

Dates in December:

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| Monday 14 th December | P5-7 Christmas Play Dress rehearsal | 10.00am |
| Tuesday 15 th December | P5-7 Christmas play night | 7.30pm |
| Wednesday 16 th December | P1-4 Christmas Play Dress rehearsal | 10.30am |
| Wednesday 16 th December | P1-4 Christmas play night | 7.30pm |
| Thursday 17 th December | Grange choir in the community | |
| Friday 18 th December | School closes for Christmas | 12.00noon |

Mass Attendance in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange:

| Date | Class | Time |
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| 17/12/15 | P2/3 | 9.30am |
| 06/01/16 Feast of the Epiphany | Whole school mass | 9.00am (earlier start time) |

UP AT THE KINGDOM:

Friday 7pm An Ríocht P1 to U12 Camogie & Football presentations at Dunavil.

Saturday NO Football today.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY:

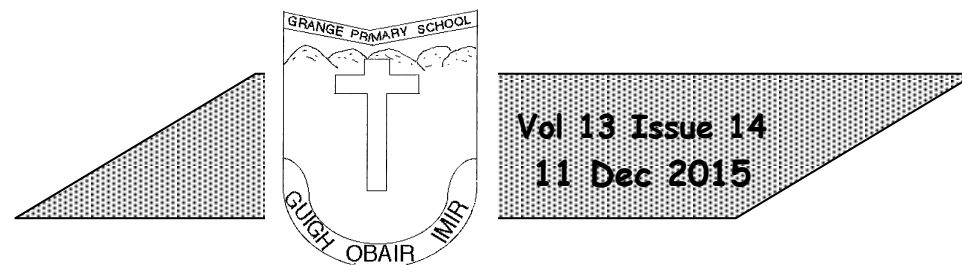
On Thursday 17th December, everyone, pupils, staff and parents are invited to wear your BEST Christmas jumper to school.

For all those who wish to do so, we ask for a donation of at least £1.00.

Prizes in each class for those voted as the most colourful/festive!

All donations will go to our local St. Vincent de Paul's Christmas Appeal.

Also, Friday will be a non-uniform day, to allow the uniforms to be washed, ironed and put away for our first day back to school for Term 2 on Tuesday 5th January!



Grange Newsletter



Christopher from the Northern Ireland Fire Service visited school recently to talk to the Primary 5 children in relation to Fire Safety. Hopefully they were able to relay some of the important messages to parents and family members.

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| <p>School Closure: School will close for the Christmas break next Friday 18th December at 12.00noon. There are no school dinners of this day. Rooney bus will collect children as normal, there will be no Ulsterbus.</p> |
| <p>Mass attendance: The whole school attended 9.00am mass in Grange on the feast day of The Immaculate Conception of Mary. Thank you to the children in Primary 6/7 who participated in the liturgy. Well done to the children in Mrs Sloan's class who attended mass yesterday and took part in the liturgy.</p> |
| <p>Sacramental Dates: Dates have been confirmed within the parish for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist and Confirmation respectively: Holy Communion for Grange PS pupils will take place on Saturday 7th May at 10.00am Confirmation for our 3 parish schools will take place on Monday 9th May at 4.00pm. A busy 3 days. We can also confirm that our Primary 3 pupils will be conferred with the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 8th March at 6.00pm.</p> |
| <p>Assemblies: Well done to the pupils in Mrs McAteer's class who presented their Winter assembly last Monday.</p> |
| <p>P3 Advent Families: This Sunday, the families of Callum Cassidy, Richard Paul Heaney and Shea Trainor will participate at the 9.00am mass.</p> |
| <p>Swimming lessons for P5/6: Our 12 week programme of swimming lessons has now ended for Term 1. Beginning in January, P5 & P7 pupils will begin a second series of lessons.</p> |
| <p>Open Enrolment to Primary 1 in September 2016: The application period for parents to apply for a place in Primary 1/ preschool in September 2016 is now open. Please contact school for an application form, and school prospectus. <i>Closing date for return of applications is: 12.noon on Wednesday 13th January.</i></p> |
| <p>Grange Primary School Open Day: We had a very successful Open Day on Friday 4th December with many of our prospective Primary 1 pupils and their families visiting. We look forward to seeing many of them again next week at our P1-4 Dress Rehearsal. We would like to thank all our parents who assisted with the collection of children early or allowing younger pupils to stay on after 2.00pm. On the day, our pupils exhibited all that is great about our school with their enthusiasm and ability to showcase their skills to others. Well done and thank you to everyone.</p> |

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| <p>Christmas Concert Play Nights: Next week is a very busy week with all our play performances. On the night of each performance, we ask that children are in school no later than 7.00pm and to proceed to the classroom they have been allocated. <i>On each night the doors will open at 6.30pm.</i></p> |
| <p>School House Points: Our House Points competition has ended for Term 1. Well done to the children in Donard. Today they enjoyed a fun visit to the cinema at the Kingdom Binnian: 24,540 Donard: 26,705 Knockchree: 26,390</p> |
| <p>Newry & Mourne Council Environmental Calendar Competition: We should shortly take receipt of copies of this year's Environmental Calendar for 2016 and we will send one home to each family. Although we don't have anyone from P6/7's artwork among this year's entries, we received four 'High Commendation Awards.' Well done to Darragh Mc Alinden, Sarah-Leigh Sloan, Rachel Clarke and Abbie Mc Comiskey.</p> |
| <p>Our School in the Community: Next Thursday 17th November, members of our school choir and some children from our younger classes will go out into the community to perform at Slieve Roe House, the First Trust Bank and the Nautilus Centre. Please ensure Permission Slips are returned. Any parent or family member looking to go along and see them perform can make their way to The First Trust Bank, anytime between 12.15 and 1.00pm.</p> |
| <p>Newry Feis: Entry for the Poetry / Primary Verse Speaking Section of this year's Newry Feis competitions is now open. Cost for entering the Feis is £3.00 per entry</p> |
| <p>Christmas Donations: Many thanks to ALL who sent in sweet donations for our raffle hampers. Sincere thanks to one of Santa's best little helpers, Mrs. Morgan!</p> |
| <p>Technology Challenge: Well done to Jack Sloan and Daire Cousins who represented our school at this year's technology challenge up at St. Louis.</p> |
| <p>2016 Calendars: Our 2016 calendars have just arrived. They look great! All families will today receive an order form to purchase copies at £5.00.</p> |
| <p>Christmas Plays DVD: We hope to have a single recording taken of both play performances. Each copy will cost £5.00. per copy. A slip will go home on Monday.</p> |