



SPRING GROVE

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 3

Friday 24th October 2025



Winter Uniform Reminder

As we move into the colder months, please ensure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather.

Daily uniform:

- ✓ Warm coat, Black/Grey School Trousers, White Polo T-Shirt, Red Jumper/Cardigan and Black School Shoes
- ✗ Leggings, Tracksuit Bottoms, Trainers, Open-toe foot wear

PE days only:

- ✓ Trainers or Plimsolls, Black Tracksuit Bottoms— should **only** be worn on your child's designated PE day

Hair Accessories

We have noticed some children wearing non-standard hair accessories. To maintain consistency, please ensure hair accessories follow our uniform policy:

- ✓ Simple red ribbon
- ✓ Plain red or black headband
- ✗ Large decorative bows, flowers or elaborate hairbands

Children also should not wear the following items to school

- ✗ Earrings (only small studs can be worn)
- ✗ Nail Polish

Latest from Year 4 Rauf ...

Welcome back to the new school year! We have just completed the first half of the autumn term, and what a busy eight weeks it has been! Year Four has settled wonderfully into their new classroom and have been involved in some fantastic learning experiences.

This term we have been learning;

History - Ancient Egypt

The children have been fully immersed in learning about Ancient Egypt. We had a special visit from 'The History Man', which was absolutely brilliant! The children were so engaged that we ran out of time to complete all the activities. They explored:

- Ancient Egyptian games
- Travel and trade
- Flour making
- Door seals
- Dress-up activities

The children asked lots of questions and their enthusiasm was wonderful to see.



ICT and Computing

We have been learning to code. The children have also created Green Cross Code posters and these will be used by our Junior Travel Ambassadors when working with younger children.

Science

We have had a very hands-on term with lots of exciting experiments, including;

Ice cube investigation: Testing how long ice cubes take to melt in different water temperatures, then observing what happens to the water after melting

States of matter: Playing games to learn about solids, liquids and gases (this was so popular the children asked for it to be added to Google Classroom!)

Chocolate melting experiment: Comparing white, milk and dark chocolate - making predictions, investigating, recording results and explaining our reasoning. We even left them overnight to see what happened!

Gas experiment: The messiest experiment of all. We went outside to see what happens when you add mentos to a fizzy drink!

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Outdoor Learning

Over the summer, we were fortunate to have new outdoor areas developed, including: mud kitchens, digging areas, den making spaces and discovery zones

Every year group has explored these areas, and Year Four has particularly enjoyed working in them alongside Year Two. It has been great to see the children collaborating across year groups.

We have added a regular Outdoor Learning slot to our timetable. This half-term we've focused on:

- **PSHE:** Developing teamwork skills
- **History:** Ancient Egypt

Design Technology

Construction: The children have been building their teamwork skills progressively - starting in their own house groups, then working with two houses together, and finally the whole class working together to create a pyramid! This has been both challenging and enlightening, with some children keen to design structures and others creating leaf chains during playtimes and lunchtimes to cover the walls.

Road Safety

Year Four took part in pedestrian crossing training, going out in groups to learn about road safety, different types of crossings and how to use the Green Cross Code.



Congratulations and a big well done go to our new Eco Representatives and School Council Representatives – we are very proud of you!

Finally, thank you to all parents and carers who attended 'Meet the Teacher' and parents' evening. Your support is greatly appreciated.

IMPORTANT DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Monday 27th to Friday 31st October	Half Term Holidays
Monday 3rd November	Return to school
Wednesday 12th November	School Photo Day (Individual and Siblings)
Tuesday 18th November	Year 3 trip to The Natural History Museum
Tuesday 9th December	KS2 Carol singing (parents are invited) timings to be confirmed
Thursday 11th December	Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativity Performance (parents are invited) timings to be confirmed
Friday 19th December	Last Day of Term - school closes at 1.30pm

IMPORTANT : Draper Close Access

A reminder for parents using the back gate via Draper Close:

Draper Close is a private road. Only residents and their approved visitors may drive on it. Driving on this road without permission is trespassing and is prohibited. We have received reports of parents following residents' cars through the gate.

Please respect our neighbours and do not drive onto Draper Close.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining good relationships with our local community.