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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Parent Governor Election

The Governing Body of Grange Farm School must include 5 Parent Governors who have been elected by the parents of registered pupils of the school and who are themselves parents of registered pupils of the school at the time of their election.

Two of our current Parent Governors come to the end of their term of service this November.

All parents therefore are invited to take part in the election of 2 Parent Governors for the school.

Parent Governors will normally serve for a term of four years unless of course they were to resign in the interim.

Parents seeking to be elected are required to undertake a disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau.

Nomination forms for the position of Parent Governor are available from the school office and they must be returned to the school by no later than 10.00am on Monday 12th November 2007. Should two or fewer nominations be received by the closing date the candidates will be duly elected unopposed. In the event of their being more than two candidates elections will be held. Information on voting arrangements would then be sent to all parents at a later date.

The School Governors are keen for all parents to take an active part in the forthcoming elections. They would also welcome nominations from minority ethnic groups as these groups are underrepresented on our current Governing Body.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the above process or indeed about the role of a Parent Governor, please feel free to speak to myself at school.

Panto



Our School Council when asked by The Friends of Grange Farm School for ideas as to how best use any money raised expressed the opinion that it might be nice if all children were given the opportunity to experience live theatre.

Towards this end The Friends of Grange Farm School have arranged for all our pupils to have the opportunity of attending this years production of Aladdin at the newly refurbished Belgrade Theatre.

Tickets have been booked for the morning of Wednesday 12th December 2007. Admission to the theatre and all transport costs are being paid for by the Friends of Grange Farm School. As in the case of any school trip children will be accompanied to the theatre by our teaching staff.

Detailed information for parents will follow.

I would like to thank The Friends for their work on behalf of the school and its pupils and thank them for their support in this generous and ambitious undertaking.



Newsletter

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Remodelling and Extension

Various delays in our remodelling and extension work have meant that the final hand over of the project originally scheduled for October 2007 has now been put back to December 2007.

Whilst this is unfortunate it must be said that the children have coped extremely well with the organisational challenges that have faced them and they must be congratulated for their conduct.

The new Y4 and Y5 classrooms should be ready for pupils on or just after the half term break. Y6 will then be based in the library whilst Y3 will occupy the classroom in the main hall whilst work to their classrooms is completed.

The project is beginning to shape up nicely and all pupils can look forward to an exciting and modern learning environment!



Harvest

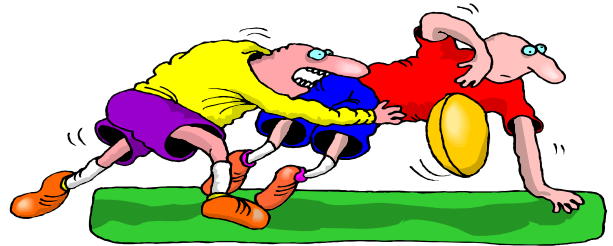
During the course of next week all children will be taking part in small Harvest Assemblies and will be using these experiences to focus attention upon problems in the wider world. Children will be investigating issues of Personal and Social Education whilst increasing their awareness of the inequality to be found in the distribution of the world's resources.

As a school we will be collecting donations of TINNED AND DRY goods for family groups less fortunate than ourselves. Items such as rice, lentils, vegetable oil, long-life milk and tinned tomatoes/vegetables/fruit have been suggested as these are most useful.

All donations should be in school by Wednesday 17th October. Food collected will then be donated to the Coventry Refugee Centre.

Extra Curricular Timetable

	Lunchtime	Evening
Monday	Beginner Guitars Improver Guitars Beginner Recorders Improver Recorders KS2 Library French Club	Tennis (January 2008)
Tuesday	Brass KS2 Library Electric Guitar	Mixed Football (Y5-6)
Wednesday	Piano/Keyboard Advanced Recorders Drums KS2 Library	Basketball (Y3-6) (January 2008)
Thursday	School Choir KS2 Library	
Friday	Fun Music Group Running Club	Rugby (Y4-6) French Conversation



Learn to Sign week

Pupils enjoyed taking part in Learn To Sign Week, each day learning different small phrases in British Sign Language. Indeed many children became very proficient! The week concluded with a non uniform day with the £188 collected going to support the work of the British Deaf Association

School Photographs

Wednesday 10 October

Just a reminder that the photographer will be in school tomorrow Wednesday 10 October to take individual and family photographs. If you wish a pre-school child to be included in a family photograph they will be taken between 9.00am and 9.30am, please come into school via the main entrance

**Ben Whelan
October 2007**