

# Grange Primary School Board of Governors:

The regulatory body for our school, the Board of Governors, is constituted as below:

Mr. Sean Rogers (Chairperson & Safeguarding Representative / SELB Representative)  
Fr. Sean Dillon (Trustee)  
Mrs. Caitriona Stack (Trustee & Safeguarding Representative)  
Mr. Oliver Sloan (Trustee)  
Mr. Michael O' Rourke (Trustee)  
Mrs. Anne Mullan (EA Representative)  
Mr. Gerard Mc Givern (Dept of Education Representative)  
Mrs. Linda Mc Conville (Parent Representative)  
Mrs. Gail Digney (Teacher Representative)  
Mr. Sean Mc Kinley (Principal)

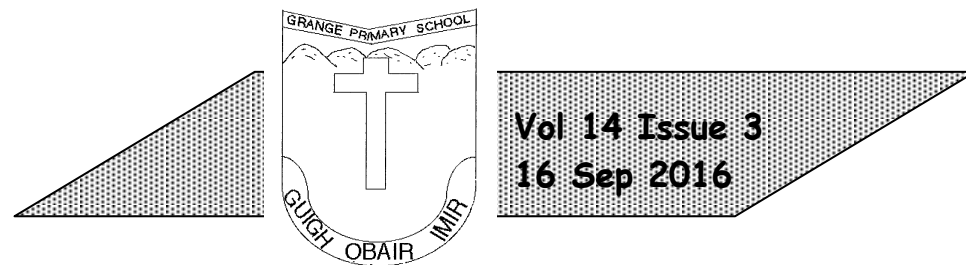
The Board of Governors meet regularly, at least once per term, to consult and make decisions in relation to all aspects of school life - curriculum, teaching & learning, administration, staffing, finance and departmental policy.

If any parent wishes to make a contribution to any aspect of school life and feels the matter should be addressed by the Governors, ***they should put the matter in writing and forward it to school, for the attention of the secretary to Grange Primary School Board of Governors. No individual Governor should be approached about any issue a parent wishes raised at a Governor's meeting.***

## ***Up at The Kingdom:***

Friday 16 September: 6.15pm P5/P6 Football; 7pm Kids Movie Night 'Angry Birds'.  
Saturday 17 September: 11am P1/P2 Football; 12pm P3/P4 Football; 1pm Bus leaves Dunavil for Senior Camogie Final, U12 Camogs will form Guard of Honour at Pairc Esler and play at half-time.  
Wednesday 21 September: 6.15pm U6 & U8 Camogie; 7.15pm U10 & U12 Camogie.

***Best of luck to the An Ríocht Camogs who contest the Down Senior Camogie final this weekend.***



# Grange Newsletter



The Eco-Team is pictured with Noel Lyons from the Arc 21 Waste Bus. The children were learning how to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle our waste.

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<p><b>Primary One:</b> The Outlook newspaper will publish a ‘<b>First School Days</b>’ supplement in the week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> October featuring photos from all local primary schools.</p>
<p><b>Head Boy/Girl:</b> We have received letters of application from the Primary 7 boys and girls and further to nominations, elections took place today in school. We hope to announce details of the new Head Boy and Head Girl incumbents on Monday coming.</p>
<p><b>Class Assembly:</b> Our first assembly of this academic year will be presented by the pupils from the P6/7 class on <b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b> at our 10.00am assembly. Parents and family members are warmly invited to attend.</p>
<p><b>Safeguarding &amp; Child Protection:</b> <i>Our school Safeguarding team consists of Mr.S. Rogers &amp; Mrs. C. Stack (Governors); Mrs R. Mc Ateer (Designated Teacher); Ms. D. Hughes (Deputy Designated Teacher); and Mr. S. Mc Kinley (Principal).</i></p>
<p><b>Pupil Collection:</b> The parking bay area at the front of the school is now clearly marked as a <b>BUS ONLY</b> area. Parents are asked <b>NOT</b> to park in this area when dropping off or collecting children, but to use the <b>CARPARK</b> and to walk their children into the school yard. This is for everybody’s safety. Last year, one or both buses were unable to pull in to allow children to get on the bus safely.</p>
<p><b>Milk:</b> All pupils can avail of 1/3 pint of milk each day at a subsidised cost of £0.21/day. Any children wishing to take milk in Term 1 should return the Reply Slip and payment of <b>£10.32 by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September.</b></p>
<p><b>Altar Servers:</b> A new rota for altar servers will commence shortly. We have only 5 children from P5-7 who have come forward. We ask parents again to consider allowing their child to perform this very worthwhile duty in the parish. Please let us know before Monday coming.</p>
<p><b>Beginning Year Mass:</b> Our first whole school mass will be in Grange Chapel on <b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am</b>, where P7 pupils will participate in the Liturgy.</p>
<p><b>Music Tuition:</b> Our EA woodwind tutor, Mr Mulholland, resumed lessons in school this week. He is glad to welcome back Cara and Maria to their second year of lessons and also welcomes new musicians Ella, Sarah and Ryan. Tin whistle lessons also resumed with Mr McGreevy. He welcomed back many children from previous years and also a large number of Primary 4 pupils who are beginning to learn to play. We look forward to being entertained by all of the children’s musical talent later in the year.</p>
<p><b>Flu Vaccination Programme:</b> We have been notified that all primary school pupils will be offered the ‘flu vaccine’ as part of the annual school’s Health Immunisation Programme. This will occur in our school on <b>Wednesday 23<sup>th</sup> November.</b> Consent forms to follow.</p>
<p><b>Class Library Visits:</b> Our P5/6 class made the first of their three visits to <b>Kilkeel Library</b> as part of our continuing partnership with them in the promotion of reading. All classes will have the opportunity to visit the library with their teacher in the coming weeks. If any child is not registered with the library they can collect an application form from Ms Hughes or call into Kilkeel Library.</p>

<p><b>Pupil Health and Safety:</b> <b>Please ensure that a new inhaler is sent in to school for any pupil who suffers from asthma. Please label with child’s name.</b></p>
<p><b>Pupil Health and Safety:</b> We remind all parents that we have a child in school with a diagnosed <b>NUT ALLERGY</b>. Please ensure no nuts or products containing nuts are sent to school as part of lunch items.</p>
<p><b>Eco- Schools:</b> On Tuesday, Noel Lyons visited the school with the <b>Arc21 Waste Bus</b>. Each class visited the bus and learned about how we can Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. An enjoyable time was had by all.</p>
<p><b>GL Assessment Transfer Test:</b> Any P7 parents wishing their child to sit the Post-Primary Consortium Entrance Test must register their child with the Registration Centre (Sacred Heart Grammar School) <b>on/before 2.00pm on Friday 23rd September.</b></p>
<p><b>Computer Based Assessments (P4-7):</b> In a couple of weeks, pupils from P4-7 will complete computer based assessments in literacy (NILA) and numeracy (NINA). A letter will be sent home informing parents of the nature of these assessments and how pupils can access a ‘Practice area’ at home in preparation.</p>
<p><b>Lost Property:</b> We have a large collection of coats/jackets left over from last year from all classes. We ask parents to come in and check through the box in the front foyer before they are recycled.</p>
<p><b>Friends of Grange AGM:</b> The AGM of the Parent Support Group will take place on <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30pm</b>. It will be preceded at <b>6.30pm</b> by a ‘Literacy Information’ workshop for current Primary 1 parents. P1 parents will receive a letter detailing this event in due course.</p>
<p><b>Centenary of Carlingford Lough Disaster:</b> Members of Newry Maritime Association will visit our school on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September to talk to the children about the tragic events of 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1916 when the SS Connemara and SS Retriever collided. We are encouraging the children to do their own research ahead of the presentation and many have been able to find interesting facts by talking to parents and grandparents.</p>
<p><b>Book Fair</b> We will hold our annual school book fair during the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> October. Each class will be allocated a time to attend the fair and during these times we welcome parents and grandparents to attend with the children. The book fair is an important event in our school year as we continue to encourage and develop children’s reading skills, it also enables us to obtain valuable reading resources for our classes as we are awarded commission on books bought by parents. Your support is, as always, greatly appreciated.</p>
<p><b>Attendance at Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange:</b> <b>Well done to the pupils from P3/4 who attended this week’s Thursday mass.</b> <b>Upcoming class participation at mass:</b> P2/3 (22<sup>nd</sup> Sep); P1/2/3 (6<sup>th</sup> Oct); P3/4 (13<sup>th</sup> Oct); P5/6 (20<sup>th</sup> Oct); P6/7 (3<sup>rd</sup> Nov);</p>
<p><b>Dates for the Diary:</b> Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Deadline for deposit to attend P4-7 Panto; Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September – ‘Brilliant Grange’ Personal Development Workshop No. 3; Monday 26 September – Primary 6/7 class assembly; Connemara / Retriever presentation; Friday 23 September – Registration deadline for 2016 GL Assessment Transfer Test; Monday 03 October – Primary 1 pupils remain until 2.00pm</p>