



Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

14th September 2026

S1 Freshers' Fayre

S1

EXTRACURRICULAR
CLUBS
2026-27



All S1 pupils will attend the Freshers' Fayre on **Thursday 17th September** to take part in team building activities and to gather info about the range of extracurricular clubs on offer.

This will take place during the following periods:

- Bruce and Douglas S1 pupils: Period 1 and 2
- Graham and Hamilton S1 pupils: Period 3 and 4

You must go to your class to register, and then your teacher will bring you to The Street.

S1

Thursday 17th September 2026

S1 Teambuilding Day

We would love if all S1 pupils would join us in the street for a teambuilding event on **Thursday 17th September.**

- Period 1: Douglas
- Period 2: Bruce
- Period 3: Hamilton
- Period 4: Graham



Science Info Evening

S1

Come along to the meet the science department, ask questions, see examples of pupil work, and have the opportunity to take part in exciting experiments delivered by our biologists, chemists and physicists!

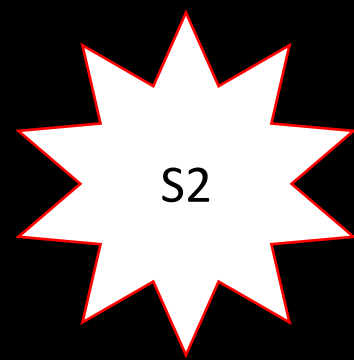
Grange Science

S1 PARENTS INFORMATION
EVENING

30/09/2026

5-7 PM

Course Info • Study Skills • Demonstrations • Q&A



Young WEIR-WISE 2027

S2 Girls Only

About Young WEIR-WISE

S2

- 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

S2

- The programme will run in 2027 with 200 places available, with places open to all **S2 girls** in Scotland.
- Pupils will attend a two-day in person event at the University of Strathclyde campus on either the 11-12 January 2027 (100 pupils) or 14-15 January 2027 (100 pupils).
- 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

S2

- If you are an S2 girl with a particular interest in maths, science and engineering and want to apply for Young WEIR-WISE 2027, please see Ms Bell (Biology, S023) for more information.
- The closing date for entries is Monday 5 October 2026.

Italy Ski Trip – January

S2 – 6



For pupils attending the ski trip:

If you haven't already done so, please take your passport to the school office to be photocopied ASAP!

Man City vs Napoli

S3

We have been offered **45 pupil places (S3 only)** for a school trip to the Manchester City v Napoli match on **Tuesday 24th November 2026**.

Provisional itinerary:

Tuesday 24th November 2026 – (8.00pm Kick-off) Matchday Experience (£109)

- Depart from **Grange Academy** at 12.30pm
- *Comfort break at services*
- Estimated to arrive at Etihad Stadium at 6.00pm
- 8.00pm: Match kick-off
- Depart from Manchester around 10.30pm
- **No Comfort break at services**
- Returning to **Grange Academy** around 3.00am allowing for traffic

If you are interested, please fill in the form on the school app by **Tuesday 15th September**.

Any questions, speak to Mr Scott.

Cumnock Tryst

S4 – 6



There are 20 places available to East Ayrshire for singers in the Cumnock Tryst festival chorus.

Rehearsals will take place:

- **Wednesday 30th September, Ayr Town Hall; 5-8pm**
- **Saturday 3rd October, Barony Campus in Cumnock**
 - 1100-1300: session with Andy McTaggart
 - 1400-1700: full rehearsal with The Wallace Collection and our Festival Chorus
 - 1900: Performance at Cumnock Tryst

Singers must be able to commit to both the rehearsals.

Speak to Mr Ramsay for more details, or to sign up.



DISCOVER HANDS-ON INTRODUCTORY FILM COURSES

BFI Film Academy

S5 – 6

The BFI Film Academy will run a taster session on
Thursday 17th September from 15:45 to 16:30 in F044
(Music).

The session is a **free interactive filmmaking workshop** for
S5/S6 pupils.

What the session covers:

- **Hands-on experience:** A quick, practical dive into screenwriting, camera operating, and director roles.
- **Industry insight:** Real-world advice on breaking into the Scottish film and TV industry.
- **Application Help:** Direct pathway for your pupils to apply for our fully funded, industry-recognised BFI course starting this October.

Speak to Mr Ramsay for more details, or to sign up.

Mathematics – Become an Actuary

S5 – 6

How much would it cost to insure Sabrina Carpenter's world tour - from her voice to her travel and stage setup? What's the risk of Lewis Hamilton racing at 200mph in Monaco where one crash could cost millions? These are the kinds of real-life questions actuaries help answer - and now it's your turn to learn more about the way actuaries think!

There's an upcoming online session designed for Higher / Adv Higher Maths students who are considering studying Maths or Actuarial Science at university.

Mathematics - Becoming an Actuary... Get paid to predict the future!

Online, Thursday 24th Sept 2026 at 18:00–18:45

Please join Dr Marie Michaelides from the Actuarial Science department and discover how to turn your love for maths into a high-impact, well-paid career!

[Click here to sign up](#)

S6 Leavers Hoodies - Reminder

S6



Any S6 pupils who did not complete their leavers hoodie form in PSE last Friday will have a final opportunity to complete it in a PSE class after the September weekend.

The available colours and sizes can be viewed on the website [here](#) (or search Pencarrie Awdis Hoodies)

Christmas Snowball

S5 – 6



Senior pupils (S5 and S6) wanting to attending the Grange Academy Christmas Snowball night should buy a ticket on ParentPay ASAP.

We need to let the Park Hotel know how many people are coming. The deadline for buying tickets is **Friday 25th September**.

Staff can also buy their tickets on Parentpay.

Lost and Found

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If you have lost any of these belongings, please collect them from the office by Thursday 17th September.



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Medical School Lectures 2026



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Every year, the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh runs free lectures for young people who are considering a career in medicine. These lectures can be attended in person at the College's Queen Street premises, watched via livestream, or viewed on catch-up any time after the event.

The next lectures will take place on Monday 28th September and Wednesday 30th September.
Recordings of past lectures can be watched [HERE](#).

Schools' Lecture 2026 : Entry to Med School

Monday 28th September 2026

4:30pm – 6:00pm

Don't let the application process confuse you
- join us to find out everything you need to
know when applying to medical school!

[BOOK NOW](#)

Schools' Lecture 2026: Medical Ethics

Wednesday 30 September 2026

4:30pm – 6:00pm

Curious about medical ethics? Sit alongside
some of Scotland's top medical professionals
as we discuss the role of ethics in medicine
today.

[BOOK NOW](#)



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Applications open to S5 & S6 pupils | Academic Year 26/27

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for Mathematics

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supporting
younger pupils

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$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

★ Share your passion for Maths and make a difference.

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Maths Ambassadors

S5 – 6

Scan the QR code or speak to
Mr Wallace for more
information about the
opportunity to become a Maths
Ambassador this year.

Child Protection Co-Ordinator

S1 – 6



Mrs Cardow is the Child Protection Co-ordinator at Grange Academy and is the main point of contact for any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing.

She works closely with staff, parents and carers, and external agencies to ensure that any signs of abuse, neglect, or harm are identified and acted upon quickly.

Mrs Cardow's role includes listening to concerns, keeping accurate records, following the school's safeguarding policy, and making referrals to the appropriate services when needed.

Above all, she is there to make sure every child in the school is safe, supported, and protected.

Foodbank Collection

S1 – 6



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,	

As always, in the run-up to the October break, we will be running a foodbank collection in the library.

If you can spare even just one of the items listed here, it will make a huge difference to local people in need.

Please bring all donations to Miss Cooper by Thursday 8th October.

Thank you ❤️

Period Poverty Group

S1 – 3



The Grange Academy Period Poverty group are looking to recruit some new members.

Please sign up before the long weekend if you are interested.

There will be a meeting for anyone who wants to take part on **Thursday 24th September** in Miss Catherine's room (F053)

Sign Language Club

S1 – 6

Any pupils who are interested in learning British Sign Language should come along to F089 on Monday lunchtimes.

First meeting will take place on Monday 28th September.



BSL Club
For all year groups
Monday lunchtimes
F089

Starts 28th September

With Mrs Smith
and Mrs Reid

*Communicate *Learn *Have Fun
Bring your lunch.



Chinese Lunch Club

中文午餐俱乐部

S1 - 6



Every Tuesday and Thursday



1:10-1:50



@G158



Activities:



Majiang



Chinese
tea tasting



Paper cutting



Origami



Watch Chinese
videos

Make friends, have fun and
explore Chinese culture!



SU Group



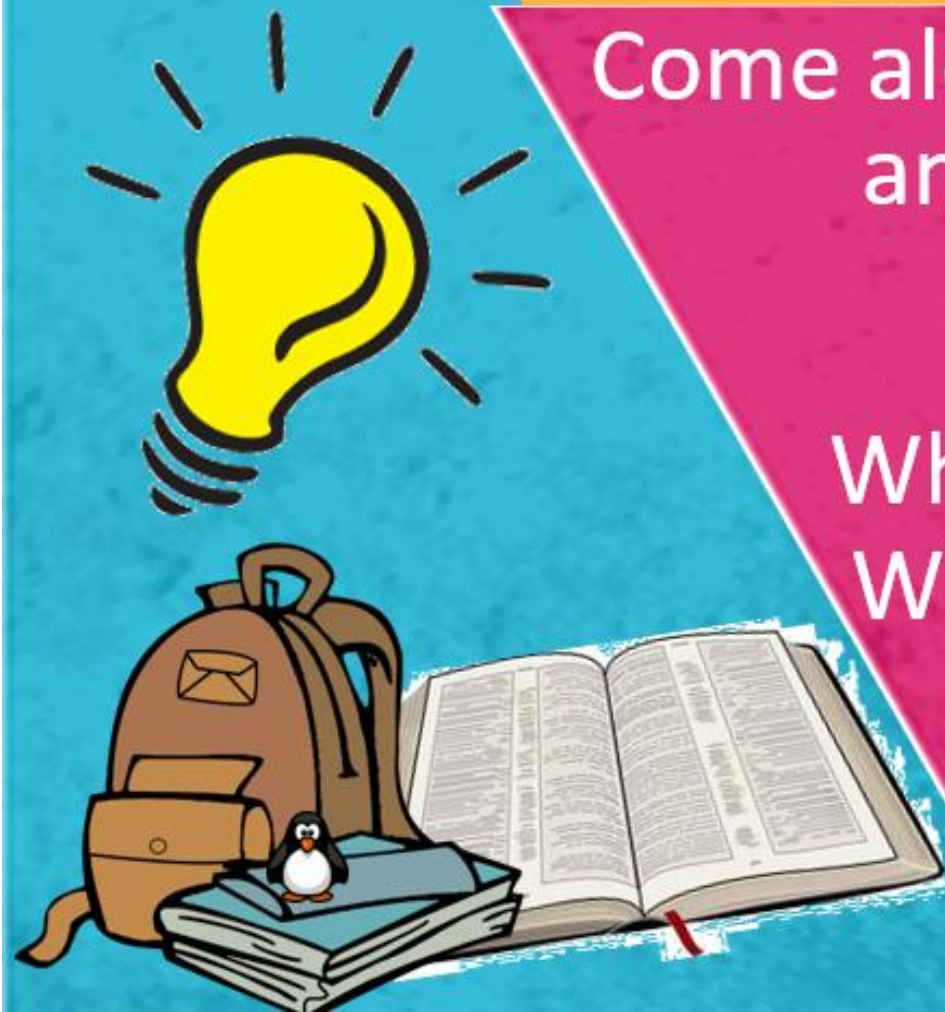
Come along for fun, games, chat
and to hear about the amazing
things in the Bible

Where: Room F099 (next to PSB)

When: Wednesday lunchtime

Starting 9th September

Bring a lunch!!





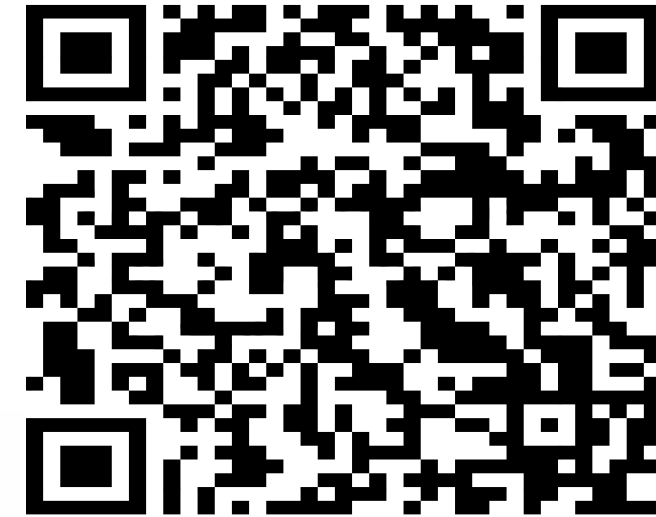
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Long Weekend

S1 – 6



School will be closed for a long weekend on Friday 18th and Monday 21st of September.

Staff and pupils return on Tuesday 22nd of September.

Have a nice weekend!

BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the previous bulletin?



Hold one hand flat and tap it twice with the thumb of the other hand.

BSL Sign of the Week

S1 – 6



boring

Move your hand towards your mouth twice to
hide a yawn



Have a great week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.