



**Grangefield School**  
*Flying high. Spreading our wings.*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Date	Activity	Date	Activity
16 Dec	FOGs Christmas Disco at St Michael's Church Hall	4 Jan	Inset Day (no children)
20 Dec	End of Term 2 – 2pm finish	5 Jan	Term 3 Begins

This is our last newsletter this term. We would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas. We hoped you enjoyed the children's concerts at the Church this week. The atmosphere was very special and we hope one which the children will remember. Just a reminder that we break up at 2pm on Tuesday next week and we look forward to welcoming children back on Thursday 5 January 2017.



**Thanks to FOGS**  
 On behalf of all the staff and children I would like to express my most sincere thanks to FOGs for their incredible work in raising thousands of pounds for the school. Not only are they raising large amounts of money but they bring with them a lovely camaraderie and all the events they have organised have been outstanding. Mrs Lewis

**Well done to the last weeks Super Achievers who have each earned a certificate and 10 Owl Merits for their Owl Group**

Reception	Ethan, Talia, Sienna and Alfie
Year 1	Emy, Alfie, Grace and Evie
Year 2	Leo and Thomas
Year 3	Alfie and Tia
Year 4	Lily and Elizabeth
Year 5	Callum and Hollye
Year 6	Sam and Jasper

## Design a Poster Competition

Thank you to everyone who designed a poster highlighting the awareness of being safe around the school whilst the building work is being carried out. Congratulations to the following winners who won a prize and a certificate from Speller Metcalfe:

<b>Reception A</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Josh 2 <sup>nd</sup> Elowen 3 <sup>rd</sup> Poppy	<b>Reception B</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Lottie 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sienna 3 <sup>rd</sup> Michael	<b>Year 1 A</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Victoria 2 <sup>nd</sup> Willow 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jack	<b>Year 1 B</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Palak 2 <sup>nd</sup> Imogen 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gabriel	<b>Year 2</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Phoebe 2 <sup>nd</sup> Emily 3 <sup>rd</sup> Soham
<b>Year 3</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Evie 2 <sup>nd</sup> Alfie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sofia	<b>Year 4</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Elizabeth 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lily H 3 <sup>rd</sup> Liam	<b>Year 5</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Callum 2 <sup>nd</sup> Milly 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tilly	<b>Year 6</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Tilly 2 <sup>nd</sup> Josh 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dolly	

## Tree of hands

A big thank you to Mrs Kempster and her mum for decorating one of the temporary walls in the hall with children's hand prints. It took a lot of time to cut out all of the hand prints and as you can see, it looks fabulous.

## Year 1 – A stroll down Pudding Lane

Year 1 have made some brilliant houses. On Monday they are recreating Pudding Lane, where the fire of London started. The teachers will then try to reenact the fire starting.



## Curriculum evenings

Thank you all for your feedback regarding this year's curriculum evenings. We had really positive feedback and will continue to use your feedback to improve the evenings in coming years. We hope by working together we can enhance your child's learning experience. Just a quick reminder, there are a few Y5 and Y6 CGP books awaiting collection. If these could be collected by the end of this term it would be appreciated. Thank you for your continued support. Grangefield Staff.

## **FOGS Disco**

With just one more FOGS event for this year, our Christmas Disco's are taking place this evening. Just a reminder that the disco is on tonight at St Michael's Church Hall: **Reception/KS1 – 6-7pm and KS2 – 7.15-8.15pm. You can pay on the door if you don't have a ticket.** I also wanted to share with you some festive cheer. The various Christmas events (Winter Fair, cards, tea-towels and canvas bags) have raised almost £2,000 for our spending pot! That is truly amazing and it's all thanks to you. Without the continuous support from our many volunteers, the teaching staff and most importantly the parents and families of all the Grangefield children, we couldn't achieve this. Your support throughout this year has been incredible. THANK YOU. May we take this opportunity to wish you a merry and festive Christmas from all the Friends of Grangefield School. Mrs Pewtner

## **Grangefield Sports Round - Autumn Term**

The football team made a very poor start to the season losing 5-1 and then 12-2 to Oakwood and St Johns respectively. However, with lots of effort and hard work the team managed to change their fortunes. This started in the Albert Dix tournament where the team narrowly missed out on qualifying for the second round. This proved to be a spring board for the rest of the season with the team going on a 3 game winning streak resulting in them qualifying for the final group stages of the competition. They will now face Greatfield, Gretton and St Johns for a place in the final in March. The Autumn term also saw the B Team and Girls' team play their first fixtures putting into practise the skills practised every Monday at football club. It has been a great season so far with all children given the chance to represent the school before Christmas.

## **Cross Country**

The Cross Country team have had a very enjoyable first term with lots of children having the opportunity to represent the school. Two teams of 24 ran a competitive race at the two X-Country League fixtures with some children managing to finish in a very strong top 20 on both occasions. The children also competed in a local cluster meet and finished in second place. This combined points earned in the boys and girls race, as well as a hoop race. The children were proud of finishing second but were disappointed not to retain the trophy.

With lots of children representing the school for the first time this year, we were very happy with the effort and attitude displayed by every team member. There have been numerous acts of sportsmanship displayed this term, both to one another and to other schools, which is something they should be very proud of.

Attendance to fitness club has been very impressive with around fifty children participating. The children have enjoyed the variety of tasks provided and have shown high levels of commitment and effort throughout. We hope to take this positive attitude in to future X-Country fixtures.

## **Netball**

The Netball team have made a fantastic start to the season winning 24-0 against Springbank School. The children have worked extremely hard during training sessions to develop their skills and Mrs Phillips is already struggling to pick the team for the next match as so many children in the club will be representing the school in the New Year. Our next four fixtures are as follows: Tuesday 17th January against Warden Hill, Tuesday 24th January against Gloucester Road, Tuesday 7th February against Oakwood and finally Tuesday 21st February against Glenfall. Letters will go out to the selected teams in January.

Additionally, we have had many fantastic sports club running this term with a huge number of children turning out each week and achieving their extend awards. Letters for sports clubs in the spring term will be given out in the first week back after Christmas.

A huge thank you to both staff and parents for all of your continued support this term. We look forward to seeing you all in 2017 for another amazing sporting year. Mr Allard

### **School dinners**

Either today or Monday you should receive a copy of the menu for next term. Please note that on the first Monday the food is Meatballs in Tomato sauce and not Meatballs in Gravy. Also where it mentions jacket potatoes with salmon, it will be jacket potatoes with tuna.

### **Community**

- If you are interested in your child dancing, Elin is running children's dance classes on Saturday mornings at St Michael's Church Hall. For more information please contact Elin on 076452531 or email her on [elinwithey@gmail.com](mailto:elinwithey@gmail.com)
- There will be a children's disco at the Kings Head pub in Bishops Cleeve on Sunday 18 December, two sessions: 2-4pm and 4.30-6.30pm. Tickets available from the pub, £4 a ticket and that entitles children to meet Santa, a present, hotdog and a drink.

Have a festive weekend.

Mrs Lewis/Mrs Freeman