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Dear Grange Community,

It has been a wonderful 7 weeks of deep learning and powerful progress at Grange this half-term. We have used this half-term meaningfully to help children settle into their new classes and feel safe and positive.

We have focussed on 3 key character strengths:

Bravery: Showing up and making a good start

Perseverance: Keeping going and not giving up

Self-regulation: Calming oneself when things get challenging and then resetting to start again back on track

This is all related to PB power (Personal Best).

We are aiming to help the children learn that the most important competition is with oneself, to set out to continuously develop and improve oneself and to achieve this by doing one's best.

After the half-term, we are introducing a lunchtime 'play is for everyone' project with lots of options for children to choose from, such as visits to the peace garden and meditative walks and arts and crafts. We are hoping that this will engage the children and help them to learn constructive ways to fill their time positively.

Football pitches will also be on a rota to help deal peacefully with the passion for football which sometimes makes children forget the consideration part of the CC way.

Learning to live together peacefully is one of the most important lessons that can be learnt from school and I am proud of our children and families of Grange for the way we respect each other and live harmoniously. When things do go awry, we set out to sort out problems in the most constructive and restorative way possible.

Thank you for the wonderful feedback from the parent surveys.

Wishing everyone a brilliant half-term!

CC salute and be great; Be GRANGE



CC Salute
Mr Kerbel
Headteacher
Grange

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Year 5 Step Back in Time at the Imperial War Museum!

Bob Marley and Truth Classes Explore the History of World War I

Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic educational visit to the Imperial War Museum in London, bringing their learning about World War I to life!

Travelling by train, the children were full of excitement and curiosity as they prepared to explore the museum's fascinating exhibitions.

As soon as they entered, they were amazed by the incredible collection of historical artefacts, including fighter planes, tanks, submarines, weapons and military equipment.

One of the highlights was exploring the World War I galleries, where pupils discovered what life was like for soldiers during the war. They were particularly fascinated by the recreated trenches, which helped them imagine the difficult conditions soldiers experienced.

Jibreel recalled:

"There was a model of a trench and my group went inside it. I even put on a helmet, and it was very heavy!"





Ranuthi, shared:

"My favourite part was the bombs that were sent by special aircraft. I would definitely recommend going there!"

The children also explored interactive displays, listened to recordings of aircraft and discovered fascinating facts about wartime history.

***Hadi** was particularly impressed by the German torpedo and the collection of aircraft. He shared:*

"It was amazing! For every weapon we discovered, there was an information book telling us all about it. I would give it a solid 4.75 out of 5!"

Kaarunya *enjoyed discovering the miniature displays showing soldiers and wartime scenes. She reflected on how much she had learnt about the war and the lives of those involved.*

Throughout the visit, pupils demonstrated excellent curiosity, enthusiasm and a real interest in history. They asked thoughtful questions, explored new information and developed a greater understanding of the sacrifices made during wartime.

Back in school, the children were eager to share their experiences and wrote wonderful letters to friends and family, describing their favourite moments and recommending the museum to others.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 5 historians for their enthusiasm, curiosity and love of learning!

A huge thank you to all the staff and parent volunteers who helped make this memorable learning experience possible.

What a wonderful way to bring history to life!

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December

Events & Performance

Tuesday 8th — Reindeers Visit
8:30am - 2:30pm

Wednesday 9th — Y2-4 Music Concert
8:45-9:30am in KS2 Hall

Thursday 10th — Irock Concert
9:00 - 9:30am in KS2 Hall

Grange Welcome Gathering
12:40 - 15:10pm in Conference Room

Friday 11th — Y5-6 Violin Concert
8:45 - 9:30am in KS2 Hall

Wednesday 16th — Nativity Performance to Parents
9:00 -10:00am in KS2 Hall

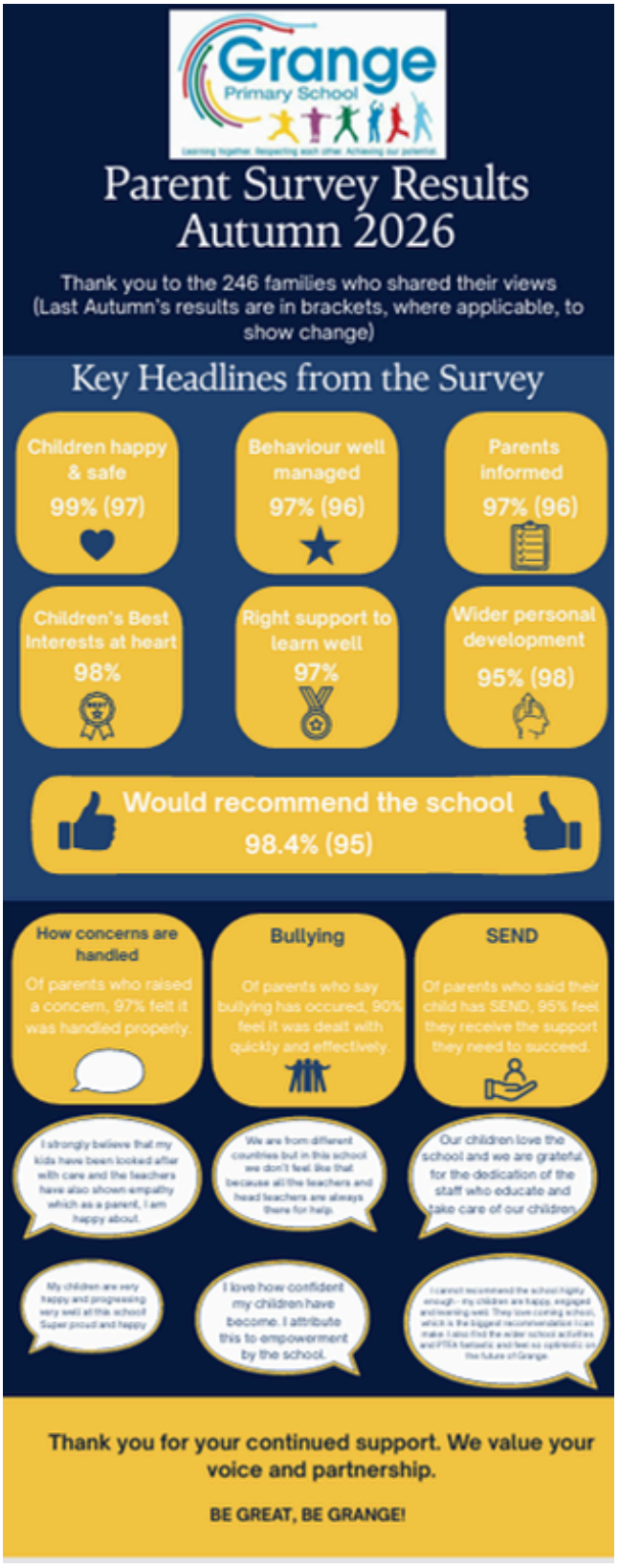
Thursday 17th — Christmas Grotto & Christmas Fair
9:00am - 3:50pm

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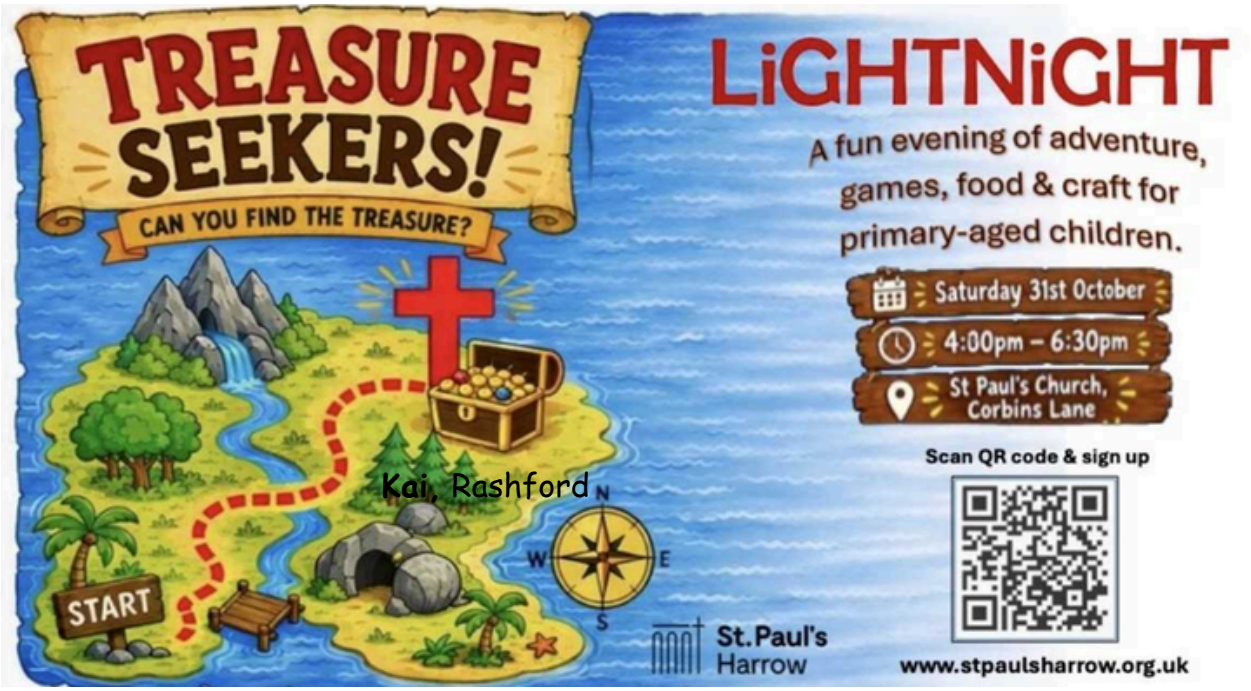






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Kai, Rashford





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Grange Super Spellers!



Well done to ....



- Esma, Bob Marley
- Aamaya, Greta
- Kai Rashford
- Dhani, Turing
- Maisam, Cervantes
- Dwijj, Rashford
- Qasim, Rashford
- Sofia, Greta
- Nectaria, Laurentiu
- Hannah, Laurentiu

For being our top 10 Super Spellers this week!

To be in with the chance of being a super speller, log into Spelling Shed and practise your spelling!

Headteacher Hot Chocolate Heroes

Children from Years 3- 6 have been selected for the Headteacher's Hot Chocolate session for making brilliant CC choices this past week

Noku
Amair
Kulsang
Antonia
Ranuthi
Ansam
Tirth
Dhani
Taibah





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GRANGE DATES 2026

November

Monday 2nd	INSET DAY No school for children
Tuesday 3rd	• School Re-Opens for all children • **PTFA Fireworks Night**
Wednesday 4th	Swimming & Water Safety Session for Parents 9:00-10:00am in MfL Room
Wednesday 11th	Y3-6 Parent Reading Workshop 8:45-9:30am in KS2 Hall
Thursday 12th	Diwali Workshop & Traditional Mufti Day
Monday 16th	Y2 Mary Seacole Workshop
Wednesday 18th	Flu Vaccination (Reception - Y6)
Thursday 19th	• Y3 British Museum Trip Y1 Performance - Festivals of Light (Parents invited)
Tuesday 24th	Y4 Science Museum Trip



HAIF -TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 26th October - Monday 2nd November

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