

Grange Academy Kestrels

Key Dates

September

3 Thurs	Pupils Return to School
10 Thurs	BILTT pupil fun day
12 Sat	Farm Open Day
18 Fri	Jeans for Genes Day
25 Fri	Macmillan Coffee Event

October

Black History Month	
9 Fri	Hello Yellow Day
13 Tues	Parents Evening
16 Fri	Harvest Festival (Kempston East)
26 - 30	Half Term

November

2 Mon	Pupils Return to School
11 Wed	Remembrance Day
16 Mon	Anti Bullying Week
20 Fri	Children in Need
27 Fri	Odd Socks Day
28 Sat	Grange Christmas Fayre

December

16 Thurs	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
17 Fri	Last day of Term (1 pm Finish)

This list is not exhaustive. Other things may be arranged throughout the term.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Please see attached an overview for the learning that will be taking place in **Red Kites** this upcoming term and some important dates for your diary.

Our theme for this term **The British Coastline** and will be personalised to meet your child's needs, as informed by pupils' EHC plans. Furthermore, this overview includes some ideas about how you can support your child's learning at home alongside their daily reading and weekly homework tasks.

We look forward to the exciting term ahead, and to supporting your child to meet their fullest potential.

If you would like to discuss anything, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Kindest Regards,

Team Red Kites

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The British Coastline

English	We will continue to develop a love of reading and wider understanding of the world within a historical context. We will explore the features of texts to narrate, create, recount, and develop our speaking and listening and writing skills. Our key text this term is Charles Dicken's <i>A Christmas Carol</i> . The text will enable us to think deeply about humanity and our own role as change makers in society today.
Maths	We will begin the term focusing on Property of Number, pupils working towards an Entry Level Qualification will work with three digit number and pupils working towards Functional Skills Level 1 will work with up to six-digit numbers. We will then move on to working with the four operations (+ - x ÷) developing methods to solve each of the operations efficiently. Throughout the year there will be activities applied to reasoning and problem-solving activities as well as making many links to our life skills curriculum.
Humanities	We will explore coastal environments and how they are shaped by physical processes and human activity. We will investigate how coastlines change over time, the impact of management strategies, and the importance of protecting coastal habitats, thinking critically about sustainability, and our role in caring for the environment. We will develop an understanding of how the British coastline has changed over time, developing chronological knowledge, identifying continuity and change, and exploring cause and consequence through different periods of coastal history.
RE	We will explore why people from Christianity, Islam and non-religious worldviews may choose to believe in God or not. We will compare similarities and differences in beliefs, using appropriate vocabulary and developing knowledge and respect for diverse worldviews. We will consider questions of meaning and truth this will support personal reflection and understanding of others' perspectives.
PE	Pupils will be preparing for their Entry Level PE qualification; they will choose 4 different sports and work on improving their skills. This will be done by working individually in a series of skill drills that will be recorded and sent to an adjudicator for assessment.
Science	This term in science we are focusing on the physics strand of the Entry Level science qualification, more specifically energy, forces and states of matter. This will involve practical and theoretical learning.
Food Technology	Pupils will work towards their Food for Life qualification and digital college certificate in food hygiene. We will explore how to plan and make balanced meals and dishes using fresh ingredients to prepare pupils for adulthood.
Animal Care Option	All pupils will be working towards Animal Care qualifications this includes animal welfare and care skills and the theory behind it. Lessons will be made up of a mixture of practical hands on experience and theory.
DT Option Textiles	This term pupils will be continuing their Entry qualification in Textiles. They will be developing hand and machine sewing to create and quilted zip folder. They will explore wet felting techniques to produce a money wallet and start a broad range of printing and embellishing techniques onto fabrics based on a landscape theme. The folders will be completed by the end of May 2027.
ICT	Pupils in ICT are going to be focusing on using Digital Citizenship on Typing Club to complete courses that will contribute to their future roles or qualifications. There will be a wide range of courses that will enable the pupils to develop digital literacy and keyboard skills whilst learning essential information for their future.
Life-Skills/RSHE	Pupils will be considering personal development in the context of Post 16 options, considering courses and colleges, thinking ahead to college open days and preparing for exam outcomes. Pupils will be preparing for and participating in work experience. Pupils will be looking at Grange Values considering the skills they need for employability.

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