

15th December 2017

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents /Carers

Christmas Message ...

With the autumn term now coming to an end we would like to take this occasion to express our gratitude for your continued support. Your children have been amazing this term and we are all so proud of all their achievements.



We would like to wish you a joyous Christmas break and a happy and peaceful 2018.

Merry Christmas

Grangewood School

Farewell

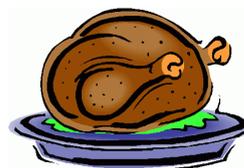
As you are aware Karen Clark our Head teacher is sadly leaving us this term. *(Please see attached letter.)* We would like to thank Karen for her dedication and hard work and wish her all the very best on her new adventure.

We will also be saying goodbye to Gergana Bodurova at the end of this term. We thank Gergana for her hard work and wish her good luck. We will update you shortly with news of her replacement.

Autumn Term Annual Review Meetings



Thank you to all parents who attended their child's Annual Review meeting this term and we hope to have such a good attendance for next term's annual reviews.



Christmas Dinner Tuesday 19th December

Our Christmas dinner will be served on Tuesday 19th

December. Please can you return the attached reply form, if you have not already do so indicating if your child requires the meat or vegetarian option.

Christmas Performance

It was lovely to see so many of you at our recent Christmas performances. I think you will agree the children were outstanding and we are all so proud of them. I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work.



Reminder

Please be reminded that school will end for pupils on:

Wednesday 20th December at 1.30pm

Pupils will return to school on:

Wednesday 3rd January

Lost Property

A Tiffany charm has recently been handed in. Please contact the school office to claim the item.

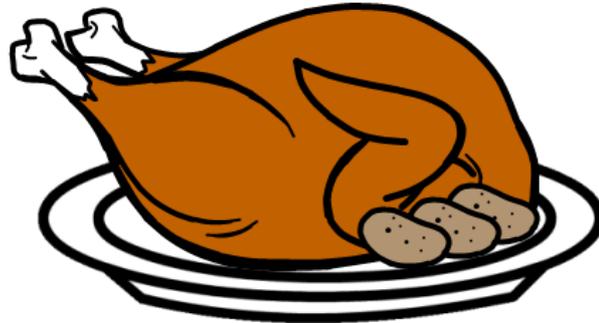
DIARY DATES:

- 19/12/17 Christmas Dinner
- 20/12/17 Term Ends (Early Closure 1.30pm)
- 02/01/18 Inset Day (no pupils)
- 03/01/18 Term Starts



Please visit our website for information and updates including School holiday and term dates.

www.grangewoodschool.co.uk



Grangewood Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on Tuesday 19th December at a cost of £2.00.

(£2.00 cost not applicable if your child is entitled to free school meals)

Please complete the below reply slip indicating what dining option your child would like:

Child's Name:.....

Class:.....

Meat

Vegetarian



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Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

As I informed you in September, the time has come for me to say a fond farewell after 2 ½ successful and enjoyable years at Grangewood School, having made the most difficult decision to resign from my position as Head teacher.

It has been a difficult decision to make, having always put Grangewood School and the pupils first and at the heart of every decision I have made. As I look back, I am delighted with the journey we have all been on- the hard work, the shared successes and the amazing progress of your children and of course the laughter!

I will be leaving at Christmas to begin a new position as Principal in Essex. Many of you will know that my home is in Essex and my family circumstances have changed and I need to be near them which is my only reason for leaving Grangewood School. Please be reassured, I took my time to find a school which has similar values and aims as Grangewood – there's not many around as special as Grangewood!! If I could take you all with me I would!!

I would like to thank all the stakeholders – trustees, LABs, teachers, parents, pupils – for supporting me in my role as Head teacher over the last 2 ½ years. The school will be left in very safe hands: we are fortunate in having a strong multi academy trust in Eden, excellent senior leadership team, forward thinking middle managers and very many brilliant and committed staff.

During my time at the school, the Trust and school have worked tirelessly to ensure the very best outcomes for all the pupils – their strategic work will continue and they will keep you informed of future decisions. The many successes achieved together will be continued to be built upon at Grangewood.

I will, when the time comes to leave, miss the pupils greatly and all my colleagues very much and want to say a huge thank you to them and to you, for all your support over the years – it has meant so much to me!

It will, of course, be business as usual until Christmas, as I continue to focus on your child's progress, both socially and academically!

Best wishes to you all for the future.

Karen Clark



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