticeships that will commence in August 2025.

The closing date for the roles will be 1st February 2025.

- ENGINEERING MAINTENANCE (MULTI-SKILLED) – (Corkerhill Depot)
- ENGINEERING MAINTENANCE (MULTI-SKILLED) – (Shields Depot)
  - System Field Engineer (Eastfield Depot)
- Customer Service Glasgow (Central and Queen Street)
  - ADMINISTRATION (HR) (Glasgow Based)
- ADMINISTRATION (Engineering) (Glasgow Based)



See the school app, or speak to Mr Johnstone for more details, including how to apply.





# Reading Champions Quiz



The National Reading Champions Quiz is an event that recognises and celebrates the book knowledge of more than 2,000 keen readers aged 10 to 14 each year.

We want to enter a Grange Academy team to this exciting reading competition in 2025. If you love to read and want to test your book-ish knowledge, speak to Miss Cooper in the library for more details.

We would be competing against schools from all over the UK, and the best performing teams will go on to compete in an amazing grand final event in London!



# Foodbank Collection

As always, in the run up to the Christmas holidays we will be hosting a Foodbank Collection in the library.

If you are able to donate even just one of the items listed here, it will make a huge difference to local families here in East Ayrshire.

Please bring any donations to Miss Cooper by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

**If the library is closed for a prelim, please take your donation to the main school office.**

Thank you.

## Please Help!



Ayrshire  
East  
foodbank



COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS  
(East Ayrshire) Ltd

Since January, with the support of our communities the Foodbank has distributed over 2000 three day packs to those in crisis. With our next national collection being in December and our shelves running low we need to ask you to please dig deep again. The generosity we see in East Ayrshire always humbles us, and we thank you in advance for any donations you choose to make.

The following items would be most gratefully received;

Beans	Custard,	Jam
Tinned spaghetti,	Ravioli,	Macaroni,
Tinned veg,	Long grain rice,	Cuppa soups,
Tinned meat,	Pasta sauce,	Diluting juice,
Tinned Soup	Sweets,	Toiletries
UHT Milk	Crisps,	



# EuroSpace, Belgium Info



Information letters containing all the details for the 2025 EuroSpace, Belgium trip are available to collect from the folder on Dr Mitchell's classroom door, and the door to the Science base.

Any pupil currently in S4/S5 who is interested in the trip can collect a sheet.



# Performing Arts Club

Calling all S1-3 pupils with a passion for the stage! Our new Performing Arts Club, led by seniors students who invite you every Wednesday after school in the Drama Department. Whether you're interested in acting, directing, writing, or the behind-the-scenes magic that makes a show shine, this is the perfect space to explore your talents.

**Wednesdays: 15:35-4:30**



No previous experience is needed—just enthusiasm and curiosity! Come along, bring a friend, and let's create something amazing together. We can't wait to see you there!



# Deloitte Careers and Apprenticeships

Thank you to Ruairidh Cree from Deloitte, who is a former pupil here at Grange, for coming in to talk to senior pupils about his apprenticeship journey with Deloitte.

Ruairidh also spoke about the variety of career and apprenticeship opportunities available with Deloitte. Keep your eye on the school app and the bulletin for any updates from Ruairidh regarding upcoming opportunities.





# Christmas Movie Night – The Santa Clause

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> of December, we will be hosting a Christmas Movie Night in the Assembly Hall.

Tickets are available on ParentPay for all S1 – S3 pupils, and the cost is £3 per person.

Feel free to come along with family or friends, and be as comfy as you like – you can even bring your PJs, blankets and pillows!

Arrive by 5.30pm, and the showing of The Santa Clause will begin at 6pm.

There will also be barista service and snacks available!







# BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



Hold your left palm flat, like a piece of paper.  
Use your right hand to mime writing on it.



# BSL Sign of the Week



## Wise

Move your thumb across your forehead, from right to left

## Men

Make the shape of a beard with your hand



Have a great week, Grange!

Work hard.

Be kind.