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The children are really enjoying the return of some of their clubs and it is an absolute pleasure to see them participating in the early morning Glow-Disco sessions with Miss Goddard and Active Girls with Ms King. We will also be participating in various sporting activities with other schools soon, as we know how much the children have missed this.

Bikeability for Year 6

Next week, children in year 6 will take part in the Bikeability initiative and will spend the week developing their cycling and road safety skills.

Trips & Visits

We are starting to receive details of various venues re-opening their doors for school visits. We would like to start offering trips again soon but only if safe to do so. A letter has recently gone out to KS1 parents about the possibility of a trip to **Windsor Castle**. Letters have also been sent to parents of the current Year 4 children to gauge interest in a residential trip to **Sayers Croft** in September. Please respond via Parentpay to register interest.

Relationship Sex Education (RSE) Consultations

We have sent out details of 2 parent consultations that we will be holding on our proposed Relationship Sex Education (RSE) curriculum. Again, please respond if you plan to attend on either 20th May or 24th May at 2.40pm. It is important for us to be clear on numbers so that we can arrange the meeting space appropriately to comply with social distancing requirements.

We have received a complaint from the manager of Kingfisher Court (the development by the back entrance to school) about anti-social behaviour from some of our families. Please be mindful of the need to take all litter home and to dispose of any cigarette butts in a bin and not on someone else's property. It is also not ideal to hear that groups of children from different bubbles are regularly playing in the small play area near Kingfisher Court after school for quite long periods. Please head home as soon as your child has been dismissed from school and ensure that they are not mixing with children out of their school bubble. We wish to maintain respectful and positive relationships with our neighbours – your cooperation with this would be appreciated.

Achievements



Congratulations also go to **Miss Goddard** who is the borough winner for **Nike's UK Active School Hero**.

A huge **well done and congratulations** to **Aarav in Year 4 Horowitz** who has been selected for Middlesex Borough championship squad for 2021 for U10 cricket. We are so proud of him.

Acts of Kindness

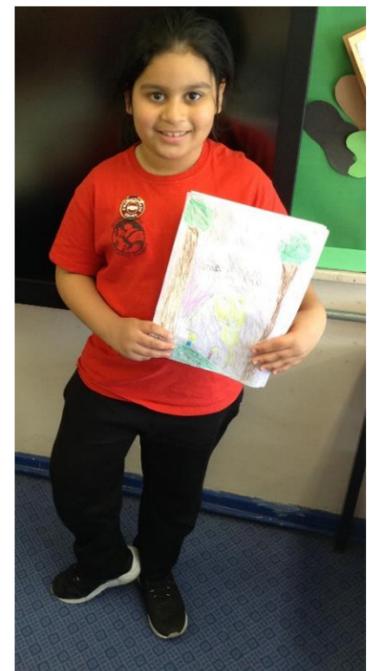
Daniel in Year 3 has the biggest smile and the most cheerful manner! He always says hello to people and is very polite and well mannered. He is an absolute delight to know and spend time with. Well done Daniel!



Beans in Reception

We have been growing our own broad beans in bags. Children have been observing and making their mini bean diaries. We read an amazing book called the Oliver's Vegetables.

Children explored new tastes after taste testing all the vegetables mentioned in the book.



A writing superstar in Year 2 - Grey

Aliya is a writing superstar! Year 2 have been planning a story in their boosting sessions, thinking about all the ways they can be more successful writers. Aliya took all of the ideas that we talked about in school and went home to write and illustrate her own story. We were so amazed with her effort, we knew she had to share her lovely story with Mrs Colley, who was equally impressed!

Year 3 – Zephania



We have been having great fun learning about Queen Elizabeth I in our history lessons! We found out that she was a huge fan of Shakespeare's plays.



We also looked at interesting facts of Queen Elizabeth I's reign, trying to guess the significance of pictures – thinking historically.



Maria's point of view of Helena

Maria (Year 3) has planned in detail and created a lovely short piece of writing in our English lessons. We have been writing from the point of view of Helena in A Midsummer Night's Dream. She has used a lovely array of vocabulary and also included similes in her writing.



We matched pictures from the Elizabethan times to current day.

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Junior Traffic Ambassadors Audit

The JTA have recently carried out an audit of the use of Star road. They have discovered that since the installation of the cameras, far fewer cars are parked outside.

They did, however, note that adults and children walk, scoot and ride on the road. The JTAs request that scooters and bikes are dismantled once on Star Road and that pedestrians use the pavement. This is a safe and sensible option.



Eco Warrior Song

(to the tune of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star)

Eco, eco little bin

Reduce, reuse let's begin.

Recycle your rubbish where you can,

Not in the sea and not on land.

Eco, eco little bin

Reduce, reuse let's begin.

By The Eco Warriors.

This will be a class competition!



Year 4 Horowitz took part in an interesting science investigation to explore ways of changing the pitch of sounds using straws! It was done in a safe, socially distance way and they had a lot of fun!



Parent Governor Vacancy

**Closing Date to submit your nomination is
Friday 21st May 2021**



Online Safety

Please continue to be vigilant and aware of apps, games and programmes that your children watch and play at home. We continue to have a number of children who are accessing apps and material that are inappropriate for their age. This impacts on their attitude and behaviour both in and out of school. If you have not already followed the school Facebook page, please consider doing so, as we post guidance and advice for parents on online safety

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Family Maths Challenge

Thank you so much every one of you who posted a solution for the last family maths challenge. I really enjoyed reading your solutions and the reasoning you presented. We really do have some amazing mathematicians at Spring Grove Primary School.

A special well done goes to **Aaliyah Malik, Krisha Bhatt and Anahat Mishra** with his dad, who both explained their strategies to solve this. Well done as you really did make this a family challenge.

Here is this fortnights 'Family Maths Challenge.' I am looking forward to reading your solutions.

Total 10

Here is a three-by-three grid of numbers

Cross out two numbers on the grid. The rest of the numbers in each row and column must total 10.

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| 7 | 3 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 4 |
| 3 | 1 | 6 |

I'm looking forward to reading your answers. Enjoy!

COVID 19 Updates

NHS Advice

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Testing in Hounslow

Book a test at www.hounslow.gov.uk/rapidtest or call 020 7084 9697.

Vaccination centres in Hounslow

<https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/homepage/223/vaccination-centres-in-hounslow>

Symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a high temperature, a new, continuous cough and a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.

More information - <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>

TERM DATES - Summer 2021

| | | |
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| Half Term Break | Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th June | Closed |
| Return to School | Monday 7 th June | Open |
| Last Day of Term | Friday 23 rd July – School closes at 1.30pm | Open |
| 2021-22 TERM DATES – See Page 5 | | |

The Family Food Club

A huge thank you to our parent Mrs MacLure and her team of volunteers who provided hot nutritious meals over the Easter holidays to some of our school community. The Family Food Club, based at St John's Church, bought families together giving them an opportunity for them to get to know each other and receive packs of food to help them during this time.

This incredible group of volunteers are now planning to run another Family Food Club over the summer holidays, so watch this space!



The first Family Food Club at St John's Church ran over the Easter Holidays. Each Wednesday, we served hot, nutritious meals to families in our community who were looking for a helping hand. We also distributed 12 family packs in the first week, rising to 14 in the second week. The infographic attached gives the total figures - a really encouraging start for this pilot phase.

However, it was not just about the food. We wanted to create a welcoming - even festive - atmosphere so that families felt valued and honoured. In the second week, the weather improved, restrictions eased, so we were able to host families on our front lawn. It was great to see the children playing and parents getting to know each other. We received fantastic feedback from the families and the helpers. Below are some quotes and attached are some photos.

We could not have done it without you! Your support in promoting helped build trust so that families felt encouraged to attend. We are now in a position to plan for the Family Food Club over the Summer holidays. The core team are committed to increasing our capacity whilst ensuring we maintain our relational approach. So, watch this space! We will be in touch soon to share more details.



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Term and Holiday Dates

2021-2022

| AUTUMN TERM 2021 | | |
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| Inset Day | Wednesday 1 st September | Closed |
| First Day of Term | Thursday 2 nd September | Open |
| Half Term Break | Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October | Closed |
| Inset Day | Monday 1 st November | Closed |
| Return to School | Tuesday 2 nd November | Open |
| Last Day of Term | Friday 17 th December - school closes at 1.30pm | Open |
| Christmas Break – Monday 20th December to Monday 3rd January | | Closed |
| SPRING TERM 2022 | | |
| Inset Day | Tuesday 4 th January | Closed |
| First Day of Term | Wednesday 5 th January | Open |
| Half Term Break | Monday 14th to Friday 18th February | Closed |
| Inset Day | Monday 21 st February | Closed |
| Return to School | Tuesday 22 nd February | Open |
| Last Day of Term | Friday 1 st April- school closes at 1.30pm | Open |
| Spring Holiday Break – Monday 4th to Monday 18th April | | Closed |
| SUMMER TERM 2022 | | |
| Inset Day | Tuesday 19 th April | Closed |
| First Day of Term | Wednesday 20 th April | Open |
| May Day | Monday 2 nd May | Closed |
| Half Term Break | Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June | Closed |
| Return to School | Monday 6 th June | Open |
| Last Day of Term | Friday 22 nd July - school closes at 1.30pm | Open |

Please note:

On the last day of each term (17th Dec, 1st Apr, 22nd July) school closes at 1.30pm and there is no Sunshine Club in the afternoon on these three days.

Please remember to book your holidays during school holidays. Term time holidays are not authorised and can lead to prosecution or a fixed penalty fine.



GET TESTED today

The chance of a return to normal life on June 21st is not one any of us want to miss.

Hounslow still has one of the highest rates of infections in London.

With schools re-opening on Monday 8th March there will be more contact between families as parents/guardians drop off and collect children from school. Teachers will be taking part in testing twice a week and we want parents to support this effort by accessing our FREE Rapid COVID testing in the community.

Around 1 in 3 people who have COVID-19 don't show any symptoms and can spread it without knowing. We are encouraging ALL parents/guardians who will be taking children to school to get a COVID-19 test. Our centres are open 7 days a week.

What do you need to?

Book a test at www.hounslow.gov.uk/rapidtest or call: 0207 084 9697

Test sites open 7 day a week for people with out symptoms

- Heston Library New Heston Road, Hounslow TW5 0LW
- Hounslow House 7 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EB
- Isleworth Library Twickenham Road, Isleworth TW7 7EU
- Staines Rugby Club Snakey Lane, Feltham TW13 7NB

If you have symptoms book a test here <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or call 119

You might be eligible for support if you need to self-isolate. To find out if you qualify visit:
<https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/hub>

Helps us safely release restrictions and get our children back to school