

Springfield Newsletter

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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Families,

This week the children have been involved in **PSHE and art activities to mark Remembrance, with this theme of thankfulness**. It was lovely to see so many children today in their Rainbow, Beaver, Brownie and Scout uniforms, proud of the contribution that they are making in marking this important point of annual reflection.



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Part of the **Springfield Way, rests on a culture of kindness within the school**, where children and staff care and respect others. This underpins the school's **anti-bullying approach** which is marked nationally next week as **Anti-Bullying Week**. Mrs Wilson has led the programme for the coming week and information regarding the activities that the children will be involved in were shared last week and are on the website.



Our **girls' Year 5 and 6 football team** are on a winning streak at present, scoring impressive results in their most recent matches; well-done to you all for great sporting endeavour!

Please could I ask for everyone's support, if you drive to school, to take **great care when parking**. There have been several recent incidents where children could have been seriously injured. Within this, please could I ask that you avoid parking across the driveways of local residents, since this is causing wider issues within the community.

During this period of financial hardship for families, if you have any **donations of uniform or books**, please do drop these into the office - all donations are very gratefully received for our **free uniform and book stands**.

Next Thursday, to mark **Children in Need** we will be having a mufti-day, due pupils not being in school on Friday. Donation buckets will be at the front of the school in the morning.

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Springfield is finally **embracing the world of social media**, with the launch of the new **Facebook and Twitter** pages. We will be posting key information for families on these sites, including events and so please do follow us if you are able to do so.

I wish all a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Monday 14th November
Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 14th November
Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 15th November
Prospective parents' Open
Morning, 9.30am

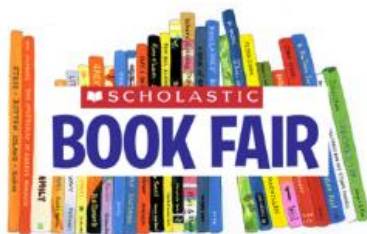
Tuesday 15th November
Flu Immunisations Year R to
Year 6

Thursday 17th November
Children in Need mufti day

Friday 18th November
INSET day

English at Springfield

On Monday 28th November, we will be selling books from the Scholastic Book Fair. During this time, the books will be available between 8:30-8:50 and 3:10-3:30 outside the front of school (weather depending). If you are interested in offering Mr Baker some support either before or after school, please do let him know. This year Scholastic have agreed if we make over £1,000.00 they will give us 60% of sales to spend on new books for classrooms. Attached to this newsletter gives you further information regarding the book fair.



Maths at Springfield

What is place value?

Place value is the value of each digit in a number (e.g. the 3 in 37 stands for 30).

At Key Stage 1, pupils are required to learn place values for numbers up to 100, including recognising the place value of any digit in a two-digit number.

They're also required to learn how to use place value and associated number facts to solve rudimentary maths problems.

Place value at Key Stage 2 develops this understanding to handle larger numbers and the relative values of each digit depending on where it appears in the number. It is expected that by the end of Year 6 pupils will be able to identify the place value of digits in numbers up to 10,000,000 – and solve problems accordingly.

It's not an exaggeration to say that an understanding of place value is an absolutely key concept for students to grasp; it is the foundation of our 10-base number system and the four operations.

This journey begins in the earliest mathematical experiences of students, particularly those experiences in Key Stage 1 where the place value system is taught more explicitly.

Children who do not understand that there is a limit to the value that can be represented using only tens and ones, will not understand this when dealing with more bases. This is why you can often find the misconception of 'a hundred and one' written as 1001. Students should enter Key Stage 2 with a conceptual understanding of place value.

Sport

On Friday we welcomed Hawkedale to Springfield in our boys' league fixture. The boys have been working hard in training at being brave in possession and always being available to receive the ball when their teammate is in possession. However, having said that we started in a very erratic fashion with the game being played at 100mph.

Second half was better when we settled on the ball but again there were a few areas to work on. Nevertheless, I cannot fault the children's fight and effort, in which they did a valiant job, scoring some great goals. The result ended 3-3 and could of gone either way, but thanks to Archie's man of the match performance the shares were spoiled.

Well-done - Noah, Albie, Ridley, Sid, Charlie, Archie, Alex and JP.

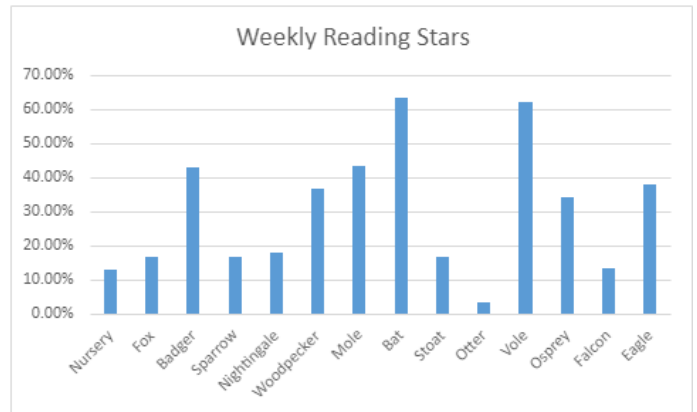
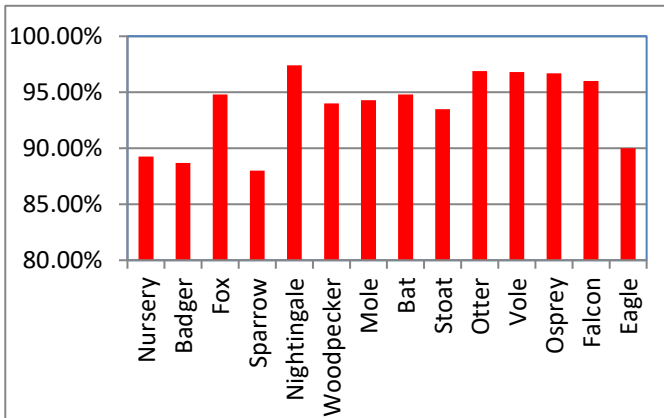
Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being **'Excellent spelling'**:

Sparrow	- Adelina	Stoat	- Martha
Nightingale	- Oliver	Otter	- Samia
Woodpecker	- Olivia	Vole	- Pesandu
Mole	- Aiham	Osprey	- Maya
Bat	- Macsen	Eagle	- Rupinder
		Falcon	- Rajanan

This week's **Super Citizens** were celebrated today, the focus was **'Including others in work and play'**:

Sparrow	- Emily	Stoat	- Liberty
Nightingale	- Ella	Otter	- Siena
Woodpecker	- Adam	Vole	- Lettie
Mole	- Cameron	Osprey	- Joshua
Bat	- Sophie	Eagle	- Eva
		Falcon	- Ruby



Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for the week commencing 31st October:

EYFS/KS1: Nightingale – 97.4%

KS2: Otter – 96.9%

Reading Raffle:

The winners of the reading raffle week commencing 31st October: Bat Class

TT Rockstars – Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Poppy (Y4), Cody (Y4) and Matthew (Y4)

Numbots – Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Jack (Y3), India (Y2) and Laila (Y2)

- Katrin achieved Copper level
- Mustafa achieved Platinum level
- Kevin, Ashal, Ensar and Penny achieved Tin level
- Noah achieved Chrome level
- Ensar achieved Brass level
- Vihaan achieved Rust level

Walk2School Winner - Otter Class

Gugafit Winner – Bat Class

Housepoint winners – 1st place Beech – 216, 2nd place Pine – 161, 3rd place Willow & Chestnut – 154

The focus for the next Lead Learner is, Going above and beyond.

The focus for the next Super Citizen, Knowing how to support someone if they are being bullied.

Reception Stars of the Week:

Badger Class: Kyron and Mya

Fox Class: Oliver and Adam

News from your Governors - Autumn 1

The School Standards Board (SSB) held their first meeting of the academic year in October joined by our newest member Oliver Clement.

A full agenda was delivered with presentation from Mr Holton with regards to Early Years learning and how we can encourage children to gain their independence, access resources and support their learning.

We also heard from Miss Potter with regards to how we safeguard our children and how we are all responsible for this. Further discussion was held covering various topics including Springfield's key priorities for the academic year, Sports Premium funding and admissions and applications.

A great start to the year.

Here is Oliver's profile

My role on the SSB

I am a community governor and have responsibility for overseeing the early years of the school, nursery and reception.

About me

I'm a student reading law at the University of Oxford, and live close by in Epsom.

Favourite TV programme

It has to be Lewis, the great crime drama.

Why I wanted to become a governor

I have always been interested in education, probably thanks to my mother who is now a headteacher. I had a very difficult time at primary school, and so I want to play a role in making sure that children have a much more positive time than I did!

My Skills and Experience

I've served on the governing bodies of various different organisations for quite a while now, whether in a leadership role or giving oversight. I also hope that my legal studies and youth will bring some fresh perspective to the SSB over my term!

Favourite Book

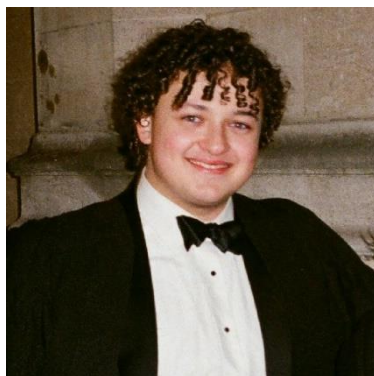
The Farthest Away Mountain by Lynne Reid Banks; it was the first 'proper' book I ever read myself.

My Hobbies

I really enjoy punting, but most of my time is dedicated to legal debating competitions. I've been lucky enough to debate in Athens and Strasbourg in the last year – even in front of Supreme Court judges.

Interesting Fact About Me

I served a seven-month run on the West End, where I played one of the principal characters in the National Theatre's adaptation of 'Emil and the Detectives'.






PTA Events

Please follow the link below for information on upcoming PTA events.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/springfield-school-pta>

Upcoming Events

	Christmas Fair Springfield Primary School Sunbury on Thames Wed 7 Dec 2022, 9:00AM - Thu 8 Dec 2022, 3:00PM
	Santa's Grotto Springfield Primary School Sunbury on Thames Wed 7 Dec 2022, 9:00AM - Thu 8 Dec 2022, 9:00PM
	Childrens Pantomime Springfield Primary School Sunbury on Thames Wed 14 Dec 2022, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Eco committee

The Eco Committee have had a fantastic start to their year with a successful first few meetings focusing on what we can do to the make the school greener! This week, we managed to plant 20 new trees around school with the hope to plant more and continue to make our site more biodiverse. We will be meeting again this week to discuss more projects for the future.

