**Year 1 News – Spring 1 2024-2025**

Welcome back to Year 1! We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and a ready to spring into 2025.

This term we are wondering **How Can We Get There?**

We will be linking this to our History and Design Technology learning challenges. We will be learning about how travel and transport has changed throughout time and having a try at designing, making and testing our own vehicles. We are also very lucky to be able to have an exciting transport visiting.

**Our Weekly Timetable**

We try to keep our timetable consistent to help those children (and staff) who like routine, but this can change for special events or other circumstances – we will give you as much notice as possible to these changes

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|  | Session1  9.00-9.45 | Session2  9.45-10.30 | Break And Snack | Session3  10.45-11.45 | Lunch | Session4  1.00-2.30 | Session5  2.30-3.00 |
| Monday | Phonics | Maths | English | Topic- Science | Gold Assembly |
| Tuesday | Phonics | Maths | English | Topic- DT | |
| Wednesday | Phonics | Maths | English | PE | Music |
| Thursday | Phonics | Maths | English | Topic – Humanities | Skills Assembly |
| Friday | Assembly | PSHE | Workshops | Golden Time | Storytime |

**Ready Set Go…**

As you can see our timetable is full of lots of learning opportunities for the children, so it is essential that they arrive ready to learn and equipped for their day.

We open the gates from 8.35 – 8.45 for an arrival window. Our school day starts at 8.45 and any child arriving after this time must sign in at the office.

Every day your child will need: (please ensure everything is clearly named)

* School uniform – see our uniform policy for guidance
* Book bag with their reading record and reading book
* A season suitable coat and hat (just in case the weather changes during the day)
* A water bottle and optional healthy snack – fruit is provided by school every day
* Library book – we change this on Mondays
* PE kit on Wednesdays – please remember no earrings are permitted for PE days
* PE kit can also be worn for sporting workshops and afterschool sports club days

**Keeping in Touch**

Staff are always available on the playgrounds before and afterschool to answer questions, pass on messages or information about your child. Alternatively you can contact us via WEDUC or our school email [enquiries@grange.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@grange.derbyshire.sch.uk). If you would like a longer chat with one of us you can contact the office or catch us on the playground to book an afterschool meeting.

**The Year 1 team:**

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| Jennie Ruddle | Katie Whittaker2 | Emily Swann2 | KH | Lorraine Clarke2 | Stacey Wheat2 |
| **Mrs Ruddle** | **Mrs Whittaker** | **Miss Swann** | **Mrs Hassall** | **Mrs Gill** | **Mrs Wheat** |

**Important Diary Dates**

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| Monday 6th January | Welcome back to school |
| Fridays:  17th January  24th January  31st January  7th February  14th February  28th February  7th March  14th March | Workshops |
| Tuesday 21st January | DT - Bring a box and 2 cardboard rolls (lorry building) |
| Thursday 23rd January | VIP visitor afternoon |
| Tuesday 28th January | DT – bring in a plastic bottle or pot (boat building) |
| Tuesday 11th February | Safer internet day |
| Tuesday 11th February | DT – bring in a large (2L) pop bottle |
| Friday 14th February | Last day of school (half term) |
| Monday 24th February | Inset |
| Tuesday 25th February | Welcome back to school |
| Tuesday 4th March  Wednesday 5th March | Parents evening |
| Thursday 6th March  Friday 7th March  Mon 10th March  Tuesday 11th March | Scholastic book fair in the library |
| Friday 21st March | Red nose day show |
| Friday 4th April | Grangeton |
| Friday 4th April | Last day – easter holidays |
| Tuesday 22nd April | Welcome back 😊 |
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\*\* All dates are correct at the time of printing but are subject to change – we will let you know as soon as possible if any changes are made, or dates are added.