



# Grangefield School

*Flying high. Spreading our wings.*

Date	Activity	Date	Activity
2 Feb 2016	Sign-2-sing – 2.45pm parents welcome	1 Mar 2016	Parent Evening
4 Feb 2016	Y1 Assembly – 2.55pm start	2 Mar 2016	Parent Evening
12 Feb 2016	End of Term 3	18 Mar 2016	Sports Relief
22 Feb 2016	Start of Term 4	24 Mar 2016	Last day of Term 4

## Pets

Reception have been really enjoying their show and tell pet visits. Thank you to all the parents who have brought in their pets to meet the class.



## Year 6 Viking Workshop

On Tuesday afternoon Y6 had a wonderful opportunity of experiencing a Viking workshop. They had great fun discovering new facts about the Vikings, playing Kingy Bats (a Viking bat and ball game) and putting together a model of a Viking ship. Some children even got the opportunity to dress up in Viking clothing. A few more pictures can be found on Y6 webpage.



## Important - Census day - Thursday 21 January 2016

We hope that all of our infant children are enjoying the hot meals which are provided free of charge under the Universal Free School Meals. On Thursday 21 January we have our 'Census' day, this is the day the DfE (Department of Education) and LA (Local Authority) ask all schools to submit their data. This data includes the number of children taking a Universal Free School meal (Reception to Year 2) or a Free School Meal (Reception to Year 6). **We would like to encourage all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to have a school dinner on this day as this will determine the funding the school receives to cater for these meals.** If there was a short fall across the whole year it would impact on the normal school budget. The menu this day will be as the usual Beef Meatballs in tomato sauce with rice or lentil and sweet potato curry with rice and carrots and green beans. Pudding will be chocolate iced square. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## Curriculum and Assessment Evening

Many thanks to parents and staff who attended this very interesting and informative talk by Mrs Gilroy about the changes to the curriculum and assessments and the impact it will have on your child's learning through the school. It really gave a very good insight into how the children's mind set is extremely important to their learning. Your support, as ever, is most appreciated.

## Well done to Super Achievers from last week who have each earned a certificate and 10 Owl Merits for their Owl Group

Rec	Rosie and Emy
Year 1	Lilly and Finnley
Year 2	Romilly and Reggie
Year 3	Jack and Jake
Year 4	Mille and Hollye
Year 5	Josh and Sam
Year 6	Harry F and Chloe

### **Parental Questionnaire Autumn 2015**

We hope you found the parental survey document interesting. We wanted to remind you that myself and Mrs Gilroy will be around at 2.45pm on Thursday 21 January for a chat to see how we could improve the sharing of information relating to your child's progress. If you could let the office know if you are able to attend that would be useful. Thank you.

### **World Thinking Day – 22 February 2016**

It has been a tradition for Guides, Brownies, Scouts, Cubs etc to wear their uniforms on Thinking Day. We are very pleased to be able to support this day and happy for their uniforms to be worn.

### **Winston's Wish**

We had a lovely letter from Winston's Wish to thank us for organising the Big Breakfast which raised an amazing **£230.00!** Winston's Wish have told us that with contributions like this, Winston's Wish can continue to be there for children and families after the death of a loved one. So thank you for your support.

### **Sport Fixtures**

We have published the list of sport fixtures and dates on our website under news. See:

<http://grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk/news/>

### **General**

- Please stick to walking on the path and when it is crowded please try to walk parallel if possible. Although we do prohibit movement of vehicles during children arriving and departing from school, there can always be an emergency. Please discourage children from walking between cars as it helps establish safer practice for when they are in Tesco or other car parks.

### **Community**

- We have been given some leaflets from Explore Learning who offer maths and English tuition, if you are interested please come to reception and pick up a leaflet.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Lewis/Mrs Freeman