



South Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER 21 2024-2025



24th February 2025

Dear parents and carers

STARS OF THE WEEK W/C 24.2.25

N- AM	MALI	3B	ZAINAB
N - PM	ADEN	3H	ZEESHAN
RR	MERULA	4P	SIMON
RS	JOSHUA	4SH	JOJO
1L	LEO	5A	LUQMAAN
1W	ZAHRA	5G	ZIDANE
2DM	AZAN	6F	LIAM
2F	ZAYNAB	6M	ZAKI

PLM BLAKE

SPORTS STARS - ANAYAH Y3 & ELIJAH Y1



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY W/C 10.2.25

Best Attendance ☺ **2DM 97%**

Best Punctuality ☺ **3H**

Class that needs to improve their attendance **RS 80%**

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

Overall School Attendance this year = 94.2%

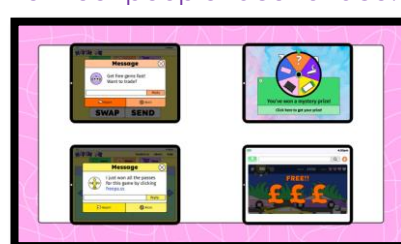
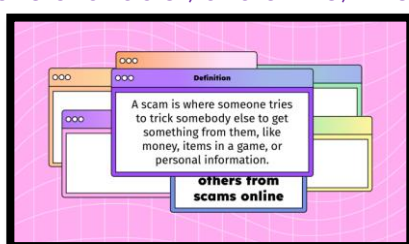
SAFER INTERNET DAY ASSEMBLY

On Friday 14th February we celebrated Safer Internet Day with the whole school.

Safer Internet Day is held every February all around the world. Last year, over 170 different countries celebrated the day! Safer Internet Day is a chance to think about any worries we might have about using technology and the internet, but it's also about celebrating all the fantastic things technology can help us with. Last year, over half of the children in the UK heard about or joined in with Safer Internet Day.

Our assembly started with the children recognising all the exciting and amazing things we can do online... the presenters discussed with the children who liked to play games, or chat with their friends. Maybe they use the internet to learn new things, or maybe they love watching videos. The Big Question was 'What's your favourite thing to do online or using technology?'

The theme for Safer Internet Day was online scams. The children gave their answers and were very knowledgeable with answers such a scam is where someone tries to trick somebody else to get something from them, like money, items in a game, or personal information. Scams can happen online when we're using technology, like a phone or a tablet, and offline, when we meet people face to face.



The assembly gave some really good tips about how to keep themselves safe online, what to look for and who to trust.



The final message that the assembly left all the children thinking and remembering was with the final slide. Let's finish by looking at this clever way to spot the signs of a scam!



Here's what the parents had to say:
Such a creative way to teach children online safety – well done!
I loved the song – powerful art - made me cry. Well done!

RRS articles for safer internet day



Article 19 (protection from violence, abuse and neglect): Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents or anyone else who looks after them.

Article 31 (leisure, play and culture): Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

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Girl's Football Tournament

On Thursday 13th February a small but confidently happy team of 8 girls from years 3 and 4 took part in a six-a-side football tournament representing South Grove wonderfully.

They demonstrated excellent teamwork and great determination in every game they played. Even the cold weather did not stop them from playing brilliantly! They won their first two games 1-0 then 2-0, lost their third game 2-0 and then drew their last game 1-1.

Well done girls - we were very proud of the way you played!



MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK:

BIRTHDAY



BOOKS NEEDED!

The Friends of South Grove will be holding a second hand book sale on Friday 7th March. If you are having a clear out they would love you to donate any children's books in good condition to the office or to members of staff at the gates.



PARENTS EVENING WILL BE ON THURSDAY 3RD APRIL – 3:30 – 8:30pm
PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR!



The next Parent Forum Meeting will be this Wednesday 26th February at 9:00am

All welcome to discuss the draft Parent Communication & Engagement policy

CLUBS START BACK THIS WEEK

The last week will be the week starting 24th March
Please remember that Cookery Club finished at the end of last half term and will not be on this half term.

Watch out for a letter coming soon about Gardening Club which will be with Ms Montgomery.



ASSEMBLY CHANGES — NOT ALL ON FRIDAYS BUT STILL AT 9:15AM AND ALL FAMILIES STILL WELCOME!

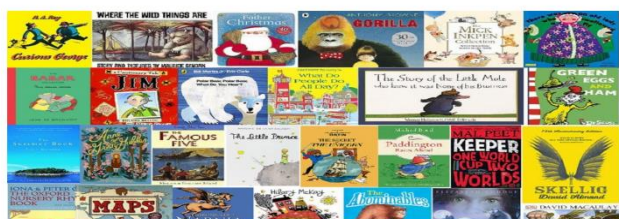
THURSDAY 6th March - World Book Day & Dress as a Book Character Day

14th March - Red Nose Day

21st March - 2DM Class Assembly

28th March - EID Assembly

4th April - Spring Concert



Come celebrate World Book Day dressed as your favourite book character

ON THURSDAY 6th MARCH

(rather than the Friday as previously advertised)

Look around your house for clothes and items from previous costumes you can reuse instead of buying a new outfit!

Families welcome to watch the assembly at 9:15am



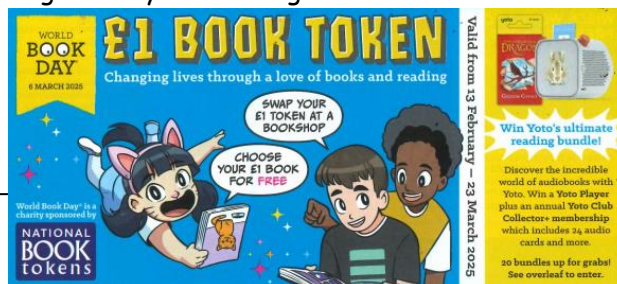
Don't miss this one!

World Book Day Token

All the children will be given a £1.00 World Book Day Token this week which can be exchanged at a book shop such as Waterstones or The Works, or at many supermarkets including Sainsburys, Tesco, Asda, and Lidl for one of the 12 special £1.00 World Book Day books from now until - 23rd March.

They can also be used as a £1.00 discount against any book priced £2.99 or more both at the shops or at our upcoming Book Fair - **13th - 18th March**

Let's get everyone reading!



Ramadan

As the holy month of Ramadan starts at the end of the week we know some of our older Muslim children may be fasting. Parents who wish to give permission for their child to fast during Ramadan whilst at School, will need to complete the google form (see the link below) this is for Years 5 & 6 only. Younger children are not expected to fast but if you wish them to do so you must collect them at lunchtime and take them home for the whole hour.

<https://forms.gle/BQfghdQG5rpBCuqV6>



With my very best wishes

J. Maltwood

Julie Maltwood
Headteacher

SOUTH GROVE LEARNING GALLERY!

Nursery

In the last week of the half term, the children in Nursery worked together brilliantly to make new beds for the bears from our story, Goldilocks and the Three Bears. They painted them, decorated them and thought about what could make a bed feel too hard, too soft or just right! Outside, the children also began running a toy shop, which we built together over the week, talking about how to use money and what a shopkeeper has to do.

Finally, to send off the half term, we all had porridge on Friday, which hopefully wasn't too hot or too cold, and had some tasty jam or honey stirred in. Yum!

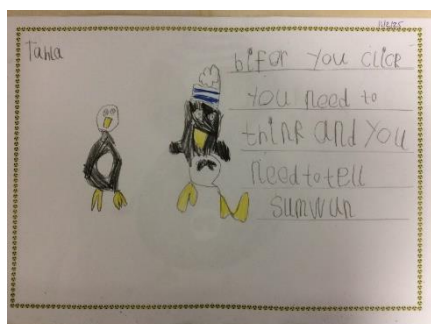


Reception

In the last week before the holidays, in Reception we continued learning about TRANSPORT and we continued the theme of design, after gaining inspiration from the Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Car and vehicles in the 'Wacky Races' and designed some vehicles of our own.

The children decorated and designed their own vehicles and used their phonics to label their designs. Some added rocket power boxes, umbrellas, kitchen appliances and an iPad in case they got bored.

Last week, we also took part in Safer Internet Day. The children loved their introduction to Smartie the Penguin, who taught them how to be safe on line. They wanted to share their learning with other children and made posters using their phonic knowledge and artistic skills. They also made Smartie penguins out of paper plates and playdough character models.



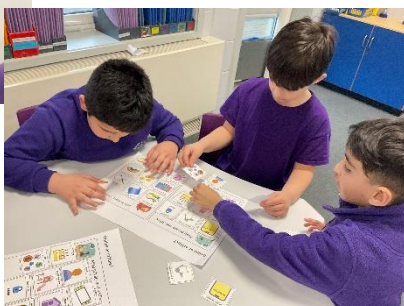
Year 1

Year 1 had a fantastic trip this week to the Science Museum, where they got to explore all sorts of materials in the Garden, and looked at patterns in the Pattern Pod. By spinning around in plastic tubing, the children explored what happened to their hair: it stuck up on end. This is due to static electricity caused by the friction between the hair and the plastic tubing. It was very fun to see the children's hair standing on end! They managed very well with the long journey although an early night was needed by all. Year 1 made sure they thanked the parents for helping support them on their trip.



Year 2

Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed 'Safer Internet Day'. One of our favourite activities was, to sort the cards into 'safe to share online' and to 'keep private and offline'. We loved designing our 'Digiduck and the Magic Castle' posters. We also really enjoyed the online quiz and got all the answers correct!



Year 3

As part of Safer Internet Day, we took part in a range of activities that gave us an insight into how to identify scams. We were really good at identifying the common errors that scammers use and how to spot them.



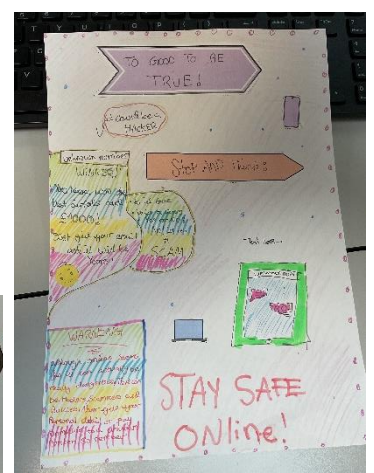
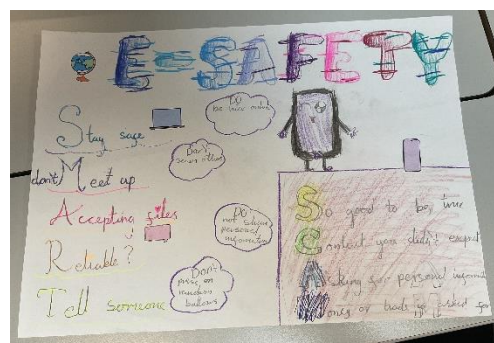
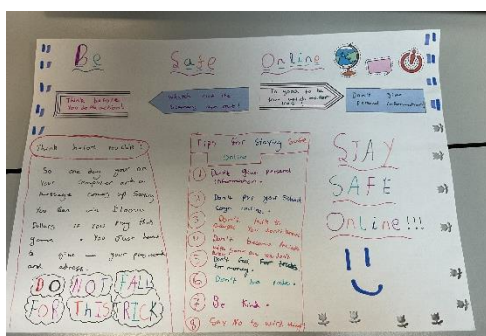
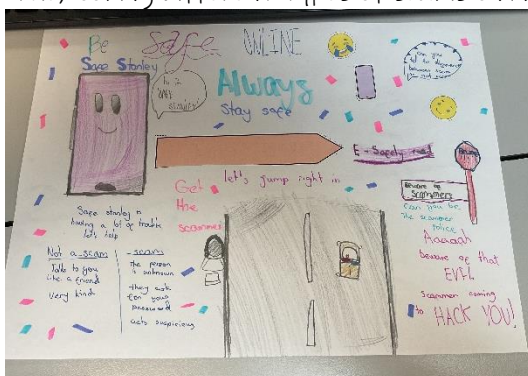
Year 4

For Safer Internet Day, our Year 4 class has been *phishing* for knowledge about online scams! They've been learning how to spot sneaky tricks and *byte* back against scammers. From fake emails to bogus websites, our students are becoming scam-savvy and mastering the art of staying safe online. We're so proud of how they've *clicked* with the lessons, and now they're ready to surf the web safely, with their eyes wide open to the dangers!



Year 5

At the end of last half term we also took part in Safer Internet Day, the theme of this year was Too Good To True, looking different types of scams online and how to spot them.



Year 6

On Tuesday 11th February, South Grove Primary School took part in this year's Safer Internet Day. This year's theme was: Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online.

Year 6 had the best day starting conversations about how to spot, respond to and report all types of scams online. Using the internet safely and positively was a key message throughout the classroom and we took part in a range of activities to promote this. 'Let's go phishing' and 'Two truths one lie' were just a few of the activities we thoroughly enjoyed and learnt a lot from.

Take a look at our pictures to see just how much fun we had!



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E Safety day

Before the holidays, the children did numerous activities for E safety day.



Science/cooking

Before the holiday we have been learning about solid liquid and gas in science. The children used a cooking lesson to explore solids and liquids.

We used: strawberries, bananas and grapes to investigate solids. We put them in a blender with yogurt and blended them together to make liquid smoothies.





NEED A COSTUME IN A HURRY?

Use what you have at home to make a World Book Day costume on the run!

EVERYDAY CLOTHES

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
Percy Jackson by Rick Riordan
Charlie and Lola by Lauren Child
 Charlie Bucket from *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl
Ruby Redfort by Lauren Child
Geek Girl by Holly Smale



WITCH OR WIZARD'S HAT

Mildred Hubble from *The Worst Witch* by Jill Murphy
 Harry Potter/Ron Weasley/Hermione Granger/Cho Chang/Dumbledore from the *Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling
 Meg from *Meg and Mog* by Helen Nicoll and Jan Pieńkowski
 Gandalf from *The Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien
 Witch from *Room on the Broom* by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler
Winnie the Witch by Valerie Thomas and Korky Paul



Winnie the Witch © Valerie Thomas & Korky Paul, The Worst Witch © Jill Murphy, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone © J.K. Rowling, Room on the Broom © Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler

STRIPY TOPS

Where's Wally? by Martin Handford
 'Boy' from *Lost & Found* by Oliver Jeffers
 Grace from *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch
The Diary of Dennis the Menace by Steven Butler
Burglar Bill or *Burglar Betty* by Janet and Allan Ahlberg
 Father Christmas from *Father Christmas Goes on Holiday* by Raymond Briggs
 Grandma Swagg from *Cops and Robbers* by Janet and Allan Ahlberg



PYJAMAS

The Midnight Gang by David Walliams
 Sophie from *The BFG* by Roald Dahl

The Midnight Gang © David Walliams & Tony Ross



A FOOTBALL STRIP

Football Academy by Tom Palmer
Girls FC by Helena Pielichaty
 Willy from *Willy the Wizard* by Anthony Browne
Jamie Johnson by Dan Freedman

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