

# Newsletter Kilburn Grange School



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## A Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Kilburn Grange School,

We are now into the third week of term and the Reception children are with us full time. After school clubs are also underway (see below for details).

This week the children learned all about The International Day of Peace which took place on Wednesday. Every week the children will learn about a significant world event or special festival. Please find attached a list of dates.

Please could you let Mrs Thomas know if you have recently changed your contact details so that we can update our records. Most of our communication is sent out by email, however any urgent information is also in your child's book bag. The newsletter is also sent via email and a recent copy is always available on the notice board in the playground or by the front office.

We are really focusing on understanding feelings in Personal Social Health Education (PSHE) and how to manage them. Please find attached a feelings poster for you to discuss with your child. We also use this in school.

I am very much looking forward to seeing you all at the Coffee Morning for MacMillan. Parents and staff will be donating cakes and Chef Michael will be supporting the event by making 100 cup cakes! Thank you Chef Michael.

As always, thank you for your support!

Best wishes,

**Ms Richardson**  
Headteacher

## Attendance

### LAKE CLASS

★ 98.1% ★

### DALE CLASS

96.9%

### MEADOW CLASS

92.2%

Lake Class have the highest attendance this week and received a trophy to keep all week in their classroom. Well done Lake Class! The overall school attendance is 95.7% this week, we are not far away from our whole school target of 96.5%.

Please remember, the children are expected to attend school every day, however if for your child is unwell, you should call the school and let us know. Please note, we do not authorise holidays during term time, but we do authorise absence for religious holidays. Please note, our school procedure is to carry out a first day absence call if your child is not in school by 9:00 a.m. If we are unable to contact you by telephone or your child has low attendance, we may visit you at your home. Please refer to the policy page on our school [website](#) for more details.

## After School Clubs

We have lots of interest in our extended activities. Remember, we have Sunrise Breakfast Club every morning from 07:45. We also have Multi-skills, Ballet, Art & Craft, Street Dance and Football club from 15:45 – 16:45, as well as Sunset After School care until 18:00. The clubs are filling up quickly so for details of how to use ParentPay (our online payment facility) please contact Mrs Thomas if you wish your child to join!

## Parents and Community

We have our first parent work shop next week, please make sure you come along as you will learn how we teach children early reading using phonics. This will help you to support your child at home. We will also be starting Family Friday again and you will have an opportunity to see your child's learning so far.

If you are interested in becoming a parent governor, there is still time. Please contact [info@kilburngrangeschool.org.uk](mailto:info@kilburngrangeschool.org.uk) and we will send you an information pack.

We also have voluntary positions if you or somebody you know would like to support the pupils during school time. There is also a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, which will involve serving meals and supervising the pupils throughout their lunch break. For more information, please contact [info@kilburngrangeschool.org.uk](mailto:info@kilburngrangeschool.org.uk).

## Key Dates and Reminders

**30/09/16:** Coffee morning for Macmillan 

### October 2016: Black History Month

**07/10/16:** at 08:40 - Look at my Learning (LAML)

**07/10/16:** at 09:15 - Phonics Workshop

**07/10/16:** at 14:30: Phonics Workshop

**07/10/16:** at 15:00 - Look at my Learning (LAML)

**07/10/16:** – 15:00: LAML

**14/10/16:** Steel Pan Performance and Workshop

**21/10/16:** Reception and Year 1 Fantastic Finish  
(Art Gallery)

**21/10/16:** End of Half Term

## Celebrating Learning and Behaviour

This week **Kamal in Lake Class** has received a **Headteacher Dojo** for fantastic use of phonics to support him in his writing about how he would care for his pet parrot!

**Lake Class** have the most amount of Dojo points this week with a total of 582 points! **Well done Lake Class!**

**Dale Class: 545 points**

**Meadow class: 390 points**

Well done to **Aoife, Vincent** and **Kamal** for receiving 100 Dojo points already this term. They were presented with a special certificate in assembly and signed their name in the celebration book!!

Remember, parents can keep track of their child's behaviour by downloading the Class Dojo App. If you haven't signed the agreement in order to get your username and password, please see Ms Kelly our Family Support Worker.

## Languages at Kilburn Grange School

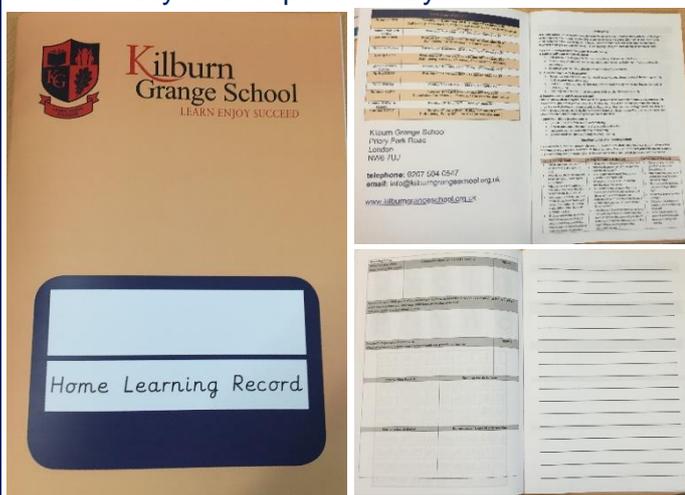
We are really excited that our children are learning Spanish in Reception and Year 1. Languages are not a requirement until Key stage 2 when the pupils are 7 years old, but we recognise the importance of learning a language early. We are fortunate enough to have Ms Nunes who can teach Spanish to the children every week.

As Spanish is also the fourth most widely spoken language in the world we feel that it will equip our children for well for the future.

We will be consulting with parents when we are designing our curriculum for Key Stage 2 and would be happy to listen to your views on other language choices.

## Home Learning

We are really excited that the home learning record books for Reception and Year 1 have finally arrived. They include handwriting, mathematics, writing and spelling activities for your children to complete each week. The class teacher will also provide information on your child's latest target and there is a section for parents to comment on anything they wish to share about to their child's learning and progress. The class teacher will collect the books every Wednesday and respond to any comments made.



## School Uniform

As the weather is becoming cooler, your child should be wearing a Kilburn Grange School coat to school as the mornings are particularly cold. We have a spring / summer and autumn / winter uniform for boys and girls. Full details are available in the [uniform policy](#) on the school website.



# This Week in Pictures



## Recognising numbers



## Writing with wonder