



Half term has arrived and we hope that all of the children are able to enjoy a restful and relaxing break. They have all worked so hard over the past seven weeks and should feel proud of their efforts and achievements.

We held Achievement Assembly this morning and were thoroughly impressed by both the work and behaviour that was being celebrated. We were shown some home-made and home-designed instruments that pupils in **Year 2 Grey** have created as part of their work during Black History Month. Special credit must go to **Zac** and **Ayan** who have both shown such creativity and innovation with their instruments. Well done to them both. Several children were also recognised for showing resilience and determination in their work - they truly are living The Spring Grove Way! Keep it up Spring Grovers; we are proud of you all.

Changes to 2021/2022 TERM DATES

London Borough of Hounslow has advised us that the school will be used as a polling station on **Thursday 5th May 2022**.

Please note the following changes to 2021/2022 Term Dates to include the polling day.

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Star Road & School Street

As you will be aware Star Road is part of the School Street scheme and between the hours of **8.15-9.15am and 2.45-3.45pm** should not be used by car users other than residents and staff on school business. Star Road has not however been pedestrianised. There have been a couple of occasions when some adults have become annoyed with residents needing to use the road. Please stand on the pavement and keep your child next to you. We do not wish to have any accidents or injuries amongst our community. Our Junior Travel Ambassadors will be looking at ways that our school community can stay safe whilst using Star Road in the morning and afternoons.

Family Maths Challenges

Rangoli Pattern

These patterns are used during Diwali - the colours follow a strict pattern.

Can you finish this one?

Is it symmetrical? Can you design one?

A Rangoli is a colourful design made on the floor near the entrance to a house to welcome guests. At Diwali, Hindus draw them to encourage the goddess Lakshmi to enter their homes. Use the coloured segment as a guide to complete the pattern.



Non-Uniform Day

Total amount raised **£355.00**

The children have enjoyed coming to school in non-uniform today and we are very grateful to you all for the generous contributions towards Great Ormond Street Hospital, the organisation that we are raising funds for today. In assembly, Mrs Tyler explained to the children about the care and amazing work that GOSH do for sick children. We all wish her good luck in the marathon walk that she is doing the last weekend of half term. If you would like to sponsor her please follow the link provided.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kelly-tyler3>

NURSERY



Wow, **Nursery** have had such a great first half term - very busy but such fun! For many of our Nursery children it is the first time they have been away from our family, this has been heightened by the recent pandemic so we have spent, and will continue to spend a lot of time on building relationships with the teachers and their peers. The children are building their independence and are now beginning to put their own shoes on and off, putting their own coat on and taking it off and using the toilet without support.

As well as accomplishing these massive milestones and making friends the Nursery children have been taking part in a lot of different activities. Our focus this term has been Nursery Rhymes. So far they have learnt 'Baa baa black sheep', 'Humpty Dumpty' 'Incey Wincey' 'Little Bo Peep' and 'Rain rain go away'. We have enjoyed making up our own versions of these songs - some of them have been very silly! Adhiraj wrote "miaow, miaow red cat have you any wool, no sir, no sir, no bags full!"



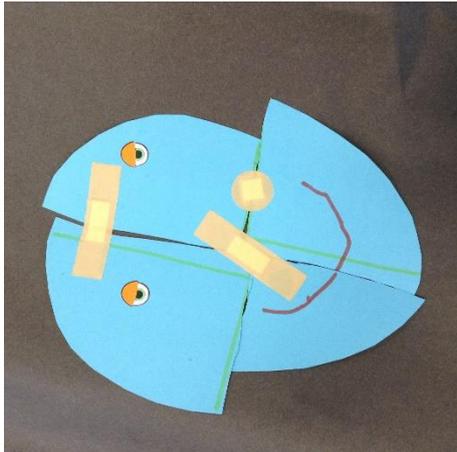


Nursery were lucky enough to have a visit from Humpty Dumpty! He was sad because he kept falling off of his wall and needed some help! The children in Nursery were kind enough to explore different things that they could put at the bottom of the wall to stop him from cracking. They explored the words hard and soft and worked well as a team to find an answer to Humpty's problem. Advita said "I have an idea" Nathan responded "we can use glue!" Enam thought this activity was "so fun!" Great team work Nursery!

We have been building our muscles to support our writing. We enjoy Write Dance where we move our arms to music. We are working on using really big strong arms. We have enjoyed playing the game - stop the water from getting to the drain. We needed to use our mops and brushes to use big arm movements to stop the water! Some of the children worked with Mrs Berry to make a moving car - they used the rope to pull themselves along and last week we had a first visit to "the park" (the large equipment in the main school). Climbing and pulling ourselves up on the equipment also helps us to build muscles. These are just a few ways that we have enjoyed building our shoulder, elbow and write muscles ready to support our writing.

Nursery love reading! Everyday we enjoy class storytime. After storytime the children enjoy reading the adults a story too. Samuel read Bumpers Jumpus Dinosaurumpus, "Swish, swish, roar, roar, roar. Aaah! It's a t-rex, It's a T-rex! Roar! Jump, jump, jump, aah so sweet. Oh Whoosh, whoosh. Let's get this party started! Oh, no it scare me! Oh no!" (He shut the book quickly). We love listening to the children reading us stories too!

This week the children had a problem - all the sheep had escaped from their pen! They said the rhyme "Little Bo Peep has lots of sheep, she counts them every day. She likes it when she gets to (number) and all are safe away! The children had to



collect the sheep and put the right number away in the pen - they were not allowed to touch the sheep though - cue some great problem solving and number work!

All of the Nursery teachers are so proud of each and every child in Nursery. They have been amazing this first

half term and we look forward to some more amazing learning and making more memories for them and their families over the year! **Thank you and well done Nursery!**



Meet our School Midday Supervisors

Mrs Bala



My name Mrs Bala. I work as a School Midday Supervisor and as a Play Worker at Sunshine Club. I have been with the school for over 6 years. During my spare time I listen to music and go for long walks.

Mrs Barratt



My name Mrs Barratt. I joined Spring Grove in January 2020. I especially enjoy interacting with the children at lunch time. In my spare time I enjoy playing Football.

Mrs Carter



My name is Mrs Carter. I have worked at Spring Grove for seven years at lunch time and I am also a Play worker at Sunshine Club. I enjoy the opportunity to work with a wide range of ages at school. In my spare time I enjoy a bit of gardening.

Mrs Farah



My name is Mrs Farah and I have been working here for the last five years. I love working with children and enjoy the welcoming staff and school atmosphere. I love reading and exploring ancient history around the world.

Mrs Mesquita



I am Mrs Mesquita and have worked here for the last two years. I enjoy working as there is always delightful atmosphere around and everybody is valued and treated equally. I feel extremely lucky to be part of this amazing school.

Mrs Simoes



My name is Ms Simoes and I have worked with children in various capacities for most of my life. This is my fifth year at Spring Grove. I am lucky enough to look after everyone from Reception, KS1 and KS2 during their time of rest and play. As an SMSA you get to interact with every class and every member of staff. It's a pleasure to watch the children grow over the years, seeing their social skills develop and their individual personalities come through too. In my spare time I enjoy reading, drawing, painting, photography, travelling and hiking. I also spend a lot of time taking my fluffy dog on walks.

IMPORTANT DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2021

October	Monday 25 th to Friday 29 th	Half Term Break
	Sunday 31 st	Closing Date for Secondary School Applications
November	Monday 1 st	Inset Day (School Closed)
	Tuesday 2 nd	Return to School
	Tuesday 9 th	Parents' Evening
	Thursday 11 th	Parents' Evening
December	Friday 17 th	Last Day of Term - school closes at 1.30pm
Christmas Break - Monday 20th December to Monday 3rd January		

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Applying for Secondary School September 2022

Closing Date - 31st October 2021

Visit

https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20032/secondary_admissions/1907/apply_to_transfer_to_secondary_school

All children in Year 6 should apply.

Applying for Reception September 2022

Closing Date - 15 January 2022

Visit

https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20028/primary_admissions/1906/primary_school_admissions

All children in Nursery should apply.