

South Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER 29 2024-2025

6th May 2025

Dear parents and carers

STARS OF THE WEEK W/C 5.5.25

N- AM	REBECCA	3A	GARY
N - PM	JOSLYN	3H	MERIEM
RR	JOAN	4P	HALIMAT
RS	ELIF	4SH	JJ
1L	MESERET	5A	BIANCA
1W	MIKAEEL	5G	ZAKARIA
2DM	KHADEEJA	6F	ABHISHEK
2F	TWINKLE	6M	AHMED



PLM LUCIEN

SPORTS STARS - HAFSAH Y1

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY W/C 28.4.25

Best Attendance ☺ **5G 99.6%**
 Special mention to RR 99.3% & 3H 99%
 Best Punctuality ☺ **2F**

Class that needs to improve their attendance **1L 90.6%**

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

Overall School Attendance this year = 94.1%

1W'S GRUFFALO ASSEMBLY

On Friday the hall was transformed into a deep dark wood complete with an array of hungry animals including a one animal who had 'terrible tusks and terrible claws, and terrible teeth in his terrible jaws' and a tiny mouse who outsmarted them all!

The children looked fabulous in their costumes and all performed very confidently including singing a great rendition of The Gruffalo song!



The story of The Gruffalo was told in great detail with the children remembering their words off by heart. It was amazing! Children on the percussion instruments were brilliant and so in time. They had created wanted posters for The Gruffalo and shared how they had become authors, creating their own stories based on the storyline.

Their final song of 'See you later alligator' had all the children joining in with a couple of solo's, which was excellent to hear.

Well done to 1W, they so enjoyed their assembly and evident of how much they enjoyed their work around the story. Thank you to Miss Winter, Mrs Patel, Mr Sill and Miss Forbes for their support of the children to perform so well.

Thank you to the very large parent and carer audience, it is much appreciated. Here is what they had to say:

Every single child was amazing!

What an excellent show! We loved your brilliant performance and funny, creative version of the Gruffalo!

Great work and well done for all the hard work
 Absolutely lovely
 Very amusing and all the children performed well



GOOD LUCK AND OUR VERY BEST WISHES TO ALL YEAR 6 PUPILS AND STAFF!

Good luck to Year 6 in their last week of preparation before their SATs next week. **They begin on Monday 12th May and continue until Thursday 15th May.** Parents, it will support your child if you encourage a little revision, ready for next week, and a little each evening before the next day's test next week. This needs to be followed by a little relax and early to bed so that they feel refreshed and ready to go for the next day. As always we have tried

to organise the tests so that the children feel as comfortable as possible and familiar with the adults that have supported them all year.



Please remember that we are offering the Year 6 children a free breakfast in school each morning at 8:00am. This will help to settle them for the day and be an opportunity for staff to spend time with them. If they do not come then please ensure that they are in school by 8:30am at the latest so they have time to settle to their day before they take their tests. If there are any concerns please contact your child's class teacher, Mr Combe or myself.



Please Notice This



THE FRONT GATE IN RINGWOOD ROAD WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY – THURSDAY NEXT WEEK FROM 8.50am – 1:00pm DUE TO THE YEAR 6 SATS

PLEASE GO DOWN THE ALLEY TO THE RIGHT OF THE BUNGALOW AND THE GATE IN CAMDEN ROAD WILL BE OPEN

THANK YOU!

Testing
Please do not disturb.
Thank you!



Year 2 took part in the KS1 tennis Festival at Ridgeway Park and learnt many tennis related skills that helped improve their movement and co-ordination. Children enjoyed taking part, especially when they competed against their peers at the different activity stations.

Sofia 2F stated " *I liked the tennis trip because it was fun and I had a good time. I enjoyed the tennis games especially the one when I had to balance a tennis ball in-between my arms and run. I also liked the game when I had to move the balls across to the other side and race against the other team*".



3A PARENTS EVENING

15th May 3:30- 5:50

Don't forget to make an appointment

This will be a brief appointment to meet Mr Archer and look at your child's books.

Click here to book:

<https://forms.gle/bDBNhc3vMwaABVNB7>



Friday 16th May Year 3 WW2 Day

To enhance their topic on World War 2 – Year 3 will come dressed in any outfit to do with the war or the 1940s eg – evacuees, soldiers, sailors, pilots, nurses, air raid wardens, land army etc etc (please remember you don't have to buy an outfit – just use what you have at home)

MUSIC AWARD!

Rosie in Year 6, has been nominated to be Waltham Forest Music Services' Student of the Month for May.

Well Done Rosie!



PARENTING COURSE - starts tomorrow 7 May – 2 July

Please let the school office know if you would like to attend this course as it will be held at South Grove every Wednesday.

Wednesday

7 May – 2 July

9.30am–11.30am
South Grove
Primary School
E17 8PW

Triple P
Age 0–12

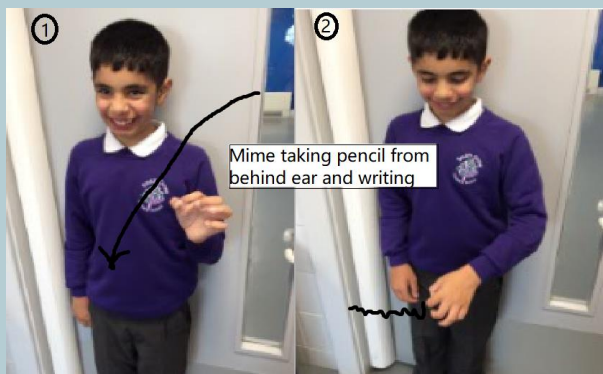
Triple P0-12

For parents of children aged up to 12

Promote your child's development and help prevent challenging behaviour.

Web: bit.ly/wftriplep **Phone:** 07586713368

MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK: PENCIL



May

**A child's right ...
to have these rights no
matter what! (2)**



Respect

**NO CHOIR NEXT
TUESDAY
13TH MAY**



This Friday 9th May

2F 9:15am

class assembly

Families welcome!

Year 4 Fashion Day – Friday 23rd May

Year 4 will be strutting their stuff with a fashion day on Friday 23rd May when they can come dressed in the fashion that makes them happiest!.



Trips this Half Term

Wednesday 14th May

Friday 16th May

Wednesday 21st May

Thursday 22nd May

Friday 23rd May

Year 1 to Queen Elizabeth Park

Year 6 St James' Park

Year 1 to Soho Theatre (Walthamstow)

Year 2 to Epping Forest

Year 5 to Ragged Museum & Year 6 to Project Zero



With my very best wishes

J. Maltwood

Julie Maltwood
Headteacher

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

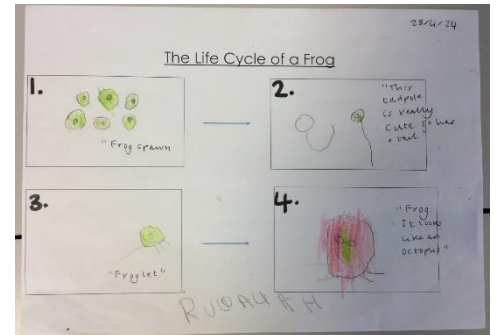
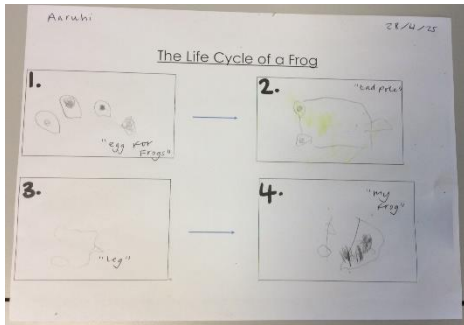
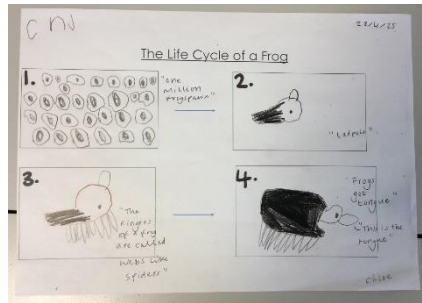
BREAK UP - 3:15 FRIDAY 23RD MAY

RETURN - 8:45 MONDAY 2ND JUNE

SOUTH GROVE LEARNING GALLERY!

Nursery

Last week in Nursery we continued to explore our key text 'The Teeny Weeny Tadpole'. After looking in more detail at the life cycle of a frog, we drew our own and talked about our drawings with an adult. We also created our own versions of frogs using paper plates, card and paint. After painting the plates, we folded them in half and then added more details to create the frog's face



Reception

Our topic in Reception is Flowers, Plants and Growing. Last week we learnt that the study of plants is called Botany and scientists that study plants are called Botanists. Many years ago before cameras could take photographs of plants, botanists had to draw the plants and flowers that they discovered. We worked like a botanists to learn about the different parts of flowering plants. We drew and labelled them.

Furthermore, we have been gardeners, planting bean seeds and learning how to take care of plants and flowers. We listened to the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and were surprised to receive a letter from the giant in the story asking us if we could help him replace the beanstalk that Jack had cut down. So we used our phonic knowledge to write a list of items he would need to buy to complete the planting process, including pots, beans, soil etc. Then we learnt how to write step by step instructions. Now we are waiting for the seeds to germinate, we are learning lots of new words!



Year 1

Friday was a real celebration of 1W's hard work and practice for their Gruffalo Assembly. Talking about the assembly afterwards, the children talked about how they hadn't expected so many people! That they had felt nervous and a bit worried that they might say the wrong word, but they enjoyed it too. They felt proud of themselves. It was a nice experience to learn that despite nerves, they can overcome and still achieve a wonderful assembly.

Thank you to all of the supporting staff including Ms Forbes accompaniment on the piano. We also started our new topic 'Plants and Flowers' and 1L started by looking at the painter Claude Monet and his picture: 'The Waterlily Pond.' They have also been doing some careful observational drawings based on plants, focussing on the size and shape.



Year 2

In Year 2 last week in Art, we were looking at the artist - Maria Sibylla Merian. We also designed a ladybird using different mediums. In D & T we designed our own 'Bug Hotels'.





Year 3

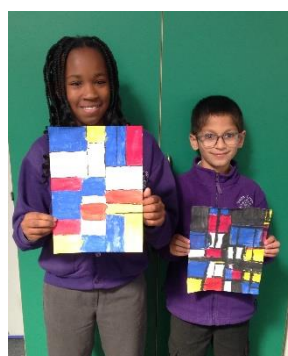
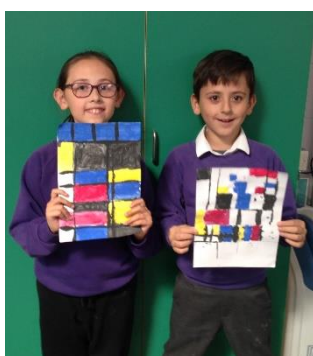
Last week in Year 3 we continued delving into the history of World War II by exploring evacuations and the Blitz! The children learned about the devastating impact this had on Britain during that time.

We created our own Blitz scenes in Art using oil pastels to create the effect of smoke and fire which engulfed the London skies. The children then designed their own skyline silhouettes and placed these on top to complete their artwork. We are so eager to find out where this topic will take us next!



Year 4

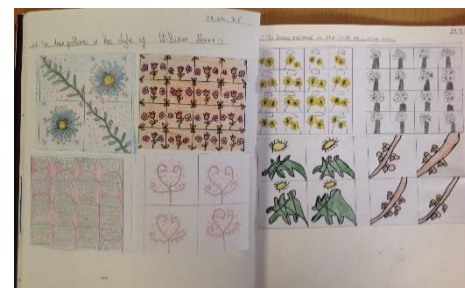
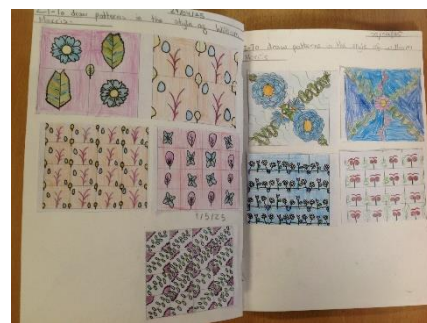
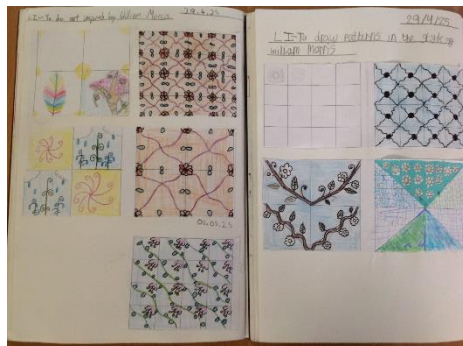
Last week, 4P planned and created art pieces based on Piet Mondrian's "neoplasticism". Mondrian was an abstract minimalist painter, and believed in stripping art down to its most basic component. Thus, his pieces used only horizontal and vertical lines, and the 3 primary colours. That was, of course, until he went to secondary school and learned about green.



Year 5

Year 5 have been exploring the work of the famous Victorian artist and designer **William Morris**, known for his beautiful nature-inspired patterns and intricate designs. We looked closely at his use of repeating motifs and learned how he used art to bring beauty into everyday life. The children then created their own motifs in the style of Morris, experimenting with symmetry, pattern, and natural forms.

Here are some fantastic examples of their work!



Year 6

Year 6 have been combining their knowledge and creativity as part of their SATs revision in Maths. To revise the properties of different 3D shapes, the children built their own models using art straws. Once built, they investigated key properties: counting vertices, edges and faces, and checking whether the faces were congruent. This hands-on approach helped bring geometry to life and made the properties easier to visualise and remember. Plus, it was a lot of fun!



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W I L L I A M M O R R I S	In Art the PLM children created their own William Morris print.		W I L L I A M M O R R I S
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Help your child grow and thrive! **Family Learning**



Our family learning programme delivers a variety of courses, workshops and events both in person, online and at different venues in Waltham Forest - courses and workshops are free for families.

List of upcoming courses / workshops

Course Code	Course Title	Venue	Date	Time	Day
FA0256C4	Raising Confident and Resilient Children	The Junction Centre	7.5.2025 – 21. 5.2025	10:00 – 12:00pm	Wednesday
FA0418F1	Create a Woven Pot- Families learning together	Queens Road Family Hub	29.5.2025	10:00 – 12:00pm	Thursday
FA0411F1	Calm Parents, Calm Children	Queens Road Family Hub	18/06/2025 - 16/07/2025	10:00 – 12:00pm	Wednesday
FA0216C4	Let's explore Nature inspired Art - Families learning together	Walthamstow Library	14/06/2025	10:00 – 12:00pm	Saturday
FA0419F1	Create a Fabric Name Pennant – Teenagers and Parents learning together	Queens Road Learning Centre	2/07/25	6:00- 8:30pm	Wednesday
FA0420F1	Create Birthday Iced Biscuits- Teenagers and Parents learning together	Queens Road Learning Centre	18/06/2025	6:00- 8:30pm	Wednesday

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