

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was certainly an unusual start to 2021 for everyone. At Grange Primary, we were quick off the mark with our contingency plans for another school closure. Children were able to access remote provision straight away and staff have developed this provision with the use of Loom video technology to make lessons more engaging, personal and interactive.

We have seen our numbers of engagement greatly rise from the first lockdown. We also have an increased number of children in school to ensure everyone having difficulty with the remote provision can access the learning in some way. We have been celebrated our children's successes at home and school every week in Fab Friday video. I always love seeing everyone's work!

Although it has been a challenging half term, we would as always like to express our gratitude to the Grange parents and carers for pulling together and supporting with remote learning. We would also like to thank staff for their resilience, positivity and commitment to the children in these unprecedented times.

*Mrs Charlotte Summers*  
**Headteacher**



## REMINDERS & NOTICES



### Children's Mental Health Week

We have kept school events running as usual, with staff thinking of inventive ways to get everyone at home and at school, unified and engaged. This started with the apt theme of Children's Mental health week. All children watched an assembly and took part in special activities to mark this day.

### Sir Captain Tom Moore

To celebrate the life of Sir Captain Tom Moore, the children in school completed 1000 laps of the playground and the children at home were invited to join in by posting a video of themselves doing some laps of their garden. We also viewed some clips about his life and had a discussion with the children about why it is important to help others in these times.

[Check out our Trust Primary School video here.](#)

### Safer Internet Day

For Safer Internet Day, Mr Evans did a special assembly and ran a poster competition. We also had the same activities running in school and available at home. Work from children at home was shared with children at school to highlight our strong community in this time.

CBBC put together a great video which you can [view here](#).

### Dress Up Friday

We know that these times are tough and we need to keep the spirits of our Grange family up. With this in mind, we decided to have a 'Dress Up Friday' for the children (and staff!) at home and school. It was lovely to see everyone come together - in person in school and virtually at home to share some silly photos and have some fun!

### Stay Safe

We would like to thank staff for all their hard work in this challenging time.

We would like to wish all our Grange families a safe and restful half term. We look forward to welcoming our children back virtually on  
**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021.**

### Valentine's Bake off

We have marked Valentine's day with a 'Valentines Bake off'.

Children at home and school have been asked to share a picture of a Valentines themed home- baked cake.

Mrs Summers will be judging and prizes will be given out.



## FOCUS

### Positive Test Results



If your child tests positive between Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February you will still need to contact school on [contact@grangepri.sat.coop](mailto:contact@grangepri.sat.coop) so we can then follow the test and trace procedures and guidelines. Any queries please contact the school office or [www.gov.co.uk](http://www.gov.co.uk). Thank you.



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