Newsletter 6 - 9 October 2015

Date	Activity	Date	Activity	
13 & 14 Oct	Parent Evenings	26 Nov 2015	Year 2 Class Assembly – 2.55pm start	
15 Oct 2015	Photographs	23-29 Nov	Assessment period – avoid any time off during this week	
16 Oct 2015	Harvest performance – 2pm start	27 Nov 2015	Whole School Pantomime Trip	
21 Oct 2015	End of Term 1	4 Dec 2015	PTA Table top Christmas Fair tbc	
2 Nov 2015	Inset day	11 Dec 2015	Christmas Disco	
3 Nov 2015	Term 2 Begins	16 Dec 2015	EYFS/KS1 Performance	
5 Nov 2015	PTA Bonfire Cake Sale	17 Dec 2015	KS2 Performance	
19 Nov 2015	Year 5 Class Assembly – 2.55pm start	18 Dec 2015	Christmas sing a long	
		18 Dec 2015	End of Term 2	

Parent Evenings – 13-14 October

Just to confirm, we will be holding a crèche for children and their siblings during parents evening.

Year 5 French Exchange

On Monday, Y5 children from Bonneville in France came to visit our Y5 children. The children spent the first part of the morning practising their French greetings and then the French children were given a tour of our school. Both French and English



teachers led lessons with children joining in and experiencing the differences and similarities in teaching. We finished off the day by taking part in a tag rugby tournament, the children enjoyed playing in mixed teams and all finished the day with big smiles on their faces!

'It was amazing, some of use made some new friends' said Charlie and Damian. More photos on Y5 website.

Year 2's trip to The Literature Festival

Year 2 were very lucky to get tickets to two events this year. Firstly, we watched Gareth P Jones perform his new trilogy of books about the Steampunk Pirates through song and drama. He was hugely entertaining and Cameron B was brave enough to get up on stage to take part in one of the scenes. I think all the children were in awe of his ukulele playing! Our second act was a lady called Katrice Horsley who is a storyteller. She had a suitcase of props and made up a story which kept us completely entertained. The children were wonderfully behaved in very seasonal weather. Thank you to all the parents who helped out on the day.





Spotlight

Lilly R in Year 3 will be the weathergirl on Heart Radio for the whole of next week. Good luck Lilly, we look forward to hearing your weather forecasts.



Curriculum Enrichment Day - Friday 2 October - Rugby World Cup Day

Last Friday Grangefield celebrated the Rugby World Cup by taking part in a range of cultural and sporting activities throughout the day. The day started with an assembly where Mr Allard showed videos of the history of the Rugby World Cup. The video showed rugby players speaking about the core values of the Rugby World Cup and this linked in nicely with how they

Well done to last week's Super Achievers, they have each earned a certificate and 10 Owl Merits for their Owl Group

RI	Jack and Victoria Alfie and Yug	
RM		
Year 1	Soham and Lily	
Year 2	Lucille and Leo I	
Year 3	Elia and Alfie	
Year 4	Oliver and Emilia	
Year 5	Tilly and Sam	
Year 6	Eve and Ollie	

relate to our School Games Values and our School Values. The children were asked to dress in red or white tops to make a large flag of St. George. The pictures were shown in last week's newsletter. After assembly the children went back to class to find out about the country that they had been assigned. Reception practised their rugby skills in the hall

whilst learning about Canada. Y1 learned about Argentina, using maps to find the country and created their own fact file using Purple Mash. Y3 & Y5 children learned dances from South Africa and Samoa respectively, whilst Y3 focused on the French culture. Y4 & Y6 learned about Japan and New Zealand, focusing on art. The afternoon was a carousel of different activities based around rugby skills, the children worked in their owl groups and the Y6 children led their groups through the activities. It really was a fabulous day enjoyed by all. Lots more photos can be found on our website under Year Groups/owl groups and Galleries/Curriculum and Events.









Harvest Performance - 16 October 2015 - 2pm start

You are all invited to share in our Harvest Thanksgiving next Friday afternoon. It will be an hour of music performed by children in their Owl Groups, Reception classes and the school choir. If you are able to donate a tin or packet of dried goods (please bring into school either Thursday or Friday) we will be supporting our local food bank.

E-Safety

Earlier today we emailed you an e-Safety Newsletter with a link to a survey and a new e-safety form. Can you please read both documents, complete the survey and return a copy of the completed form (for each child) as soon as possible. Copies of the form can be obtained from the office, if you are unable to print the document. If you didn't get an email from us, please check with the office that we have your correct email address.

PE Kit

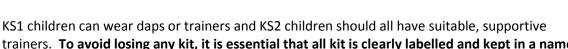
As we move towards winter Mr Allard wanted to remind you that Grangefield PE kit can be purchased from School Togs in Cheltenham. The following items are part of the Grangefield P.E. kit:

Boys

- Green T-shirt with Grangefield Badge
- Green Jumper with Grangefield Badge
- Navy Blue shorts and/or jogging bottoms
- White socks

Girls

- Green T-shirt with Grangefield Badge
- Green Jumper with Grangefield Badge
- Navy Blue shorts/skort and/or jogging bottoms
- White socks



trainers. To avoid losing any kit, it is essential that all kit is clearly labelled and kept in a named Grangefield P.E. bag.

Cheltenham Schools Cross Country League

Grangefield took a team of boys and girls to St Edwards Prep School yesterday for the first race of this year's cross country league. The children have been training extremely hard in PE lessons and at Fitness club and the children's hard work certainly paid off! Putting everything into the event, they achieved some outstanding results with a number personal bests being smashed. A fantastic effort by all involved and big thank you to all the parents who transported and supported the team!

Girls' Race	Place	Boys' Race	Place
Eve M	3 rd	Damian M	14 th
Sienna D	20 th	Oliver T	24 th
Isabella W	36 th	Connor H	26 th
Imogen S	42 nd	Zak W	31 st
Milly F	53 rd	Vaughn B	61 st
Evie S	52 nd	Charlie A	69 th
Tilly C-P	79 th	Fletcher S	77 th
Charlotte G	100 th	Lewis C	103 rd
		Jamie D	134 th







Reminders

• The nits are doing their rounds again and we have lots of children scratching their heads. Please have a check over the weekend.

Community

- Promenade Productions Young Promenaders present Alice the Musical at the Parabola Arts Centre on 19-20
 October 2015 at 7pm. Some of our previous school children are staring in the show. Tickets are £10 for an adult and £6 for a child and can be bought from Showcase 01242 224144.
- See the following website with details of the Vulcan flying over Staverton Airport this Sunday pm. http://www.vulcantothesky.org/news/710/82/Latest-on-National-Tour.html
- On Saturday the 7 November between 10 am and 3 pm the "Golden Valley Kite Fliers" will be raising money for Children in Need parachuting Teddy bears in the Naive of Gloucester Cathedral. Pudsey will be putting in an appearance about 11.30 am and then at 2 pm. Children and Adults are invited to bring their teddy's or soft toy for a trip of a lifetime. Their teddy or soft toy will be fitted with a parachute, attached on a special winch raising them high up in the Naive of Gloucester cathedral where they will then be released to float down on a parachute back into the owners' arms. They are asking for a donation for every teddy that takes this memorable trip.

Enjoy your weekend. Mrs Lewis/Mrs Freeman