

2nd December 2024

Dear parents and carers

STARS OF THE WEEK W/C 2.12.24

N-AM	YVON	3B	ALEXEY
N-PM	YAQUB	3H	QAMAR
RR	ROWAN	4P	HASNAIN
RS	ERMIYA	4SH	DAVID
1L	MELODY	5A	ANTONIO
1W	HAFSAH	5G	NYLA
2DM	HAFSAH	6F	FARIS
2F	ROBYN	6M	MARIAM
	PLM RAYAN		



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY W/C 25.11.24

Best Attendance ☺ **4SH 99.3%**

Special mention to 5A 99%

Best Punctuality ☺ **2F, 4P, 5A & 6F**

Class that needs to improve their attendance **RS 87.2%**

Class that needs to improve their punctuality **RS**

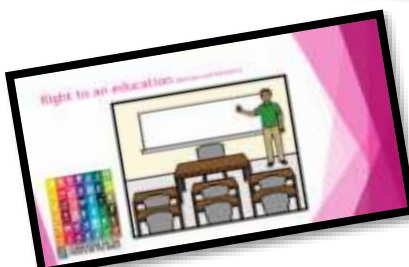
Overall School Attendance this year = 95.5%

HUMAN RIGHTS ASSEMBLY



Our Friday Assembly focussed on celebrating Human Rights. The children leading the assembly confidently told the very attentive children and parent/carer audience what our basic human rights are.

Leyla and a group of children told us why we need to promote and remember our rights:



The children in **Reception** sang a song about having rights, which they did really well!

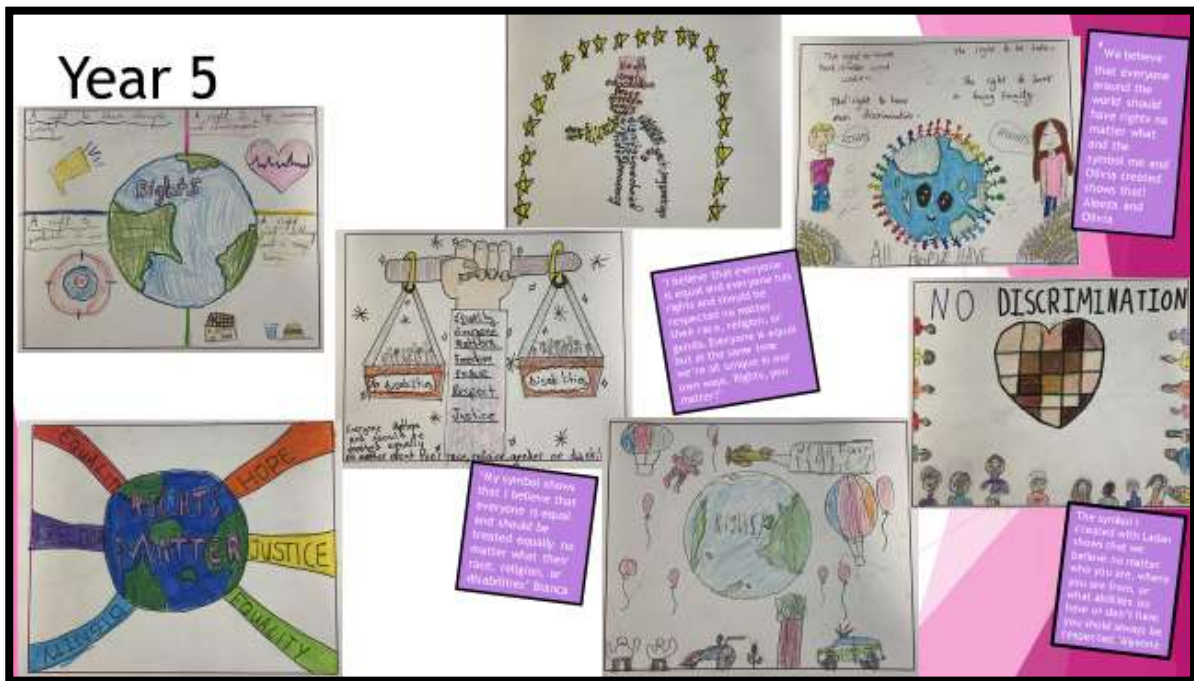
Year 6 shared what was happening across the world for groups of people sharing their inspiring stories who are contained within our Human Rights Passports:



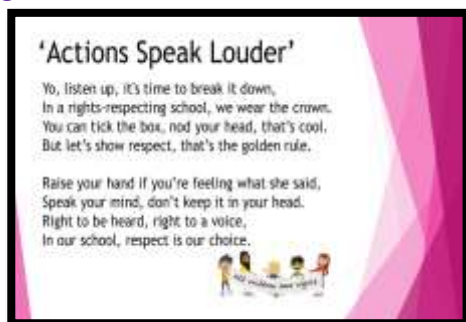
The **Nursery** children's video showed them singing their hearts out to 'We've all got rights!'

Year 5, in preparation for the assembly talked about the different Rights of the Child and what they meant to them. They discussed different rights and talked about how they were important and why they were good to have in the world.

They then created different symbols about the different rights they felt were the most important to them, such as having clear water, education, shelter, being safe and to not be discriminated against.



The whole school sang the song that Year 6 wrote with Ms Forbes and then recorded with Project Zero during the summer. It was very appropriate for our assembly and reminds us of being a Gold Rights Respecting School:



Children in **Year 2** then shared their rights posters i.e Article 31... You have the right to.... play and rest. Article 28....You have the right to...learn at school.

Year 1 shared those rights most important to them and lifted the globe to show they meant across the whole world....





Finally, the children reminded us about the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Miss Maltwood, at the end of the assembly, thanked Ms Spencer and all the adults and children for the wonderful assembly. She also reminded us as a Gold Rights Respecting School, we always remember the Rights of the Child and ensure through our Pupil Voice Groups their voices are heard to work with adults to continually have these at the forefront when trying to improve our school provision and community.

Here's what the parents had to say:

Thank you. What an inspiring assembly! We were very impressed by the school rights song – can we get a recording?!
It made me very proud seeing the children singing about their rights.
Very well put together and beautiful to watch and listen to the song.
Great assembly – I know lots more about my human rights.

UH OH - EDWIN ELF IS BACK!

We came in this morning to find that Edwin had made his usual showy entrance into South Grove, although it looks like he's been trying to get out of his elfy duties by going on holiday to Disneyland early – but Santa was having none of it! We are slightly worried about what will he be up to over the next few weeks – will he be naughty or nice? Here's what his letter said:

Hello South Grove

I'm back!!! Your school elf EDWIN

Hope you all had a good year and you are ready to get up to some mischief... oops I mean be on your best behaviour as Santa is watching your every step and knows if you have been good or bad.

The soldiers brought me here today as I wasn't trusted to come straight here – they heard a vicious rumor that I was planning a quick stop in Disneyland where I was going to challenge goody goody Mickey Mouse to an arm wrestle.

Santa says – NO HOLIDAYS TILL THE END OF TERM....

Miss school miss out!

Looking forward to spending time with you all

EDWIN x

Watch this space....



**MAKATON
SIGN
OF THE WEEK:
CHRISTMAS
TREE**



Last Week of Clubs

**THE
LAST
WEEK**

Next week is the last week for
after school clubs
HOWEVER...

Wrap Crew (Breakfast & After School Clubs)
will carry on till the end of term



The Friends of South Grove are running our annual Christmas raffle to raise much needed funds for our school. The draw will take place at the **Festive Family Disco on Wednesday 18th December – 3.30 – 5.30pm.**



Disco tickets are £1 each and it is open to the whole school, although Nursery and Reception children MUST be accompanied by an adult. Please note that accompanying adults must buy a ticket too.

Due to Health and Safety there are limited numbers for the disco tickets and there will be no entry without a ticket – so make sure you keep yours safe!



Raffle tickets are 1 for 20p, 5 tickets for £1.00. There are lots of wonderful prizes, but we are still asking for even more donations to make this a bumper event!!!!



The tickets for both the raffle and disco are on sale in the office from today, the Key Stage 2 playground this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and children can buy tickets at break time too...

Music trips

These trips are an integral part of the music curriculum, and we highly encourage all children to participate in these wonderful trips.

Year 4 - The Lion King Wed 15th January

At: The Lyceum Theatre

Time: 2:00pm-6:00pm (travelling by tube)

Year 5 - Young Voices 2025 22nd January

At: O2, Greenwich

Time: 2:00pm - approx 10:00pm (travelling by tube and returning by coach)

You can access the songs we are learning for the trip <https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/register-referral?code=NjcoNi8xNzMyODgwMTI3>

You can find details and sign up for both trips through ParentPay under the 'Communications' section or via the Google form sent to your email. For any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Forbes at musicbox@southgrove.waltham.sch.uk

Year 5 Anglo Saxon / Viking Day

To celebrate and consolidate the children's learning for the topic: "Were the Dark Ages Really Dark?" Year 5 will be having an 'Anglo Saxon/Viking day' next **Tuesday 10th December 2024**



Your child should come to school dressed as an Anglo Saxon or a Viking and ready to take part in fun filled Anglo Saxon/Viking activities.

Please bear in mind that due to the cost of living crisis, we would rather you reuse clothes which you already have. You might even be able to upcycle your Egyptian day/Roman day costume from Year 4. Remember December is cold so please wear a layer under your outfit (Vikings love vests!)

At 2:45pm on the day we would like to invite Year 5 parents and carers to come to the dining room where we will be showcasing the children's pieces of work from the day along with their London Landmarks projects so you can celebrate their learning!



Nursery Dress up Day – this Friday 6th December

To end their core book 'The Magic Train Ride' Nursery will have a dress up day on Friday 6th December. Come in dressed as someone from a magical world or in any other fancy dress you happen to have to hand. As with all our dress up days, there is no need to buy anything new.



For this dress up day, we would welcome a voluntary donation of £1, which will go towards our end of term party with the children.



Karate Club

This Friday - 6th December 3:15 - 4:15, parents and carers of

children in Karate club are invited to watch some or all of the lesson to see how they are getting on.



CLUB REMINDERS



This week only – No choir after school tomorrow Tuesday 3rd December – it will be on Thursday 5th December instead

ALSO –
NO ATHLETICS OR INVASION
GAMES THIS WEEK as Ms
White is still on Jury Service



**FAMILY
FESTIVE FUN
DAY**

WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER
3PM - 6PM
WALTHAMSTOW LIBRARY
HIGH ST, LONDON E17 7JN

FREE DROP-IN ACTIVITIES:
Meet Santa
Arts and crafts
Magic show
Storytelling session
Games and giveaways!

More information: bit.ly/familyfunwf

Waltham Forest

Advance Christmas Warning!

Christmas Concert

Thursday 19th December - 9.15am

Whole School Christmas Concert
– whole school singing
with choir leading the performance
All very welcome to join!



Reception, Year1 & Year 2 Nativity NEXT WEEK

Thursday 12th December 2.15pm

Friday 13th December 9.15am

Although everyone is very welcome, please can we ask that you come to just **one** performance (they are both the same) to enable as many people as possible can see their child perform.



Thank you for your Christmas Spirit!

With my very best wishes

J. Maltwood.

Julie Maltwood
Headteacher

STOP PRESS!

Tuesday 3rd December
Last chance to buy Owl
photos -
Nursery, Reception, Years 4&5

December

A child's right ...
to follow your own beliefs
and religion. (14)



Understanding

SOUTH GROVE LEARNING GALLERY!

Nursery

In Nursery we have been visiting exciting, far-off lands in our magic train, and the children have been doing a wonderful job of learning the story by joining in with the words and actions of its accompanying song. Currently we have visited the jungle, the deep sea and outer space! Who knows where the magic train will take us next week? We have also been mark making, both inside and out, as we made the most of the rainy weather by painting with water, and used the exciting big screen to practise our pen control.



Reception

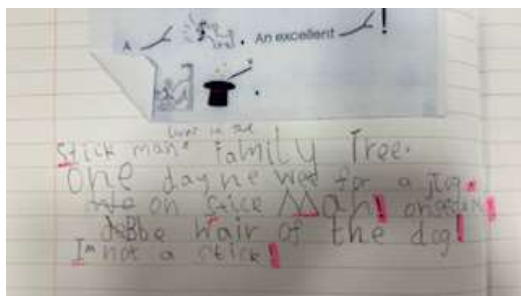
Last week in Reception, we created our own superheroes that would help to save our planet Earth. We learnt that as a result of some people doing the wrong thing, our planet is in trouble. Earth is becoming too HOT, dirty and the animal's homes are being destroyed. So our superheroes who could fly would help us to tidy up the world and help save the animals in trouble.

Finally, the children were devastated to find out that Phoenicia our class phonics friend had been taken by some dastardly villains and Spiderman set a challenge for the children to use their counting and number skills to measure some towers. Some were bigger or taller than others and some were shorter and some were the same! We hope she will come back soon!! We used our design and technology skills and made gadgets and wrist bands in the creative area.



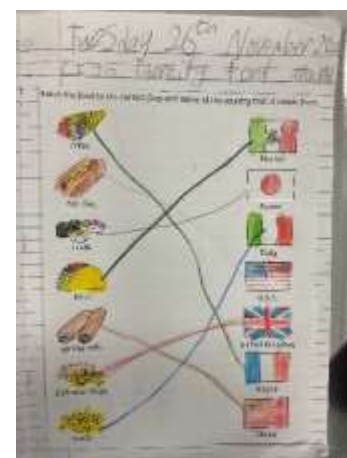
Year 1

Wow! Incredible writing Year 1. After learning the 'Stick Man' story by Julia Donaldson using a story Map and Talk for Writing strategies, Year 1 retold the story of Stick Man all by themselves. It is incredible how much progress they have made this half term already. What good foundations they made in Early Years and how resilient they are at attempting tricky things. We also furthered our Design and Technology skills by creating a moving picture of Stick Man using split pins to create movement. We are looking forward to creating a background and adding a mechanism to make them move like puppets.



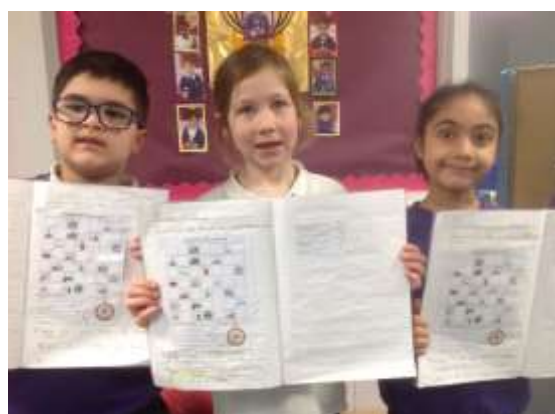
Year 2

In Year 2 last week: In PE we have been developing our hand, eye co-ordination skills and have been practising skipping. In Geography we have been looking at food from around the world. In Art, we designed a healthy packed lunch.



Year 3

In Year 3 last week, we learnt about the 8 compass points. We enjoyed learning a directions song and then we followed directions on a map. We even wrote our own directions using compass points.



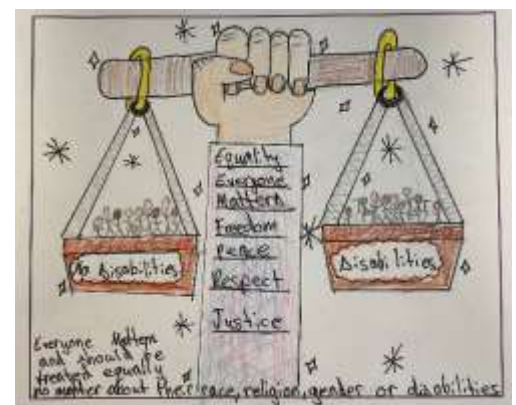
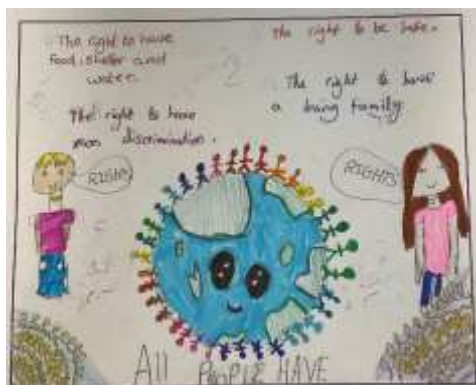
Year 4

Last week, Year 4 learned all about the digestive system. Learning about all of the organs involved was really intestine their memories—thankfully, they had the stomach for it! They were particularly impressed to find out that their stomachs contain an acid strong enough melt metal! Iron't you glad we've got a protective mucus layer to stop it melting *us*?



Year 5

To help us prepare for the whole school assembly on Human Rights, in Year 5 we talked about the different Rights of a Child and what they meant to us. We discussed different rights and mentioned how they were rights that we needed and why they were good to have in the world. We then designed a symbol that depicted a Human Right and talked about what it meant to us. We believe in Year 5 is that everyone should be recognised and treated fairly all around the world no matter where they are from or where they live.



Year 6

Last week Year 6 participated in the Institute of Imagination's 'Wild Cities' Workshop where we learned all about sustainable architecture and buildings across the world that have been inspired by different animals. We used what we learned to then create our own sustainable buildings made out of Lego and junk materials!

We used the animal and building type cards to create a frog inspired school, butterfly hospital and shark football stadium. We will be using what we made in the workshop as inspiration for our own homemade sustainable cities inspired by Brazil!



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NEWSLETTER

OUR LITTLE BUILDERS



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TOP NEWS

The children were building Anglo Saxon and Viking villages as part of their topic. They had enormous fun, even the adults!

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