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Spring Grove Sports News



Earlier this week, the year 6 boys took part in the Hounslow Borough Kwik cricket competition at Indian Gymkhana. We won 2 matches and narrowly lost the last match by just a few runs! Well played boys!

Spring Grove managed to qualify to the Hounslow Borough Year 5 and 6 Quadkids finals on 19th May, which involved each child taking part in 2 track events (75 metres and a grueling 600 metres run) and 2 field events (howler and standing long jump). The team did extremely well in the Borough Finals and came second which means, Spring Grove will now represent Hounslow Schools in the **West London Games** on 21st June. This is a great achievement for a small school like ours. Well done team!

NURSERY—INKPEN

Nursery have had a very busy start to the Summer term. We have celebrated the King's Coronation and begun our work learning about real life superheroes.

The King's coronation



Our street party celebration

We held our own Coronation where two children were crowned King and Queen of Nursery. We paraded, we crowned and we celebrated with our own 'street party'! We then learnt about the King's values and what he wants for the world. We learnt about recycling and looking after the natural world. We have made pledges of what we will do to help the world be a better place for everyone.



The King and Queen after the coronation

Superheroes

So far, we have learnt about: doctors, nurses and paramedics, builders, refuse collectors and police. We were lucky enough to have a visit from a police officer and the fire fighters- this has only happened this week so you will need to wait until next half term for those photographs! We have had such fun and we look forward to carrying on our superhero learning after half term.



Being Builders!



Being Electricians!



Making a home for worms!

RECEPTION—MCKEE

Reception have been building on their prior learning from earlier in the year and have been exploring life cycles- this time looking at caterpillars and butterflies! Our classroom caterpillar area has prompted lots of interesting discussion and vocabulary. The class have enjoyed making predictions and talking about the changes they might see and when they think those changes will take place. We can't wait to see what we come back to after half term!



The caterpillars have also sparked interest in other minibeasts and the children have loved looking for them in our garden area. We will build on this and explore minibeasts further after half term.



Reception have really enjoyed using games to build maths knowledge and have been playing lots, including: 'Race to 20' game, 'Snakes and Ladders' and 'Bingo'! The class have also enjoyed exploring larger numbers and spent a day learning all about 100, talking about what's 'inside' 100 and creating their own collections of 100 items using 10 tens frames.



As part of our PSHE learning, the children have been thinking about how to keep healthy, specifically how to take care of our teeth! We have been reading books all about oral hygiene and celebrating the children's positive dental habits. The class discussed and wrote about ways to keep our teeth strong and healthy, including brushing twice a day, eating foods high in calcium and visiting the dentist regularly.

YEAR 1—DONALDSON

What a term we have had! We have been very busy with our topic on growing! We started by looking at trees and flowers and identified the different parts. The children have drawn and painted their own



tree. They created a bark rubbing and took photos of them. This links to our artist **Karl Blossfeldt**, a German photographer.



We have also looked at the different parts of the plants we eat and created our own plant! We learnt about the development of humans and what we need to keep healthy and safe. After sorting, we peeled, cut, sliced and cooked the different fruits and vegetables and the children got the chance to try them...the potatoes were a big hit, hope they like their own grown ones when we harvest them!



We looked at different animals and their babies. We learnt the different names that baby animals are called.....this was interesting! We finished by classifying animals into groups... The children did exceptionally well knowing four out of the five groups, which are; mammals, birds, reptiles, fish and amphibians. Can you guess the one group they didn't get!

They have grown various beans and potatoes and recording their changes and growth over the weeks, it has been fun but smelly! The children have enjoyed watching the changes,

Have a great half term!



YEAR 2—GREY

We have had a brilliant start to the final term in Year Two!

We started off the term with a visit to **Woburn Safari Park**, which the children absolutely loved! The children learnt a lot about animals, and one of their favourite parts was the road safari, as the children were able to see the giraffes, elephants, lions and tigers.



The children have also enjoyed learning about the King's Coronation and dressing up in their own clothes from their culture.



Throughout the month of May, we completed the **Key Stage One Statutory Assessments (SATs)**, and these are now completed. Well done to all of the children for working hard to complete them!

In writing, we have written a story, newspaper report and instructions linked to Traction Man. The children have thoroughly enjoyed all the writing we have done. Towards the end of the half term, we wrote a recount of our Safari Trip.

YEAR 3—ZEPHANIAH

We have had some fun filled few weeks in Year Three. We have continued to enjoy our weekly recorder lessons and we've been amazed at how confident the children have become at being able to read sheet music, so far we have learnt to play a range of songs using the notes b,a and g. In Science, we have learnt about the human skeleton and the important role it plays. We also have learnt how to conduct an investigation thinking about we can record our results- we created pictures, block graphs and tables. We then started to learn about the properties of different animals and grouped them according to their features. We have also been learning about the different parts of a flowering plant and have conducted a class investigation to prove the function of a stem.

We shouldn't forget our class assembly at the start of the term- we were so impressed with all the children's acting and performances. They did a fantastic job portraying the different Greek Gods we had learnt about last term. In PE, we have been improving our athletics skills in readiness for sports day and are currently learning to play rounders by developing our ball skills and hitting abilities. We also enjoyed our themed coronation day, where we all took part in the whole school crown making competition, Well done to **Cameron** as he was chosen as our class winner for all his efforts. As part of our coronation celebrations we learnt about one of **King Charles III** core values- sustainability. We spent some time thinking about how we can be responsible for the environment and the part we play in creating a better future for us all.



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YEAR 4—RAUF

It really has been an incredibly action packed first half of our Summer Term for Year Four Rauf.



It all started with a fantastic trip to the **Verulamium Museum**, in St. Albans, to kick start our history topic about the Romans. The children had a fabulous time including handling some real life artefacts from Roman times and trying to work out what they were used for!



In Science, we have been learning about how sound is made and how we hear. We also did a fun investigation on how to make high and low sounds creating our own tuneful straws!!

In English, we are enjoying our class reading book, **The Boy At the Back of the Class**, and have had good discussions and researched about what it means to be a refugee.



Photo and news about Thames Young Mariners >>> PTO

Year 4 Trip to Thames Young Mariners



The main highlight of our term has been an overnight stay at the **Thames Young Mariners Centre**. 22 members of Year Four Rauf took part in four main water sport activities that included kayaking, bell boating, raft building and paddle boarding. They also learnt water safety. In the evening, we had a lovely campfire where we sang songs and told funny jokes! The children thoroughly enjoyed the trip!



YEAR 5—MORPURGO

We have had a busy half term in Year Five! In English, we have started our new book, **Rooftoppers**, and have created news reports to report on an event in the story and persuasive letters in the role of a character in the story. We have enjoyed discovering more about the characters in the story and can't wait to see what happens next.

In Maths, we have been learning about angles. We have learnt how to measure angles with a protractor and recall angle facts to find missing angles on a line and around a point. We have also been naming 2D and 3D shapes and identifying their properties using mathematical vocabulary.

In Science, we have been learning about human and animal development. We have created graphs to show and compare the gestation periods of different animals.



In Geography, we have been learning about Rivers and where they are located around the world and in the British Isles. We have also been using ordnance survey maps in Geography to locate the source and mouth of the River Thames, as well as finding different places on the key.

In Art, we have begun our study of 'Turner'. We visited **Turner's House** in St Margarets to find out more about him, sketch artefacts and create our own watercolour paintings.



YEAR 6—EARLE

What an amazing term we've had in Six Earle! The children have worked tremendously hard to prepare for their SAT's and they are finally complete! The children are now feeling relieved and we are so proud of their achievements.

The children have excelled in their writing efforts and have enjoyed working in groups to support each other and share ideas. We have been writing from the perspective of another character and their viewpoints. The children were able to bring their writing to life using ambitious vocabulary. In mathematics, we are currently working on real life projects. At the moment we are completing a project called 'The Bakery.' During this project, the children will learn to apply their knowledge about ratio and proportion, best value, profit and loss to solve a range of problems. We are still going strong in P.E, where we have been developing our tennis skills and using our tactics in a game. In PSHE, we have been discussing how to maintain a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

YEAR 6—LEWIS

We have finally sat our SATs and the children in Six Lewis were absolutely amazing.... not just in their efforts during the papers, but also in the way in which they conducted themselves around the school calmly. Well done to you all!

In English, we are continuing to work on our writing in class and this half term we have been writing a narrative from a dog's perspective, a character that is Rescued by Rover from our current class text.

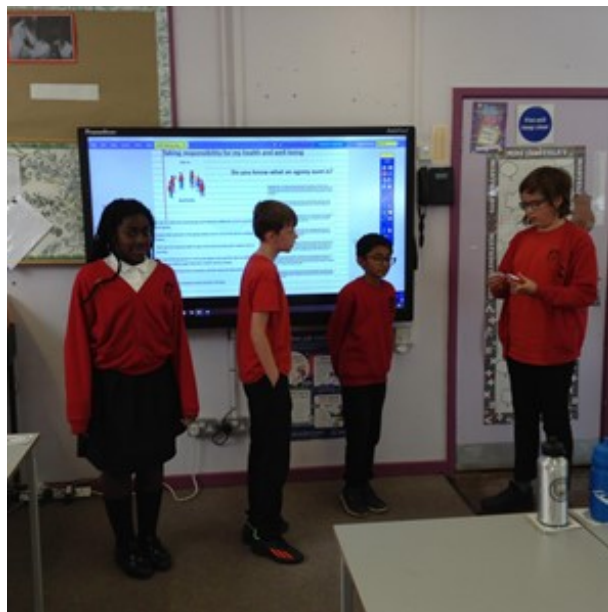
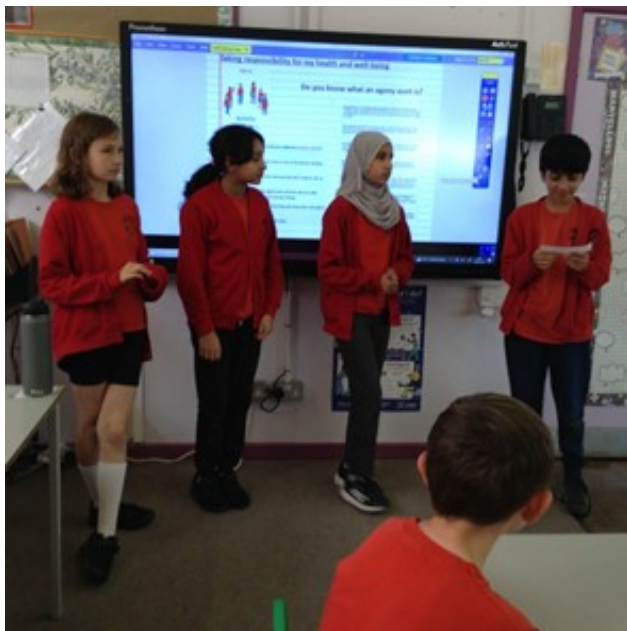
In Mathematics, we are working on different projects. At the moment we are doing a project called 'The Bakery.' Here we are learning to apply our understanding of ratio and proportion, best value, profit and loss to solve a range of real life problems.

In Science, we got down close to nature and investigated some of those tiny 'critters' in our school grounds, in order to create some classification keys.

In PSHE, we are working on our next puzzle piece, which is called 'Healthy Me.' We are learning about how to keep safe and healthy. For one of the lessons we were given a scenario where we had to give advice.

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YEAR 6—LEWIS



In PE, we are playing cricket and we have been focusing on developing the skills which are needed to play, in particular our batting, bowling and fielding skills.

Melissa from Transport for London also ran a workshop in preparation for Secondary school. It was very helpful-especially in terms of us keeping safe.



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