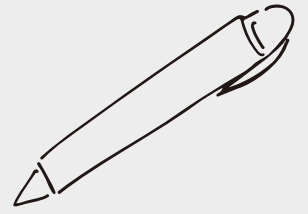


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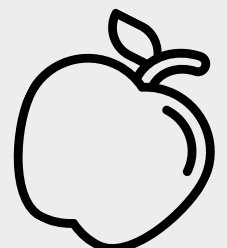
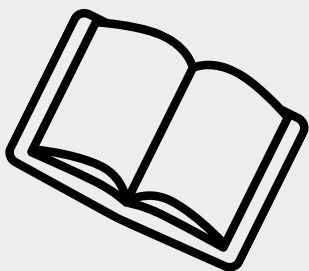


Another amazing half term at Grangetown Primary!
We would love to share with you what we have been up to in each year group. Enjoy reading about the things we have done.

EYFS KIDDIWINKLES, NURSERY & RECEPTION

We can't quite believe that we are at the end of what has been an amazing year in EYFS! We don't often get a chance to sit and reflect with the children about everything that they have achieved but when we do, we are always blown away by how much we have managed to experience, enjoy, explore and accomplish.

From Pony Day to Teddy Bear's picnics, outdoor adventures, physical fun and Forest Schools, it has certainly been a fun filled journey. As the children move on to their next step in school, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your fantastic support. Have a wonderful summer, lets hope the sun has just been waiting for us to break up!



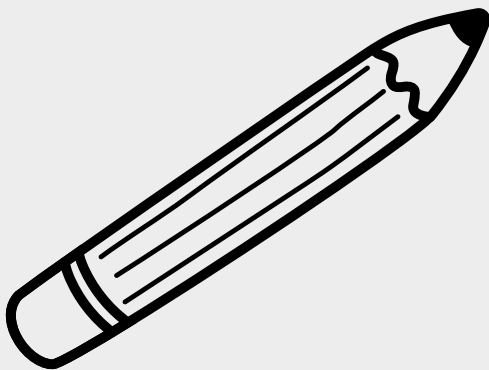
YEAR ONE

WOW! I can't believe this is the last term of Year 1! This year has flown by and what a year it has been! The children have been amazing and have learnt so much!

We had an amazing time for our end of year trip to Saltburn. We made sandcastles, ate ice cream, had a walk on the pier and played in the park!

We went on a trip to Locke Park in Redcar where we listened to Julia Donaldson stories and played games linked to the stories. We loved watching the wildlife and walking through the beautiful rose garden.

We have enjoyed planting flowers this term for our outside area, including poppies, sweet peas, sunflowers and pansies. We have watered them daily and watched them grow. We are looking forward to seeing the flowers bloom this Summer. Have a fabulous Summer holiday everyone!



YEAR TWO

Wow! What an incredible year we have had in Year 2! Throughout the year, the children have worked so hard and we are extremely proud of all of their achievements. This term, we have been learning about James Cook and Whitby. This culminated in a visit to Whitby where we had a fun filled day at the seaside. Throughout the day, we walked up the 199-steps, visited Whitby Abbey, dipped our toes in the sea and even the wet British weather couldn't prevent us from enjoying our ice-creams. We all have to say a huge thank-you to everyone who supported our enterprise stalls over the course of the year. The money that we raised was spent in the arcades, buying ice-creams and on chips- without your support we would not have been able to do this. We would also like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents for their ongoing support throughout this school year.



YEAR THREE

In Year 3 this half term we have been learning about Light in Science - we have had fun playing with the torches and mirrors to find out more about how light moves. We also drew round our shadows to see how they change throughout the day. In Geography we made a poster about our local landmarks and in RE we have been learning about the Parables of Jesus. We have been busy with PE activities this half term, including Sports Day and an Athletics meeting at Middlesbrough sports village.

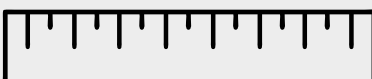
In our Stepping Stones project, we have been very busy learning how to make stretchers, light fires and filter water to make it safer to drink - we will be learning how to boil it in later sessions.



YEAR FOUR

What a wonderful Summer term we have had in Year 4! The children have enjoyed such a range of experiences and learning and us teachers have loved seeing how enthusiastic and happy the children have been in school! All children have worked super hard in Maths, Writing and Reading and have all made amazing progress. Their thirst for knowledge is infectious across our core subject areas. We have enjoyed trips to Guisborough Forest Walkway as part of our Geography field work topic. The children were investigating the best location for a bug hotel! In History we have been researching and exploring how amazing Egypt and Egyptian life was. The children really enjoyed the collaborative work in researching this. In Science we have continued to develop our investigation skills and knowledge by taking part in different Science experiments. All children took part in the out of this world Queen Concert for music! Such an amazing experience for them all! The children worked extra hard on designing, making and evaluating their own night lights or spinners for our DT topic. The children used the crumble kit to make a circuit to make the night lights light up or the spinners spin!

It has been such an amazing end to the school year and the teachers in year 4 have thoroughly enjoyed working with the wonderful children. Have a wonderful summer holidays!



YEAR 5

We have had an amazing year this year! We have had some amazing experiences, laughed and worked really hard all year. This half term, we have been focusing on UK farming. We have learned all about different types of farms, our local farming area and what types of farms we have locally to us. Linking with our farming geography topic, we attended Newham Grange farm for a trip. On this trip we fed animals, learned about different livestock and how to care for them. In history, we have focused on our local area and how Middlesbrough changed from a small village into a large town with the creation of the railways and the discovery of the local coal collieries. In year 5, we have had a large focus on careers and have attended many wonderful events and businesses to help prepare us for adulthood such as, Miller Homes in South Bank. On this trip, we visited the building site and learned lots about the different jobs related to construction.

YEAR SIX

The Y6s have had an exciting final term at Grangetown! They hit the stage to perform 'We Will Rock You' as part of the school's Queen concert. They have also been warming up their voices and practising their special talents to perform at the leavers' assembly! The children have also enjoyed chess and thrive sessions in their last term. This week the children have had a plethora of exciting treats from ice creams at the beach to thrill seeking in flamingo land. The children have more than earned these exciting adventures with their friends as shown in their SATs results. We are extremely proud of everything they have achieved this year. We look forward to rounding up the celebrations and enjoying the children's performances on Friday. This will be the perfect send off for the children as they embark on their new journey to secondary schools. Good luck to each and every one of you as you enter the next stage in your education.





THE ARC

In writing, we have been focusing on non-fiction. We have written some explanation texts about animals, inspired from our visit to Waterfall Farm last half-term. We are now writing some important posters on sun safety and water safety.

In maths, we have been learning about statistics. We have been gathering and representing our own data in tally charts, pictograms and bar charts.

We went on a trip to Play Factory in Skelton to enjoy soft play! We also enjoyed our superhero fun day with our year groups. ARC, assemble!

In PSHE, we have been learning about feelings and focusing on transitions to our next year groups. We say goodbye to our incredible Y6s. We will miss you!

WE ARE GRANGETOWN

What an amazing year this has been & I was so happy to celebrate as a whole school last week at our Queen Concert. It was so great to welcome so many of you to Grangetown United - thank you so much for always supporting us. We are already planning next years celebration & welcome any suggestions on artists.

It comes to this time of the year when we have some goodbyes to say. Firstly, to our wonderful year 6 children. What memories you will be leaving our school with, you are all so ready for the next stage of school & I am so proud to have been part of your journey. Keep being you & go out there & smash it as we know you will.

We also have some staff who are moving on to pastures new. They have all made such an impact on our school & I am so grateful for their hardwork, care & support they have not only shown the children but also our whole school community. Thank you - Mrs Doherty, Mr Burns, Miss McCarthy & Miss Poole.

To both the children & staff who are leaving us they will always be part of our Grangetown family & we can't wait to hear all about your future adventures.

I would also like to thank each & everyone of you for your continued support & I really look forward to watching your children grow & flourish next year.

Finally, from all of us at Grangetown have an amazing Summer, lets hope the sun shines, whilst you are all making memories.

Take care
Miss Mott

