

Date	Activity
Thursdays	Year 5 Swimming lessons until Easter
19 Feb	Term 4 Begins
23 Feb	Choir Trip to Young Voices Concert
26 Feb	Reception Stay and Play 2:15pm
29 Feb	Year 3 Trip to Cadbury World
29 Feb	Cross Country 4pm (Selected Y5/6)
7 March	World Book Day—details below
7 March	Cross Country 4pm (Selected Y5/6 boys)
8 March	Cross Country 4pm (Selected Y5/6 girls)
13&14 Mar	Height & Weight (Yr R & 6) / Vision Checks (Yr R)
18 March	RockSteady Concert 2:30pm
22 March	Term 4 Ends: 2pm finish
8 April	Inset Day
9 April	Term 5 Begins
16 April	Bag 2 School Event
w/c 13 May	Year 6 SATS (all Year 6 children MUST attend)
20-24 May	Y6 Residential to Grittleton House Adventure
24 May	Term 5 Ends
3 June	Term 6 Starts
19 July	Term 6 Ends: 2pm finish
22 July	Inset Day
21-25 Oct	Y6 Residential to Grittleton House Adventure
New Event or Change of Date/Time	
FOGS Event	

School Trips

Year 3 - Cadbury World

Please see letter sent home for details of the day.

Year 6 Residential May 2024

We are nearing the date of the Year 6 Residential, with just over 100 days to go. Final details are being made and last payments need to be paid, so please check your ParentPay accounts for your balances, and make payments. Please contact your class teacher or school office, if you have any concerns or queries. Please can medical forms be returned by 26th February.

Year 5 – Year 6 Residential October 2024

Please can all permission slips and any outstanding deposits be paid prior to the end of February, so we can make any adjustments with Grittleton House Adventure Centre.

Year 5 – Swimming

Please check ParentPay for your coach balance.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you all. Mrs Kay (Phase Leader and Year 4A teacher) has been appointed as our acting deputy headteacher. She will begin this new role after the Easter holidays. We will provide further updates on how her teaching responsibilities will be covered in due course.

Catering

We have had some previous comments from parents regarding the catering on offer here at Grangefield. In order for us to get a greater view of the catering, we have created a feedback form for you to complete with your child. The feedback form can be found here—[Catering Feedback](#)

Drop off and Pick Up

Children should not be running around the paths of the school and weaving between cars whilst waiting for the gates to open.

Play equipment around the playground and on the astroturf should not be used at the end of the school day, this includes the gym equipment by the bike sheds.

Please ensure that you stick to the paths during drop off and pick up times, as cars are still accessing the car park during these times.

The **BIG BATTERY HUNT** is a nationwide recycling challenge, inspiring pupils to power change across their schools and wider communities.



Our 'Grangefield Going Green' committee have been busy counting the batteries that you have all donated to school to be recycled.

So far we have collected 2850 batteries!!!

Please keep donating your used batteries so that we can recycle them.

WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2024



We are starting to get excited about the upcoming 'World Book Day' on Thursday 7th March.

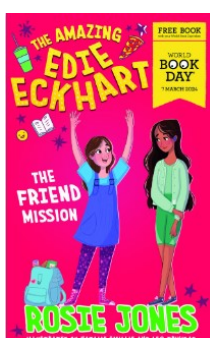
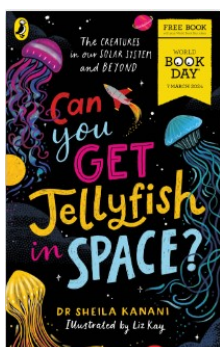
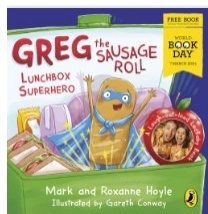
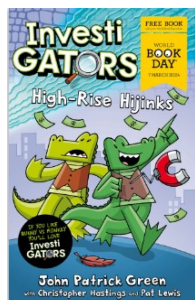
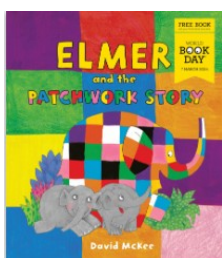
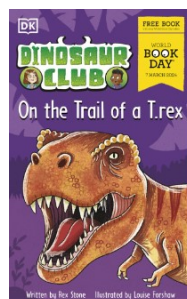
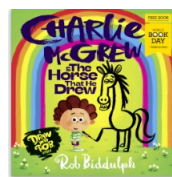
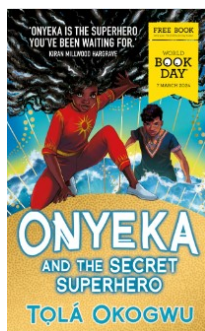
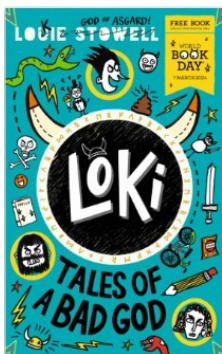
This year at Grangefield School, we will be enjoying, 'Cosy World Book Day'.

The children can come to school in their cosy nightwear / clothes ready to enjoy a day of reading opportunities. They can also bring their favourite book into school for the day (please make sure it has their name in it).

Get your cosy clothes and your favourite book ready so we can all enjoy, 'Cosy World Book Day' together.

£1 book tokens will also be given to the children to them to purchase one of the World Book Day books or have £1 off a book of their choice.

Selection of the World Book Day books available



Spring Clean your Bookshelves

If you have received new books for Christmas, please consider having a clear out of your old books and donating them to school.

This not only makes room for the new books but helps to keep our library full of new and interesting titles.

We would also welcome donations of magazines for children such as Aquilla, This Week Jr, Lego, National Geographic for Kids, Whizz-Pop Bang, Science and Nature and so on.

The children particularly enjoy series of books, so if you have any of these that you have finished, we would greatly appreciate them.

Also a plea for any school library reading books, please check under beds, in the washing bin, under the dog bed, behind the sofa etc. Thank you.



Friends of Grangefield Corner

Easter Trial

Watch this space for details of our fun Easter Trail—coming soon.

Bag 2 School

Bag 2 School is back on **Tuesday 16th April**.

Have a Easter holiday clear out and help raise funds for the school. Bag 2 School will collect donations of good quality clothing and accessories, weigh them, send a cheque and re-distribute your donations.

See Bag 2 School poster for more information.

FOGS Friendship Disco

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the disco. It was great to see the children enjoying themselves and having so much fun with their friends.

We will let you know how much has been raised when it has been counted.

Easyfundraising

Easyfundraising is quite literally that! A really easy way to raise funds without doing anything or it costing you anything extra. Sign up at www.easyfundraising.org.uk select Friends of Grangefield School and you're all set. If you enable donation reminders then every time you visit a website, it will let you know if they are part of the easyfundraising scheme. You just shop online as you usually would and the retailer will donate a % back to FOGS. It is really easy.

FOGS Shed

Now the family of mice have moved out and the wasps nest has gone, we are nearly ready to replace the FOGS shed with something more durable and long lasting. But we could really do with a little expert advice to make sure it's the right thing.

If you have any experience in garden out-buildings, we would love to hear from you and would be so grateful for your help. Please drop us an email at grangefieldpta@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk

Thank you!

The Parent Book Swap Shop

The Parent Book Swap Shop is bursting with lots of amazing books. Don't forget to take a look at drop off or pick up. It is located just along from the Main Entrance (the old Children's Entrance) to the school and is always unlocked so make sure you pay it a visit.

BAG 2 SCHOOL
FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS
In partnership with your school or organisation



Grangefield School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.
(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 16th April 2024 by 9am

01609 780 222 www.bag2school.com helpdesk@bag2school.com



20th GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER

of the Year 2024

We invite all Gloucestershire pupils to enter **ONE** Image - **any subject**

PRIMARY & SECONDARY AWARDS

FIRST PRIZE £70

& RUNNER UP CASH PRIZES

BEST SECONDARY & PRIMARY ENTRY

GYP TROPHY



For further information ask your teacher or visit:
www.cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk

email: GYP@cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk



All **SELECTED IMAGES** will be cinema projected at the **AWARDS** evening

CHELTENHAM PLAYHOUSE GL53 7HG

Thursday April 25th

Please submit your entry to your school representative before the closing date

*Organised by Cheltenham Camera Club
Supported by Cheltenham Arts Council
& University of Gloucestershire*

Please send your entries for the attention of Mrs Migliaccio via email admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk



THE CRYPT SCHOOL
Open Morning
Wednesday 20th March

Welcome to Gloucester's only co-educational grammar school, with a proud and distinguished history stretching back to 1539.

Our Open Morning (9.30am and 11.30am timeslots) offers visitors the opportunity to experience what The Crypt School has to offer – a supportive and inclusive environment with modern teaching facilities, a strong pastoral system and a wide ranging enrichment and extra-curricular programme which enables our diverse student body to flourish.

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The Library

World Book Day
Costume Swap

5 February - 19 February
 DONATE a costume to any library

19 February - 7 March
 SWAP an old costume for a new one!

What's On at the Library Guide: We also have a range of upcoming events for both children and adults at our sites across the county. Events are open to everyone, membership isn't required. Our January—March dates can be found here in this online magazine: [What's On at The Library January—March 2024 by Gloucestershire Libraries—Issuu](#)

THE JOHN MOORE MUSEUM
 NATURAL HISTORY | HERITAGE | LIVING VOICES

February Half Term
Crafts

Wednesday 14th
and
Thursday 15th
February
 10am-12 midday

Come along and make light and floaty Japanese fish kites, constructed of paper and cardboard.



TICKETS
 £1 donation per child is appreciated.

BOOKING
 Drop in on the day or
 Call 01684 297174 or email
education@johnmooremuseum.org

