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The Grange Times

Sycamore



Sycamore Class have been working hard over the past couple of weeks. Many pupils are working towards their qualifications which is involving revision for their exams and a final push to complete their coursework.

Here are some of the highlights from their learning.

Harry: At school for the past 2-3 weeks, I have been improving my ICT and Animal Care skills. I have been a huge help in both lessons, especially Animal Care, where I've been working with my peers and others to help clean out and feed the animals. I have got all my Digital Citizenship in Typing Club out of the way, 1 through 5. I also really enjoy animal care as I like the animals and doing the caring of them and their needs.

Mya: In food tech I have recently been making a sausage roll and I got the star baker reward. I have also made some nice meals and cakes.

Kade: I have had fun in food tech when we made sausage rolls. We have also made lots of food in forest school on a fire.

Jasmine: I have enjoyed doing the Grange Mile. It helps me keep fit.

Keith: I enjoy food tech lessons because we get to cook some nice things.

Kalen: I have completed my food tech coursework. Recently in forest school we have cooked burgers and hot dogs on the fire as well as steaks.

Kaschan: I have been working to complete my food tech and childcare coursework and I have recently achieved Entry Level 3 in Maths.

Jake: I am doing work experience at the school farm. I really like working with the animals and sorting out food deliveries.



Pine



It is Autism Awareness Month and Pine class have thinking about what it means to them.

Connor: Autism can affect my emotions; If I get excited, I sometimes become loud and jumpy. If something is bothering me, I will start sulking because I let things bother me way too much; I focus on an activity to keep my mind off worrying about things. I think having autism has helped me know lots of information about dinosaurs; I like to look through books and search histories for any information that has been added that I didn't know, for instance I found out that a Stegosaurus tail spikes are called 'thagomizers'.

Lucas: I have autism, and I need extra support when I find things difficult. I find English difficult, but I am very good at maths and Art. I have a good memory for the London underground stations, and I can draw a map of them from my memory.

Aaron: Autism means we can't do something that other people can do. I need things explained to me and to be told why. I am really good at maths and when I have free-time I like to play with my sensory things because it is calming.

Marcus: Autism is something that affects the mind. Autism affects me in lots of different ways like, my memory is not the best sometimes; I forget things often but sometimes it's ok. It makes me who I am. I am someone who likes maths, history and animals. History is one of my specialties; I am interested in different eras, and I like to find out as much as I can.

Emmanuel: I think autism is a disability and affects the way children act. You might struggle focusing like me or struggle to explain yourself sometimes. I also think autistic people get more interested in things; I used to be interested in drawing. Playing outside helps me exercise and gives me a better mindset.

Max: Autism helps me remember lots about planes and trains. I know lots about London and the Royal family too.

Rowan: On Saturday 29th March I went to London to take part in the Route 19 Heritage Day. The Bus Museum was running heritage buses dating from the 1950s to 1970s alongside the normal daily service on route 19, between Finsbury Park and Battersea Bridge. The buses were really comfortable, but I couldn't stand up straight when I went upstairs; people must have been smaller in the 1950's.



Rowan class recently enjoyed a trip to Duxford Air Museum with the rest of Eagles.

This was an amazing opportunity to see the planes in Eagles' English book, *The Flying Circus*, and a chance to see the forms of transport that the children had explored in topic.



Kayden: I enjoyed seeing airplanes that I am familiar with because we are learning about them in English like Tom Cat F-14. I loved learning about the Wright Brothers and seeing the fastest plane that

went to America.

Piotr: I liked going into Concord because it was so fun and big inside.

Toby: My favorite part is all of it because I loved all the planes.

Rowan

Freddy: I liked seeing all the tanks used in the wars. I also liked going to the park with all of my friends after seeing the cool planes.

Asia: It was so fun because we saw planes like Vulcans and Tom Cats, like the characters from our English book.

Raf: I love the Blackbird because I want to learn enough to eventually have my own one. I liked Concord because it was the biggest one, but it was tiny inside.

Max: I liked the tanks because they can camouflage in different places like sandy places.

Kai: I liked seeing the WW1 tanks because they could blend into the sand. I also liked planes like Concord.

Lucy: I liked Concord because it was old and arrived in 1969. We also saw German pilots and they let me take a picture with them.



Robins News



The Robins have been very busy planning and preparing a 'Stay and Play Café' for their families. They made a to-do list of all the things they needed to organise, such as

invitations, menus, posters and a shopping list. We enjoyed going to Sainsburys to get all the food and drink we needed. The pupils also thought carefully about what team they wanted to be part of The Meet and Greet team, Welcoming team, Wait team or the Clean Up crew! It was a huge success, and we are very proud of the Robins efforts and behaviour!

Birch class

Phoebe: Me, Daddy, Lily Jo played Jenga, Daddy had coffee!

Dominik: I liked talking to the parents. I was a waiter and helped in the kitchen.

James: I liked seeing my mum. We had the Victoria sponge!

Arya: I read the book 'Bear Hunt' to my Mum and Dad. My Mum and Dad had coffee.

Gabriel: I had chocolate cake, Mummy had coffee.

Sidney: I liked seeing my Mum and Dad. We played Dominoes. I felt responsible for being a waiter.

Ayaan: Waiter, cake and squash. Take them to the families.

Henry: There's mummy

Olo: I was on the welcoming team and said 'Welcome to the Stay and Play café' I played Lego, building a skyscraper with my dad.

Oak class

Levi: It was nice seeing my Mum and playing marble run with her in the nest. Vinnie my brother was also playing with marble run, and he really liked the pizza

shop in Oak Class!

Samuel: I did some colouring with mummy and made a funny bunny hat. I was allowed to go home early when it finished! I also made mummy some cupcakes and orange squash.

Marcel: I got to drink out of my own mug, and I had a cleaning job. I did all the washing up and got to move my peg up twice after. I also had some biscuits and cake!

Amelia: It was super fun! I had to get less nervous about meeting the parents because it's my first time you know! Me, mummy and daddy made some Easter ears too. I had some gluten free biscuits and squash too.

Cody: My mum was able to come to the stay and play café and we had tea, biscuits, and some cake. I was helping to make teas and coffees for the other parents too.

Alfie: I had some blackcurrant squash, and I had some strawberry jam cake!

Lilly-Jo: I was eating food and making a cup of tea. My mummy and sister came, and we were doing some colouring in and eating food. My mummy loved her cup of tea.

Shaan: My Dad came to the stay and play café, and I was showing him all my paintings in my classroom. I was also playing marble run with him. I also got Dad a drink of squash, and he ate some cookies too!

Ash Class

Olivia: Tea

Carter: Would you like some biscuits?

Thabo: Parents ate cake and drank tea!



Beech

We have had a busy half term. To finish with a flourish we are going to enjoy an interform football tournament on Wednesday. We have been working hard towards planning and preparing our Easter Fete on Friday. In maths we finish our Geometry component with an Entry Level test. In English we will finish our book The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo. In social skills we have completed our Commando Joes - Steve Backshall missions.

It has been an exciting, fun and busy term of learning and progress where I have been proud to see Beech class always doing their best.

Oliver: At the Easter Fete I will be just chilling at my reading stall in the chill zone.

Courtney: I enjoy playing football and have liked working on passing and passing to a partner.

Aarnav: I like to do the maths sheets. All the different worksheets and challenges.

Ryan: I have liked football and enjoyed being a coach it was fun. I liked the bit in the book when Bertie got reunited with the white lion.

Cayden: I really like football lessons and I have enjoyed reading The Butterfly Lion.

Tulicia: I have enjoyed all of the activities because they were fun and it develops my teamwork skills.

Holly: I am excited to run the art stall on the day of the Easter Fete and see all the smiling kids.

Cameron: I have been lucky to be chosen for the art project with the professional artist.



Walnut

This half term, Walnut have been preparing for our Easter Fete on Friday 4th April. The students have been working in groups to create their stalls. Students have researched ideas, created shopping lists, ordered items, created posters and advertisements.

Arron: I enjoyed planning the event with my group.

Sienna: I really enjoyed working with my group. This is my second time running a stall. Everyone in my team has fantastic ideas.

Chibunna: I enjoyed making the posters and making the sweet cones.

Skye: I have been painting my canvases that I am going to sell. I think it is going to be fun, seeing all the children being happy.

Adam: I enjoyed helping Ibrahim make his leaflet.

Ben: I have organised the sweet cones. I wore gloves to stop cross-contamination.

Ashton: I enjoyed making the models.

Naomi: I enjoyed helping my team sort out the stall that we are running.

Bradley: I have painted boxes for my game at the Easter fete. It has been nice to work with different people.

Megan: I had a nice team, and we worked well together.



Acer

In Maths, Acer class have been learning to tell the time. We have used clocks, games and the whiteboard to tell the time to half past, quarter past, quarter to and five-minute intervals. Some of us having been solving time word problems.

Alex: I have been learning minutes past and minutes to. I have used my mind to read times on a clock.

Lewis: I have been solving time word problems. I have been trying to tell people how I solved the problem. I have been converting analogue times to digital times.

Harrison: I played time games on the whiteboard. I can find half past and o'clock on a clock.



Maple



Maple Class have really enjoyed this term, we were able to take some of our lessons outside as the sun has been out more, our topic was Ice Explorers and we learnt lots about the animals and people that have explored the Antarctic and Arctic. We finished up learning about Time and Fractions in Maths and did lots of activities to help us.

Alfie: My favourite thing this term was learning about the Arctic and Antarctic.

Summer: I liked writing my own story in English, mine was about two children who went to the park.

Alex: I enjoyed having a go on our new trampoline it is fun.

Seth: I liked doing Time in Maths, I learnt how to tell the time on a clock.

Jack: I liked doing the sentence activities where we had to fill in the missing words in maths, I was good at it.

Riley: I liked learning about our bodies in RSHE, and that boys and girls have different private parts.

Stefano: I enjoyed music media and learning about the tempo in different music.

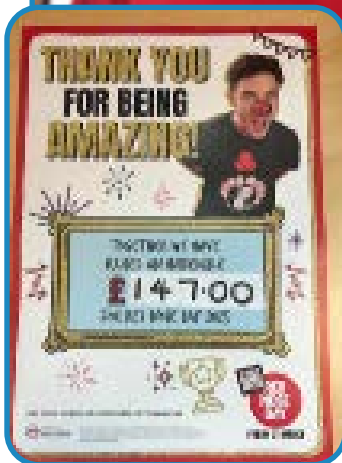
Aneesa: I liked learning about the days of the week.

Jeffrey: I liked ICT this term, I like finishing my to-dos.



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Other Notices



Diary Dates

Friday 4th April 2025 - Last Day of Term

Monday 7th April 2025 – Wednesday 23rd April 2025 - Easter Holidays

Thursday 24th April - Pupils Return to School

Fitness Sessions for All

Our very own Ms Charnock is starting new fitness sessions for all – here at Grange Academy and at Inclusion Fitness in Marston Moretaine.

Sessions are fun non-contact boxing classes – Boxing4Fitness and also Circuits & Fitness.

At Boxing4Fitness you will learn professional boxing techniques, have fun and get fit at your own pace! Circuits & Fitness features a great warm-up and a main component to get you moving and working at your own level. All age groups and abilities welcome.

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Sessions start in Marston Moretaine on March 31st and run weekly as follows-

Monday 6 – 7pm – Boxing4Fitness
Thursday 6 – 7pm – Circuits & Fitness
Saturday 2 – 3pm – Boxing4Fitness
Saturday 3 – 4pm – Circuits & Fitness

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