

## **GRANGE STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**

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## Radio Grange: From Vision to Reality – A Student Council Success Story

Two years ago, the Grange Student Council embarked on a transformative journey to unite the school community through a unique platform: Radio Grange. With a vision to create a space for music, announcements, and creative expression, the council presented their ambitious idea to Orley Farm's funding initiative. Their dedication and determination secured a £1,000 grant, which provided the equipment needed to bring their vision to life.



Today, Radio Grange is becoming an integral part of school life, fostering connection and creativity through music, announcements, and event entertainment. Most recently, it reached new heights with the Student Council's first-ever Christmas discos, held for the entire school.

The discos were a resounding success. Pupils across all year groups gathered for an unforgettable afternoon filled with dancing, party games, and festive fun.

The Student Council played a pivotal role in planning and executing the event, ensuring that every detail was covered. From teaching younger pupils dance moves to organising games and maintaining an energetic atmosphere, their enthusiasm and hard work made the event a highlight of the school year.

Reflecting on the occasion, Mr. Kerbel, our Headteacher, said: "The kids and parents at the gate on the Welbeck side were all smiling and talking about it as they left—it was a massive highlight. For me, seeing Caleb with his glasses on the deck was wonderful."



The joy and excitement were palpable. One pupil summed up the event perfectly, exclaiming, "When will we do another disco? That was the best time ever!" The smiles on the children's faces and their excitement spoke volumes about the impact of the event.

Reflecting on the success, Miss Fernandes, PE Lead, shared her thoughts: "The disco was great. I personally enjoyed myself. The Student Council made a great effort to get all the children involved, up and dancing. They were very encouraging and motivating for our children."

A huge thank you goes out to Orley Farm for supporting the dream of Radio Grange and providing the foundation to make it a reality. You not only helped build Radio Grange but also made this event—and many others—truly unforgettable.

Also, thanks must also go to our amazing PTA, who transformed the hall with beautiful Christmas decorations for the disco, following a hugely successful Christmas Fair the day before.

The festivities included Santa's Grotto, where every child received a Christmas gift, organised by Mrs. Joshi.

Many of the gifts were generously donated by the Metropolitan Police and local businesses, reflecting the strong community spirit that supports our school.

Together, the Grange community has created something extraordinary. From the Student Council's leadership to the unwavering support of our PTA, staff, and local contributors, this festive season has been one to remember.

Congratulations to everyone involved in making it such a memorable time for the pupils at Grange!