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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy time it is in school at the moment! We have;

- participated in Hello Yellow Day for Young Minds
- had the first round of our Parent Consultation sessions
- planted a daffodil bulb each so that in Spring the school looks cheerful and is awash with yellow!
- carried out assessments across all year groups to identify the strengths and areas requiring catch up for our children
- kept the whole school healthy and Covid free for the past 5 weeks
- enjoyed learning about a wide range of topics and events

None of these would be possible without the hard work of the staff and the enthusiasm of our wonderful pupils and families so a **BIG THANK YOU** to all from me!

You will undoubtedly be following the news and like myself be wondering whether we can expect to experience another lockdown or greater local restrictions. At the time of writing this newsletter I can confirm that there are no local plans for a 2 week half term in Hounslow schools. Should this change I will, of course, inform you immediately and outline plans for how learning will continue. In the meantime, please continue to follow the advice of Hands Face Space and ensure that you maintain a safe distance from each other when dropping off and collecting your children from school.

We will be launching our new school meal menu after half term. Having consulted with Chartwells, our school dinner provider, we are pleased to be able to offer five meal choices each day as well as fresh salad and vegetables. We request that meals are booked for a full week and not just for certain days within a week. We are confident that the greater daily lunch choices will mean that there is always an option that is suitable.

Our Year 5 and 6 classes have contributed to this newsletter and we hope that you are interested and impressed by the work that they have been doing. They are all working really hard and We have a super star amongst us at Spring Grove! I am very, very proud to announce that **Miss Goddard** has received an award and has been selected as the **Active School Hero** winner for Hounslow for the role that she has played in inspiring children to be fit and active. Well done Miss Goddard. We are so pleased and fortunate that you work at our school and you inspire our children every day.

We are saying goodbye to **Ms Proctor** next Friday as she is relocating to Kent. She has worked here since 2017 and has been an incredibly popular teacher and colleague. Her contribution to all aspects of life at Spring Grove has been immense and we will all really miss her. Good luck Ms Proctor and enjoy living by the sea. Please make sure that you come back and visit us. Once the pandemic is over maybe we can arrange some school trips to the seaside in Kent! I hope that you all have a good weekend.

Mrs Colley
Headteacher



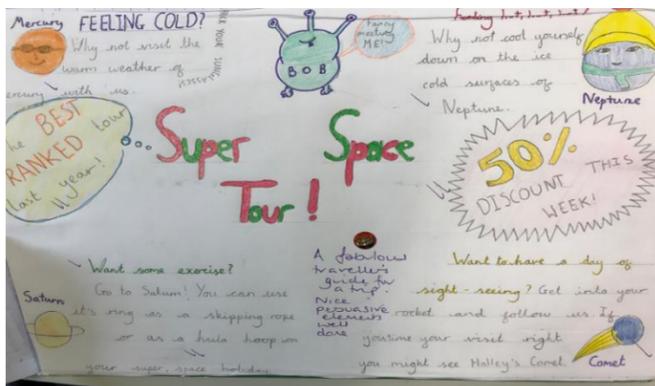
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Year 5 - Rundell



Year 5 – Rundell have had a busy and exciting half term. The children have stepped up and should be proud that they have shown they can meet the demands of our Year group.

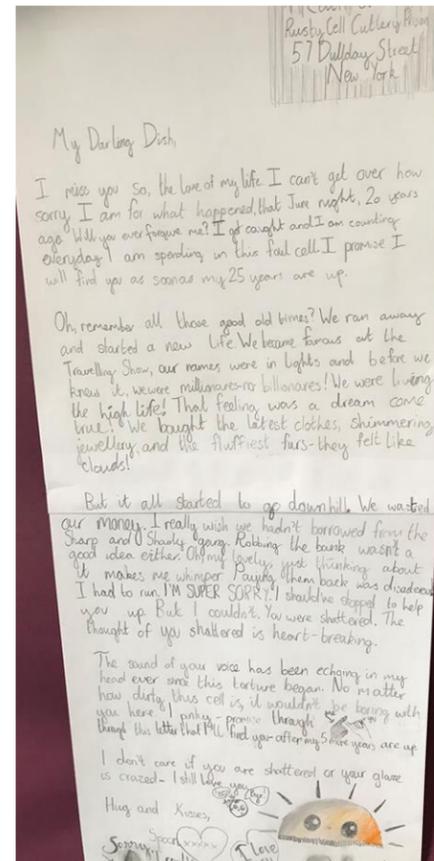
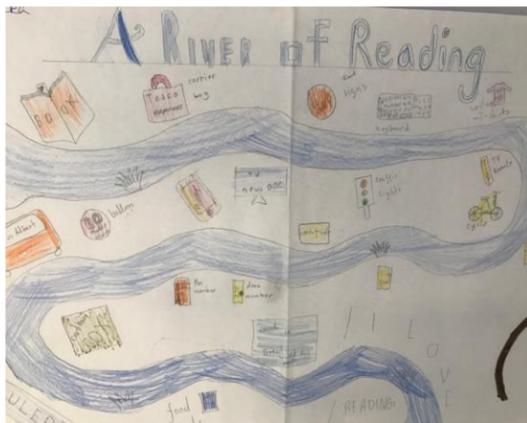
Here are just a few examples of the high standard of work being produced.



This half term we have been using the picture book *The Dish and the Spoon* by Mini Grey as a writing stimulus and have had fun writing love letters, news reports of a bank robbery and scripts for reporters.

The children have been developing their leadership skills in PE and produced fabulous art in our collaborative Autumn Art day (a lovely sunny day outside!).

Science has blasted off with our exciting Space topic and the children have used drama to develop their understanding of our galaxy. A marvellous start to the year, we think you'll agree.



Year 6 - Tan

Our Year 6 - Tan pupils have settled in well as the oldest pupils of the school. They are enthusiastic to learn and have been great role models.

The children are currently learning about World War Two and have completed work around the 'Blitz' and 'evacuation'. They are currently reading a popular classic: *Goodnight Mr Tom*. This book has allowed the children to learn new vocabulary as well as develop higher level comprehension skills.

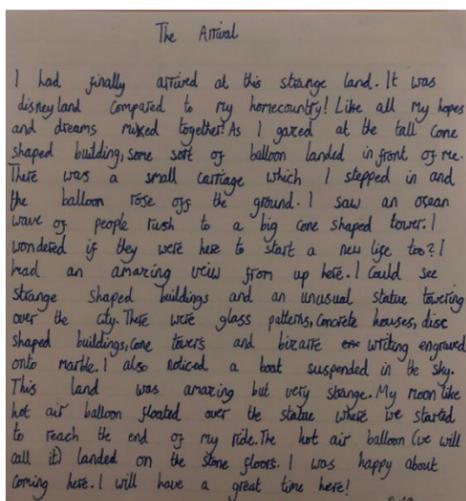


During 'Hello Yellow' Day last week they liked telling jokes, shared inspirational quotes and generally enjoyed each other's company. Overall, we have noticed just how kind and considerate they are being around each other – we hope this caring attitude continues.

The children have also been learning about Shaun Tan - our class author. They are currently looking at 'The Arrival' - a graphic novel that tells a story through pictures...so the children have been writing the words for him. So far, they have explored the setting and have completed some brilliant writing of their own.

It has been a wonderful start to the term – keep it up Year 6!

← 'The Arrival' by Ava



'The Blitz' by Ashwini

← Hello Yellow Day

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Goodbye from Mrs. Proctor

I have really loved my time teaching at Spring Grove and will miss everyone very much, all the children and staff have made this school such a happy, welcoming and exciting place to work, it truly is a special school. I would really like to thank all the parents for their support and appreciation they have shown towards me over the last few years and a huge thank you for the gifts and cards.

Although I am very sad to be leaving, I am looking forward to the next chapter in my life. I will be moving down to the Kent coast, where my new house backs on to a nature reserve and is one road from the sea, which has always been a dream of mine since I was a little girl. So as I always say to the children if you work hard enough "dreams can come true!"

Miss Proctor 😊



Fun Family Maths Challenge

Hi,
I'm Mrs Jasavala and I'm very excited to be here having joined Spring Grove Primary School in September this year. I currently teach Rauf class in Y4 and am also the maths lead. I've worked in primary education for over 20 years, including 10 years as a maths advisory teacher, so maths really is my passion! One of my aims is for every child and family in the school to share my love for mathematics, therefore I have decided to set a fun family maths challenge every fortnight.

The maths challenge will be printed in each newsletter, and we will also add it to Google Classroom in a folder called 'The Family Maths Challenge'. Your child can access this through their Google Classroom. This way I can assign the challenges and you can write back to share your findings if you would like to.

Mrs Jasavala

Fun Maths Fact

*Did you know that every odd number has the letter 'e' in it?
I bet you are all checking this right now.*

Here's the first challenge.

How **fast** does your **heart** beat? ??
How long does it take for your heart to beat 1000 times?

Helpful Hints

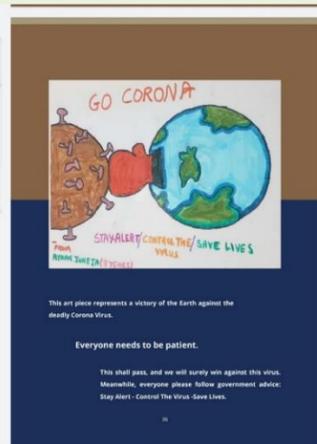
Find out how many times your heart beats in one minute, use this to calculate how many times your heart beats in an hour then a day. The best place to find your pulse is on your neck or wrist. Count the number of beats for 15 seconds and then multiply this by 4.



The Kindness Book

We have had several acts of kindness shown in school and want to say thank you and well done to those children.

In Year 3 Zephaniah, Genevieve has been very helpful and thoughtful towards her learning partner. She is always ready to help and is endlessly patient.



In Year 6 Tan, Naveed has been very kind towards a classmate. He has helped his friend learn his times tables and it has been lovely to witness such kindness and patience.

In year 5 Rundell, Dhyal was very kind to Mrs Kibblewhite and checked to see if she was okay as she had tripped over. Haifa has also shown consideration and kindness during a leadership lesson. Without making a fuss, she discreetly changed places with a child who was struggling to understand the task and made sure that everybody was okay.

Congratulations also go to Ayaan in Year 4 Horowitz for kindness that he has shown at home to a neighbour. His mum got in touch with me to let me know as she is so proud of him. Well done Ayaan – lovely to hear! Ayaan also had a piece of writing published in a book about experiences of lockdown.



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Hello Yellow Day

Friday 9 October

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUNG MINDS #HelloYellow day

We raised **£253.15**



Flu Nasal Spray Vaccination

- 7th December -

(Reception to Year 6)

The Hounslow School Age Immunisation Team will be providing the Flu Nasal vaccinations to pupils on 7th December. You will be contacted to get consent nearer the time.

Half Term Holidays

Monday 26th to Friday 30th October

Return to School on Monday 2nd November

Year 6 - Secondary School Admissions

Closing Date: 31st October 2020

Apply via [e-admission](#)

Reception 2021 Admission

Closing Date: 15th January 2021

Apply via [e-admissions](#)

Attendance – Autumn Half Term 1



1st Place – Year 4 Rauf (96%)

2nd Place – Year 2 Grey (95%)

3rd Place – Year 5 Rundell (94%)

