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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the term draws to a close, it ends on a flurry of curriculum activities. Pupils in **Year 2** ventured forth to **Windsor Castle** and saw the changing of the guard, the **Gardening Club** visited **RHS Wisley Gardens** learning about different eco systems and **Year 6 children** exercised their creative skills in an excellent **Family Learning** afternoon.



A special celebration in school took place this week for **Year 6 children in the Hive**. As part of beginning their transition to secondary school, they formally **graduated from the Hive**. Thank-you to Mrs Standing and Mrs Wicks for supporting with such care over a number of years. It was a proud moment indeed to reflect on their achievements.

This week we host our first **ASD coffee morning** for families led by **Freemantles School**. Thank-you to all who were able to attend and we hope that you found the event supportive and informative.



The PTA never rest on their laurels and on the back of a very successful Pot a Plant family event last week, they helped finish the term on a celebratory note with an excellent **Easter raffle**.

Thank-you for the **generous donations to charities** this term. I can confirm **£216 was raised for Comic Relief** and **£300 for the Red Cross** as part of their support in the **Ukraine crisis**.

Year 6 parents have been working hard in preparation for the **end of the year events**. As part of this a cake sale took place on Thursday. Thank-you so much for supporting this event.

The children this term have achieved so much in their learning and so now, I wish everyone a well-deserved restful Easter break.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

**Tuesday 12th April and
Wednesday 13th April**
Year 6 Easter School

Tuesday 19th April
All pupils return to school

Monday 25th April
Year 4 Family Learning, 2pm

Monday 2nd May
Bank Holiday (school closed)

PTA Dates

Friday 15th April
Easter Egg Hunt (open to the public)

Wednesday 27th April
School Disco



School Dinners

Please note there is a new menu for the Summer term. Please book your child's school dinners via SCOpay.com by no later than Thursday 14th April.

The menu for the 19th April will be:

Main: Tomato pasta bake
Vegetarian: Quorn meatballs in BBQ sauce with tagliatelle
Both options served with sweetcorn and home-made shortbread

English at Springfield

Local libraries are a great way to get your child engaged with reading, we have a number of local libraries, which have a wide range of books for children of all ages. Why not visit one of the below libraries during half-term and give your child an opportunity to experience an environment that promotes a love of reading.

Sunbury Library: Staines Rd W, Shepperton, Sunbury-on-Thames TW16 7AB



Ashford Library: Church Rd, Shepperton, Ashford TW15 2XB

Shepperton Library: High St, Shepperton TW17 9AU

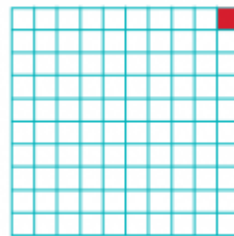
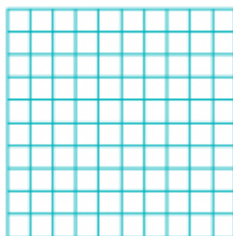


Maths at Springfield

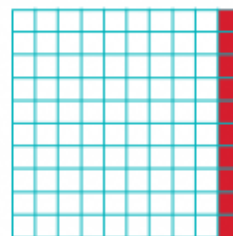
Understanding decimals is vital for real-life, everyday maths.

Children usually start to learn about decimals in Year 4. The first thing children need to know is that a decimal is a part PART of a whole. A good way to explain this is to show them an empty hundred number square / chart:

Hundred chart



0.01



0.1

Colour in one square and explain that you have coloured in one hundredth ($\frac{1}{100}$) of the whole. Explain that this is written as 0.01, because the second digit after the decimal point represents the hundredths.

Colour in ten squares and explain that you have coloured in ten hundredths ($\frac{10}{100}$). This is the same as one tenth ($\frac{1}{10}$) and is written as 0.1, because the first digit after the decimal point represents the tenths.

Give your child a list of decimals (0.9, 0.13, 0.7, 0.54, etc) and encourage them to colour in these decimals on other blank hundred squares. This will help them to understand that 0.13 is smaller than 0.7 (they should have coloured 13 squares for the first and 70 squares for the second), as children can often get confused by this concept.

Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being **'improving times tables'**:

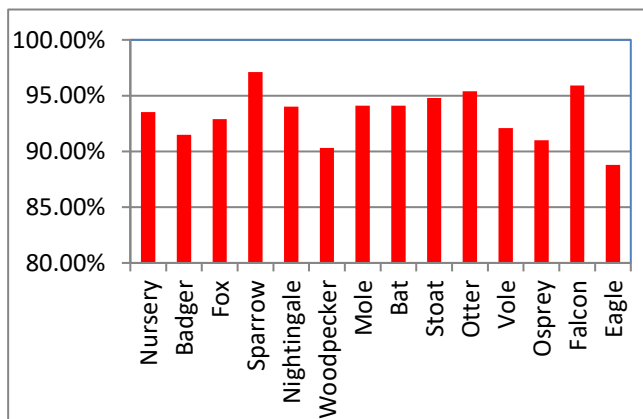
Sparrow	- Eileen	Stoat	- Zayd
Nightingale	- Adam	Otter	- Aleen
Woodpecker	- Summer	Vole	- Bell
Mole	- Mustafa	Osprey	- Aston
Bat	- Geoffrey	Eagle	- Freya
		Falcon	- Joe

This week's **Super Citizens** were celebrated today, the focus was **'encouraging others to do their best'**:

Sparrow	- Ruby Mae	Stoat	- Zayd
Nightingale	- Neil	Otter	- Maria
Woodpecker	- Krish	Vole	- Ruby
Mole	- Star	Osprey	- Maizy-Ann
Bat	- Leah	Eagle	- Adhrith
		Falcon	- Baneet

Our **Reception and Nursery Kings and Queens** for this week are:

Badger Class:	Fox Class:	Nursery
King - Luke	King - Ashal	King - Kaden
Queen - Lily	Queen - Matilda	Queen - Seren

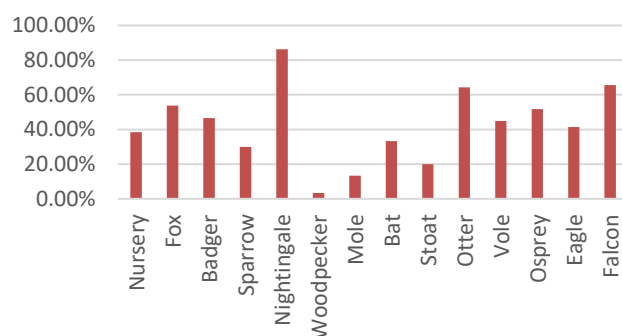


Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for the week commencing 21st March are:

EYFS/KS1: Sparrow – 97.1%

KS2: Falcon – 95.9%

Weekly Reading Stars



Reading Raffle:

The winners of the reading raffle week commencing 21st March are Nightingale class with 86.21%

TT Rockstars – Stoat Class are our TT Rockstars winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Kamron-Dontae (Y5), Freddie (Y6) and Poppy (Y4).

Numbots – Woodpecker Class are our Numbots winners this week. Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Sophie (Y2), James (Y2), Mustafa (Y2)

- James achieved Glass level and Copper level
- Mustafa achieved Brass level

Well-done everyone!

Gugafit winners – Stoat Class are winners for week commencing 21st March.

Housepoint winners – 1st place Willow - 130, 2nd place Chestnut – 128, 3rd place Pine – 95 and 4th place Beech - 85

The focus for Lead Learner after half term is, effective communication.

The focus for Super Citizen after half term is, knowing how to make friends.

Year 6 Family Learning

Year 6 children enjoyed a family learning session with their relatives in which they created botanical artwork linked to their topic on Charles Darwin by using polystyrene tiles to make imprints.



Sport

Girls' Football:

The girls were in an epic battle on Monday afternoon against Buckland Primary. Within 10 minutes, the game was 2-2 and it looked like it would end in a basketball score. However, after the initial onslaught from both teams the game did calm and became a bit more tactical (especially after the break) with both teams defending so much better. But Isla wasn't finished, and following her first two goals in the first half she grabbed her hat-trick and the winning goal to make it 3-2 to Springfield. We march on with another victory - well done Baneet, Ava, Bethany, Molly, Maizy, Lola, Megan and player of the match Isla.

House Competition:

The school had a fantastic time competing in their houses on the final week of term. The house leaders and representatives worked hard to plan and deliver an excellent event that involved all children playing a competitive game within their houses in each year group. It was lovely to see the children having so much fun and working together, and encouraging each other to achieve the points for their houses. It was great to see such good sportsmanship across all houses. All children and supporting staff, particularly house leaders and representatives have worked incredibly hard to make this event such an outstanding success. Well-done Springfield!



Year 2 Trip to Windsor Castle

Year 2 had the most amazing time on their school trip on Monday 28th March as part of our 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets' topic. We travelled to Windsor Castle by coach and arrived safely to be greeted by the lovely staff. We were thoroughly intrigued whether Her Royal Highness, the Queen, was in residence or not! We kept our eyes open for the flag flying high at the top of the castle and to our amazement she was! We started our journey by walking around the grounds and met a guard! We all had a picture with him, but we didn't think he was real at first because he did not move! We later discovered that they have to remain very still! We transitioned into our workshop and this was led by a man named Martin. He was a master of knowledge and some of us had the opportunity to role play in his play castle! We were looking forward to our lunch from the moment we arrived, and it lived up to expectations! We continued our day by exploring the inside of the castle in the afternoon and were amazed with the different things we could see and how regal everything looked! We had the best day ever and didn't want it to end...although some of us were extremely tired on the coach on the way home!



Forest School

The Year 5 children have been having great fun and developing their skills over within their Forest School sessions. The children have been learning how to build, light and safely extinguish a small fire. They experimented with different structures and chose the one they thought would be most successful. All groups succeeded, and it was lovely to see them developing knowledge and skills to complete the challenge successfully. Well-done the Year 5 classes for their determination and excellent behaviour.

