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Primary News

A word from Mrs Železinger

Dear Parents and Students,

The end of Term 2 is here and this last week has been full of events to celebrate the learning throughout this block.









While the **Early Years** students worked on their jungle project from the story *Monkey Puzzle*, the **Y1** students recounted different *traditional*

their stories from home countries. The Y2 students opened a restaurant for parents to sample a variety of delicious food inspired by their topic on Food. The Y3 classes presented their research projects on historic inventions which have influenced their lives. In Y4, the topic of Explorers and Adventurers sparked some creative artwork which was displayed for all students to admire. For their topic Frozen Planet, the Y5 students wrote their own playscript and prepared a performance for the assembly. The **Y6** students kamishibai storytelling techniques to recount Myths and Legends explored during this block.





Many trips and events will be coming up in Term 3, including the **International Day** celebrations on the 20th and 21st of April. All parents are invited to participate or help with the organisation of events and can do so by contacting the PTA. Further **swimming days**, as well as, other **curriculum**



and residential trips are planned in April and May. More information about these will be emailed out to parents by the organisers and class teachers.

Student awards were presented to students at the end-of-term whole-Primary assembly for special contributions made in specialist subjects: P.E., Performing Creative Languages, and Computing challenge competition, and those showing consistent and student certificates given for exceptional efforts during classes throughout this term. Well done to Sapphire House for collecting the most points this term and to Y1 for making sure their cloakroom is always tidy! The Y6 students did a wonderful job leading the assembly, with various performances of poems and songs and showcasing of experiments. In Reception, the students concluded their day with a wonderful performance of songs they have learned this block.

We are sad to see some of our students leaving at the end of this term and wish them good luck on their new adventures. We would also like to thank Mr Cox for helping with developments and improvements at our school since August and wish him all the best in the future. We look forward to welcoming Ms Hitchcocks as the new Principal at the start of Term 3.



Please note that on Monday 3rd March the school is closed for staff preparations and training. The school will open again on **Tuesday 4th March**.

Have a fantastic holiday!

Kind regards,

Katarina Železinger Head of Primary

Class Teacher Reports

Early Years

In Early Years we are concluding our Julija Donaldson topic with a story, "Fox's socks". The Pre-Nursery students have been practising their fine motor skills and colour recognition throughout the week while making zig-zag and shape patterns on the socks paper template. In the meantime, Reception and Nursery have been sticking colour papers on the socks template to create odd socks that they cut out, puncture a hole, and connect with a string.



Pre-Nursery students have continued exploring the local area and discovered three playgrounds where they played on the swings. Reception students have been learning about the letter G, writing the letter,

and recognising words with the initial sound G. On Friday, they proudly presented their performance, which they have been so excited to share with you. Thank you to all the Reception parents for your support with costumes and for coming to see the performance.



Why do we have to wash our hands? This has been the key question in the Nursery group this week, as the children have been learning about playing in nature and the importance of staying healthy through handwashing routines. We have learned about germs and nasties and the key times we need that soap to wash them away.

Ms Kukovica

Year 1

This week we spent some time listening to students retell legends and myths from their home countries during Topic lessons. In Math, we played toyshop and practised giving back change from different amounts. We cannot forget to mention the very mysterious things which have been happening in the classroom this week!





As we were reading Jack and the Beanstalk in English giant footsteps started appearing, a beanstalk was growing on the wall and by the end of the week, we even had a castle on top of the beanstalk. Let's hope the footsteps disappear after the block break.

Ms Miklavec

Year 2

On Wednesday, Year 2 opened their own restaurant in class. Over the past six weeks, we have learned all about food and healthy eating and we wanted to demonstrate our knowledge to our parents. It was an enormous success.

The children were engaged throughout the whole process. They shared their wonderful ideas and those ideas led to a multilingual menu with food that was also suitable for people with different allergies. On top of that: it was all extremely healthy. It was a great example of the growth in the learning of our Year 2 class.



I am sure they receive 5 stars for their restaurant. Well done Year 2!.

Ms te Velde

Year 3

In Topic, students presented their Invention Research Project on various inventions that have changed our lives. The presentations were detailed, well-researched, thought-provoking and extremely well-presented by each child.





The children who were listening to the speaker asked very intriguing questions, which only furthered and deepened their understanding of the topic we were looking at.

Ms Spangl and Ms Torrington

Year 4

This week the students in year 4B started the week by sharing their love for reading with early years students. They have also been learning about ancient civilizations like the Maya, Inca, and Aztecs in their Topic class, where they've been working hard to create art pieces inspired by these cultures.



In Maths, they've been continuing their study of 3D shapes and polyhedrons, while in English they've been honing their biography writing skills and producing some excellent pieces of work. It's been another great week of learning and growth for our Year 4 students!

Ms Pirnat and Ms Harris

Year 5

Year 5 has had an interesting week. In English, we have been focusing on counter-arguments and the children created a courtroom and had a debate which was lots of fun.





In Topic, the children have created a play reflecting all the learning from this block and have been assigned different characters. They will be presenting this to the whole of Primary!!!



In Maths, the children have been recapping all the topics taught in the block. Have a lovely and safe break.

Mrs Thomas-Hayes

Year 6

The Year 6 students completed their end of the Unit assignment in English this week. They put their writing skills to the test by creating alternate endings for the story "Gone Away!"



Using time signals and correct dialogue punctuation, the students skillfully described the thoughts and emotions of the characters, resulting in thrilling and captivating storylines. The student's ability to bring the characters to life and create unique storylines showcased their exceptional writing skills.d.

Mr Kokalj

Departmental News

PE

Throughout PE this week, we concluded our invasion games unit - focusing on competitive play and the importance of sporting behaviour. Years 1 & 2 were set basketball shooting challenges, and tasked with working as a team to achieve the highest number of baskets.

Years 3, 4 & 5 continued their handball focus, working on how possession can influence the result of a game in a round-robin tournament. Year 6 concluded their kickball unit, with a competitive round-robin tournament, with scorekeeping and officiating organised by the students.

PE Department

Slovene

In Slovene lessons, early years students finished the topic about food this week.



They enjoyed the learning process through a variety of fun activities such as kviz, na tržnici, moje palačinke ..., to name a few.

Ms Jakop

In these weeks, the Y1 and Y2 Slovene Advanced students had the opportunity to showcase their reading skills by presenting their reading badge books. It was inspiring to witness the progress and confidence that these young learners have gained through their reading journey.



Each student shared their book and the key takeaways from their reading experience. It's heartening to see the passion for learning and the joy of reading that these students possess. Congratulations to all the Y1 and Y2 Slovene Advanced students for their hard work and dedication towards reading!

On the 25th of March we are celebrating Mothers Day and the Y1/2 Slovene Advance students have been busy creating beautiful cards to show their appreciation for their mothers. However, these cards are not just any ordinary cards. In fact, they are truly unique, as each student has written about the superpowers that they believe their mother possesses.



What is truly remarkable about these cards is the way in which they reflect the deep love and appreciation that the students have for their mothers. By taking the time to think about their mother's strengths and write about them in such a creative way, the students have demonstrated just how much they value and cherish their mothers.

Ms Kotnik

EAL

In two of our EAL groups, we concluded this block by practising putting sentences together with the help of colour-coded flashcards. This activity was not only enjoyable and interactive, but it also helped our students to improve their sentence structure and grammar skills. It was a great opportunity for our students to work on their sentence building and vocabulary skills, which are essential for effective communication.



To make things even more exciting, we added adjectives and past tense to the sentences, making the activity more challenging and engaging.

Mr Siter

Dates to Note

Mon	Apr 3 rd	School closed for staff training
Tue	Apr 4 th	Start of Block 6
Fri	Apr 7 th	Coffee with the Principal
Mon	Apr 10 th	School closed – Public Holiday
Thu	Apr 13 th	Y6 Swimming Day
Fri	Apr 14 th	Y4-Y5 Swimming Day
Mon	Apr 17 th	Y4 Swimming Day
Tue	Apr 25 th	Y1-Y2 Swimming Day
	Apr 27 th - May 2 nd	School closed
Fri	May 12 th	End of Block 6

All upcoming events and details are available on our website.

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School Calendars

For Term dates and school holidays, click here.