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# Newsletter



#### **Spring Term Complete!**

I cannot believe that we are already here at the end of the Spring Term! It only feels like yesterday that we were returning in January. It is always lovely to see the lighter mornings and some better weather start to appear, a reminder that Summer isn't far away!

We have had a very busy month with lots of celebrations, including special assemblies and performances, trips, competitions and workshops. It has been wonderful to see so many parents and family members come to share some of these events with the children.

On behalf of all of the staff, we hope you have a safe and enjoyable break and we look forward to seeing you back for the Summer Term on 15<sup>th</sup> April.

With thanks,

Mrs Grace Beckford Acting Headteacher

#### **Gold Class Bikeability Training**

Gold Class enjoyed a week of cycling training with two visiting instructors, where they learned the basics of the highway code and how to safely cycle around local roads. The instructors commented on how polite and dedicated the children were and that they made lots of progress in a short time.

Once children have completed this training, they may cycle to school, where they can safely park their bike in the cycle rack at the front of the school with a lock.



#### **Neurodiversity Celebration Week**

We had a very interesting week last week, learning about lots of different conditions and needs that fall under the neurodiversity umbrella, such as ADHD, dyslexia, dyscalculia and Autism. We all gathered together in our rainbow colours on Friday and shared together in assembly some of the things we learned. Lots of children spoke about what we can do to support those with additional needs, where they showed how empathetic they are.



Pictured are Red Class practising some mindful yoga together!

#### Holi

We had a great time celebrating Holi this week together, where lots of the staff and children took part in paint throwing!







# Scooter & Skateboard Workshop

Children in KS1 and 2 got the chance to learn a new skill this week – they showed lots of resilience and self-confidence when showing off their skills on 4 wheels! They learned how to safely ride a scooter or skateboard as well as a few tricks!



### **Orange Class Kew Gardens Trip**

Orange Class took part in their first trip of the year to Kew Gardens, where they were able to explore some of the plants and trees and take part in a workshop.



### **Blue Class River Trip**

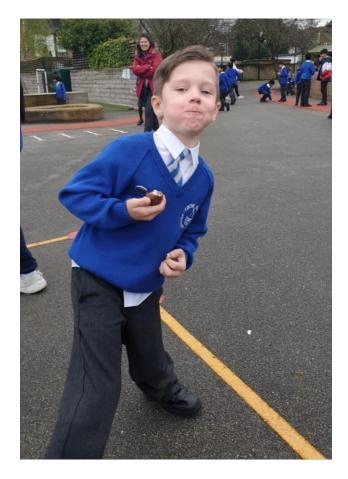


From catching crabs to wading into water, Blue Class had a fantastic day at the Thames, where they were able to learn about some of the features of a river and explore some of the wildlife that live amongst the water!



## **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Easter Bunny was very kind to us again this year and dropped off lots of eggs for the children to find today at break time!







#### **World Book Day**

Grove Road was alive with many book characters on World Book Day! We had a range of fantasy and fairy tale characters from children and staff! It was a wonderful chance for everyone to celebrate our love of reading and share some of our favourite books and stories. Everyone got to take home one of the free world book day books to keep from a range of choices.

Older and younger children made friends over some favourite books too and created 'reading buddies'.



#### **Summer Uniform**

After the Spring holiday, children may wear the summer uniform. This is either the school striped summer dress with white socks (no tights or leggings please), or grey school shorts with a short sleeved shirt and tie. Children can also continue to wear the winter uniform if they would prefer. We have lots of shorts and summer dresses for sale in the second-hand uniform shop as well as both being stocked in the school uniform shop on Bell Road.



#### **Building Work**

You may have noticed some fencing being put up around the old pond area at the back of the playground. This is because we have a very exciting new building project underway to create a new, larger space for our Centre for children with Autism. This will allow our existing Centre to have more space and enhance the provision that we provide. I will keep you updated as the project continues throughout the Summer Term.



#### Second Hand Uniform - Restocked!

We are still adding lots of second-hand uniform to our shop! We have recently added a lot of Summer dresses and shorts. Please visit <a href="https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/grove-road-primary-school">https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/grove-road-primary-school</a> to browse our selection and make any purchases that you would like.



#### **Class Emails**

We continue to have class mailboxes for you to contact your child's class teacher. These emails are monitored daily but please allow up to 48 hours for a response. For anything urgent, including reporting your child absent, please continue to contact the school office.

Red Class: red@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Orange Class: <a href="mailto:orange@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk">orange@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</a>

Yellow Class: yellow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Green Class: <a href="mailto:green@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk">green@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk</a>

Blue Class: blue@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Indigo Class: indigo@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Violet Class: violet@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Gold Class: gold@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

Rainbow Class: rainbow@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk

#### **Coming up in April**

15<sup>th</sup> – Start of Summer Term

15th - 19th - Book Fair

16<sup>th</sup> – Gold Class TfL Presentation

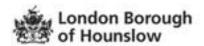
17<sup>th</sup> – Orange Class hearing tests

19<sup>th</sup> – School Council Enterprise Event

22<sup>nd</sup> – Indigo Class Chocolate Workshop

24<sup>th</sup> – French Day

25<sup>th</sup> – Indigo Class Swimming Begins





# **FAMILY HUB FUN DAY**

FREE EVENT FOR THE

WHOLE FAMILY







Come along to find out more about Hounslow's Family Hub offer, and take part in fun activities!

Here's what you can expect:

- **Petting Zoo**
- Soft Play
- **Face Painting**
- Soft Archery
- **Arts and Crafts**
- Circus Skills
- **Music and Movement**

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED!

This is an inclusive and accessible event for all children, young people and their families. If you will need any assistance on the day to support accessing this event, please email: familyhub@hounslow.gov.uk

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