



Date	Activity	Date	Activity
<b>24 Sept 2015</b>	<b>Year 6 Class Assembly – 2.55pm start</b>	<b>26 Nov 2015</b>	Year 2 Class Assembly – 2.55pm start
<b>15 Oct 2015</b>	Photographs	<b>23-29 Nov 2015</b>	Assessment period – avoid any time off during this week
<b>16 Oct 2015</b>	Harvest performance – 2pm start	<b>16 Dec 2015</b>	KS1 Performance
<b>21 Oct 2015</b>	End of Term 1	<b>17 Dec 2015</b>	KS2 Performance
<b>2 Nov 2015</b>	Inset day	<b>18 Dec 2015</b>	Christmas sing a long
<b>3 Nov 2015</b>	Term 2 Begins	<b>18 Dec 2015</b>	End of Term 2
<b>19 Nov 2015</b>	Year 5 Class Assembly – 2.55pm start		

## Welcome

We welcomed another 22 of our Reception children this week, they have all been settling in well.

## Driver News – Global Child

Next Friday we will be welcoming Rosemary Maina, Head Teacher of Kiwanja Primary School which is in Kinamba District of Laikipia County in Kenya. Rosemary is coming as part of a party of 16 Heads who are visiting primary schools in Gloucestershire, including our cluster schools: Woodmancote, Gotherington and Swindon Village. Rosemary will be visiting for 11 days and will be mostly at Grangefield, but also visiting our cluster schools, Cleeve School and the local area. Just before and during half term, Mrs Newit will be visiting Rosemary in Kenya. We are very excited to have formed this link with Kiwanja School and are looking forward to learning together.

## Extend Award

This is a picture of all the children who received an Extend award for taking part in sports clubs from September 2014-September 2015. We are very proud that so many of our children joined in with our sporting activities.



**Well done to the following children who were awarded the Blue Card Award for outstanding achievement last term.**

Reception	Spencer D-W
Year 1	Summer M
Year 2	Heidi W & Jacob M
Year 3	Hollye M
Year 4	Archie B
Year 5	Freya S and Isabelle J
Year 6	Thomas C



**Congratulations to Barn Owls who were Owl Group Champions last term.**

## Digital Leaders

Due to the Y6 children moving on to Cleeve, we currently have 3 vacancies for Digital Leaders. Digital Leaders support teachers in the running of computing. Their role is varied, including jobs such as charging the LearnPads and leading training for both staff and pupils in the use of new software and hardware. In order to be considered for the role, children are required to complete an application form and then attend an interview if selected. This is an important role and requires commitment so we would encourage children to discuss their application with their parents, prior to submission. Forms and more details can be obtained from Mrs Stokes.

## PTA Corner

With the new school year under way, the Grangefield PTA kicked into action and have started preparations for the year ahead.

First on the agenda is to introduce the team. We have a PTA representative for each of the year groups who will be your port of call for information about what we're currently doing, suggestions for fund raising, future events etc. The members are:-

Reception\*\*

Year 1 Sarah Woods

Year 2 Vanessa Freeman

Year 3 Yuhui Li

Year 4 Wendy Reynerds

Year 5 Suzanne Rosser

Year 6 Jay Davis and Zoe Mathias

\*\* We hope to nominate a member to represent Reception at our next meeting.

## PTA Vacancies

As is normal practice, a few of our members retired at the end of the last school year as their children left Grangefield for the next phase of their academic life. This now leaves us with the opportunity to recruit

three new members into the PTA team.

The PTA is made up of 3 teachers, the Head Teacher and 21 parents of the children. We meet, on average, once a month to discuss and plan events which will ultimately raise funds for projects and equipment for the benefit of all the Grangefield children. These can be small items such as ukuleles for the music department, games for the classroom for wet play or cooking equipment, to larger projects such as the wooden castle and the forthcoming trip later this year to the pantomime.

If you are interested in knowing more about us or would be keen to join the team, please speak with myself, your class representative or Mrs Freeman at reception. Our next meeting will be Tuesday 6 October and it would be great to have the new members on board in readiness for that meeting.

Many Thanks and here's to another great year.

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## Admin Tweets

- Grange money is now payable on parent pay. Just a reminder it is £30 per year per child or £10 per term. Thank you in advance.
- Sadly the nits are back already, please check your child's head.

## Reminders

- We are holding a MacMillan coffee morning in school on Thursday 24 September 2015 from 8.45 until 10am in the Year 4 classroom. All parents, grandparents and siblings are welcome. If you would like to contribute any cakes or biscuits you are most welcome. All proceeds will go to support MacMillan Cancer Charity.
- **Year 6 Parents** - Mr Alwyn Richards the new Head at Cleeve school will be giving a talk to parents of Year 6 children on Thursday 24 September 2015 at 6pm at Grangefield.
- An email has been sent out to Y4, Y5 and Y6 parents with details of Pate's Grammar School open evening on 6 October 2015.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Lewis/Mrs Freeman