

Date	Activity	Date	Activity
12 Jan	Reception 2022 Open Morning	26 May	Term 5 Ends
18 Feb	Term 3 Ends	27 May	Inset Day
28 Feb	Term 4 Starts	6 June	Term 6 Starts
8 April	Term 4 Ends: 2pm finish	6-10 June	Year 6 PGL – Liddington, Swindon
25 April	Term 5 Starts	20 July	Term 6 Ends: 2pm finish
w/c 9 May	Year 6 SATS – all Yr6s must attend	21 July	Inset Day

**Welcome back to school!** We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year! Congratulations to Mr Spicer and his wife on the birth of their daughter, Matilda, just before the Christmas Holidays.

### COVID

We are still continuing to see cases within the school and wider community. Please continue to be vigilant in order to prevent further possible transmission. We continue to kindly ask, and please note this is voluntary, to carry out lateral flow tests on your children, in case they are asymptomatic. Government guidance is changing regularly at the moment, with regards to isolation periods and follow-up PCR tests, please check the Government or NHS website for the latest details. As well as the classic COVID symptoms, symptoms such as runny nose, upset stomach, headache, fatigue and sore throat are also being reported. We are also aware of re-infection cases. Please report any COVID absences to [admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk) using COVID in the subject book.

### Absences

When reporting absences, please report them to either [admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk) or 01242 671003 in the first instance. You can still message teachers on Class Dojo or Tapestry, but please be aware that the teachers will not always look at messages prior to school.

### Reception 2022 Intake

Please be aware that the deadline for submitting the application form for school places for Reception 2022 is Saturday 15 January 2022. Please remind friends and family members, if they have a child due to start school in September.

We are planning on holding our final Open Morning on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 9:30, to reduce numbers, we request that only one parent attends and that no children are brought along. Masks should also be worn whilst on the school grounds. This is subject to change; a final decision will be made on Tuesday 11 January. Please check website, prior to attending.

### Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears the correct school or PE uniform every day. Information about the school uniform can be found at <https://grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk/uniform/> If there are any issues with your child's uniform, please contact your child's teacher. We have variety of spare uniform available, if needed please contact the office.

### School Dinners

Key Stage 2 parents – please make sure you pay your dinner money regularly. We are no longer able to let the total debt go beyond £10 and if this does happen you will need to bring in a packed lunch for your child until the debt is paid. If you feel that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, you can check on this website: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

### Football Kit

If your child took part in any School Football team fixtures last term, and you still have kit at home, please can you return it to school.

## Blue Card

Congratulations to Autumn Term 2 Blue Cards

BLUE CARD – Autumn Term 2	
Reception	Summer and Jaxton
Year 1	Cicily and Josie
Year 2	Miya and Mason
Year 3	Hazelle and Arabella
Year 4	Holly and Antoni
Year 5	Emma and Tommie
Year 6	Aubern and Pippa

## Grangefield Junior Library

We have been busy ordering a multitude of new, exciting books from recommended reading lists to add to our junior library. The majority of these new books are to add to the MY (Middle Years) section of our library. The children have been reminded to check carefully when selecting a new reading book as new titles have been and will continue to be added.



If you having a new year clear out and find any good quality books at home that you think we may be able to add to our library, please donate them at the office.

It may be worth checking whether they can be used as part of our Accelerated Reader scheme by entering the book title on the following website: [www.arbookfind.co.uk](http://www.arbookfind.co.uk)

## External Sports Clubs

Tom from NE14 Tennis will be back again this term offering Tennis to Year 1 and 2 and American Flag Football to Year 4, 5 and 6. Please see flyers below for further details:

**BALLERS**  
USA SPORTS CAMP

**AMERICAN FLAG FOOTBALL CLUB** AT GRANGEFIELD

WINTER > SPRING 2022

YEARS 4, 5 & 6: THURSDAYS  
£50 PER CHILD

**INFORMATION**

**FAST, FURIOUS & FUN!**  
FLAG FOOTBALL IS A NON-CONTACT VERSION OF THE EXTREMELY EXCITING AND EYE-CATCHING SPORT.

DURING THE COURSE PLAYERS WILL:  
LEARN THE RULES  
IMPROVE TECHNIQUE  
DEVELOP ATTACKING TACTICS  
DEVELOP DEFENDING STRATEGIES  
BUILD TEAMWORK SKILLS

**GPS COURSE INFO**  
YEARS 4, 5 & 6  
DAYS THURSDAYS  
STARTS JAN 13  
ENDS APR 7  
MAXIMUM 20 PLACES  
£50 PER CHILD

BOOK ONLINE TODAY!  
[WWW.NE14TENNIS.CO.UK/BALLERS](http://WWW.NE14TENNIS.CO.UK/BALLERS)

**TENNIS CLUB**  
AT GRANGEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
LTA ACCREDITED COACH ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

**LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS!**

YEAR 1 & 2 TENNIS CLUB  
FRIDAYS 3:15PM - 4:30PM  
STARTS 14TH JANUARY  
ENDS 8TH APRIL

COST: £50 10 LESSONS PLACES: 24

TO BOOK PLEASE VISIT  
[WWW.NE14TENNIS.CO.UK/SCHOOLS](http://WWW.NE14TENNIS.CO.UK/SCHOOLS)  
FOR MORE INFO CALL TOM: 07828 241592

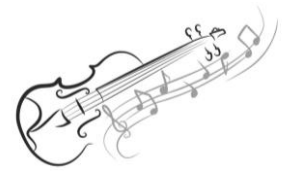
Andy Tucker Football will also be returning for Year 1 and 2. They are also looking into the possible of some sessions for Year 3 and 4 too. Please see <https://www.atsocccercamps.co.uk/pages/andy-tucker> for further details.

## Vacancy

Caterlink have a vacancy within our School Kitchen for a kitchen assistant. The hours are Monday to Friday, 11:00 – 13:30 (12.5hrs per week). If you are interested, please contact the school and we will pass your details onto Debbie in the kitchen.

## Music Tuition

There are a few places available for violin lessons in school from January 2022 for Year 4 and above. If you would like more information, please contact Mrs Laura Tasney, the violin tutor, at [tasneystings@gmail.com](mailto:tasneystings@gmail.com)



## General Housekeeping

- As it is now getting colder, please ensure that your child brings in hat, gloves etc., to wear whilst playing outside.
- Please ensure that you let us know if you have any changes to your address, mobile phone numbers, email addresses or personal details so that we can keep our database up to date.
- Please ensure all your child's belongings are clearly labelled.
- If your child is interested in having CoolMilk, please register by 5pm on a Tuesday to have milk from the following Monday. You can register on the website <https://www.coolmilk.com/> If your child is entitled to Benefit based Free School Meals – please contact the office
- If your child is being picked up by another parent or adult regularly, please give a list of people you are happy for your child to go home with to your teacher.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Lewis

## Community Board

A poster for 'Hockey Heroes' featuring two children in red and blue hockey kits on a green field. The background is red with silhouettes of hockey players. The text reads: 'HOCKEY HEROES A HERO IN EVERY KID A FUN WELCOMING PROGRAMME FOR ALL CHILDREN AGED 5 - 8 TO TRY HOCKEY AND TO DEVELOP BOTH THEIR PHYSICAL AND CHARACTER SUPERPOWERS FIND OUT MORE: hockeyheroes.co.uk Delivered by Cheltenham Junior Hockey Club Starts Sat 5 March at Cheltenham Ladies' College 10.00 - 11.00 / Book online at hockeyheroes.co.uk ENGLAND HOCKEY'.

A poster for 'Upgrade Your Maths' with a blue background and a circular graphic of a clock face with a pencil. The text reads: 'Adult Education in Gloucestershire Upgrade Your Maths A free\* course for parents/carers or grandparents to build their own skills and help them support their children in school The tutor, Richard, will explain the building blocks of maths • Take the stress out of maths homework • Boost your children's maths skills • Refresh your own skills Thursdays 10:00-12:00 20 January- 17 February If you worry about maths this course is for you! This course can lead towards a Functional Skills Maths Qualification The course will be delivered via Zoom To book a place please email [fay.tucker@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:fay.tucker@gloucestershire.gov.uk) \* The course is free if you are over 19 years old, have lived in the UK for 3 or more years, or have a valid Residence Permit, and are one of the following: Unemployed or earning below £17,374 per year; Qualified below a Level 2 (less than 5 GCSEs); Have mental health challenges; Have a learning difficulty or disability.' Logos for Adult Education in Gloucestershire, Gloucestershire County Council, and other partners are at the bottom.