

Springfield Newsletter

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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

One of our key projects this year has been to establish a **school, pupil-led newspaper**. Year 5 have produced a fantastic third edition that I hope you enjoy. Copies of each edition are placed on the school website. Well-done to the Year 5 Press Team and thank-you to Miss Seagrove for supporting pupils in what they have achieved.

Next Friday marks the beginning of **Mrs Fennell's maternity leave**. Bat Class have benefitted enormously from her care for their wellbeing and learning. We wish Mrs Fennell all the best for the future, with time now for her young family.

On **28th June** we will be notifying all parents of **new class teachers for September 2021 via email**. A text will alert you to the letter. There will be two **transition afternoons taking place on 29th June and 7th July**. We are awaiting more information from secondaries regarding **Year 6 transition days**, but this is dependent on information from the Covid-19 announcements anticipated on Monday. As soon as we know more, Miss Kondoska (Head of upper School) will be in contact.

As part of the school's work within the community, we have established a partnerships with the **local charity Baraka, supporting Kato School in Zambia**. I am really pleased to share with you the news that funds raised this year to purchase desks and equipment have made a real difference. Kato School's headteacher, Emmanuel Kalunga, offers deepest thanks for your continued support.



Next week, every morning, Miss Potter (Pastoral Lead and Head of Lower School) has organised a **second-hand clothes, uniform and toy stand**. Thank-you to all parents for your donations. Please do take any items, with no requirement for payment. There will be a donation box for any parents wishing to made a contribution. Every month we will have a stand and in this we are most grateful for the on-going donations made by staff and parents.

With fixtures now permitted under Covid-19 grassroots regulations, our Year 5 and 6 cricket teams competed on Thursday, with Year 6 securing 1st place and Year 5 3rd; well-done to all involved in the event!

Final thanks is offered to our **dedicated PTA**, who with parental support, have helped to raise nearly £500 for the school through the **Penny Wars**. Well-done to Badger Class for raising the most money, matched by the PTA with £166 to go towards classroom resources.

I wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 16th June

PTA film night for children

Wednesday 16th June

School Photographer

Thursday 17th June

Allotment Grand Opening
2.00-3.00pm

Thursday 17th of June

PGL Parent's Information
Evening

Thursday 24th June

Scholastic Book fair arrives

Friday 25th June

INSET day

Tuesday 29th June

Transition Afternoon

Wednesday 7th July

Transition Afternoon

School Dinners

Please ensure school lunches are booked and, where applicable, paid for in advance on-line via SCOPay by no later than Friday of the preceding week.

There have been some changes to the menu for this half term, please see revised menus on the website and on scopay.

Reading at Springfield

Grammar and word classification are a vital part of the curriculum from Reception right up to Year 6 here at Springfield. It is important that your child is able to classify words by their word class. Attached is a glossary of the six main word classes that children need to know.

Puns and play on word jokes are a great way of discussing vocabulary with your children. Here are some puns to share with them; do they know the definition of the word eclipse?

How do you stop an astronaut's baby from crying?
You rocket!

What kind of tree fits in your hand?
A palm tree!

How does the moon cut his hair?
Eclipse it.

Find more funny puns here: <https://www.rd.com/article/puns-for-kids/>



Maths at Springfield - Key Stage 2

Some examples of investigations that might be given to Key Stage 2 children are:

I have two letters. One weighs double the other. Together, they weigh 135g. How much does each letter weigh?

I have 4 coins in a row on a table. The first and second coins add up to 30p. The second and third coins add up to 25p. The total of all four coins is 40p. What are the four coins?

I am thinking of a number. The number has two digits which add up to 8. The number is a multiple of 4 smaller than 50. What is the number?

Support for Families

Please follow the link below to the Surrey Family Learning Parent Bulletin.

<https://mailchi.mp/bf0627561795/family-learning-parent-bulletin-733312?e=b146e35379>

Open Mornings

After half-term we will be giving small group tours of 5 people for Reception 2022 intake.

Wednesday 23rd June 9.30 - 10.30am

Thursday 1st July 9.30 - 10.30am

Wednesday 7th July 9.30 - 10.30am

Wednesday 14th July 9.30 - 10.30am

Please email info@springfield.surrey.sch.uk to confirm attendance as places are limited.

Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Producing high quality writing across the curriculum':

Sparrow - Janvika	Stoat - Matthew
Nightingale - Tisha	Otter - Rhia
Woodpecker - Jack	Buzzard - Reina
Mole - Luke	Osprey - Tia
Bat - Maya	Eagle - Sophie
	Falcon - Zavannah

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

Sparrow - Jack	Stoat - Freddy
Nightingale - Pete	Otter - Isaac
Woodpecker - Evelyn	Buzzard - Thom
Mole - Alfie	Osprey - Ellie
Bat - Emily	Eagle - Ella
	Falcon - Joshua

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

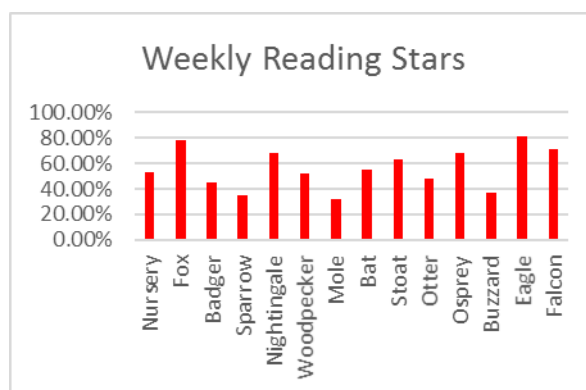
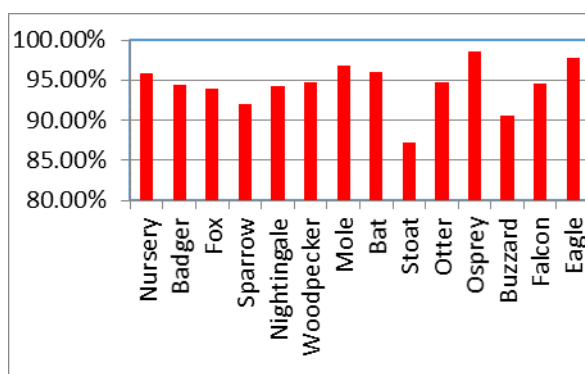
Badger Class:	Fox Class:
King - Adam	King - Jayden-John
Queen - Arklea	Queen - Arya

Our **Nursery Kings & Queens** are:

Hedgehogs – Kyle and Isabel	Squirrels – Phronesis and Adelina	Owls – Stanley and Ellie-Rose
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TT Rockstars – Falcon class are winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Isha (Y3), William (Y4) and Wyndham (Y4).

Numbots – Mole class are at the top of this week's leader board. Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Zainab (Y1), Janvika (Y1) and Luke (Y2). Well done!



Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for week commencing 17th May are:

EYFS & KS1:	Mole – 96.8%
KS2:	Osprey – 98.5%

Reading Stars – Winners of the reading stars for week commencing 17th May are Eagle class with 80.77%

Pastoral Support

Encouraging a healthy lifestyle.

Last term, the focus of our whole school wellbeing assemblies and afternoon was "self-care." The children were encouraged to think of all the things they can do to promote and support their mental and physical wellbeing to ensure they are fully able to enjoy and engage with the Springfield curriculum.

One of the key areas in self-care is taking care of our physical wellbeing - making sure that our bodies are strong, healthy and able to meet the challenges of daily life. This includes ensuring they get enough sleep, take part in sports and activities, drink plenty of fluids (especially water) and eat a healthy balanced diet. Some of our families have told us that during lockdown their usual healthy routines were interrupted - sometimes due to restrictions around shopping and locating certain food items, due to reduced budgets and incomes, due to increased baking meaning there were more sweet treats to indulge in at home, or a reliance on takeaways and convenience food to break up the monotony of restrictions. We have been asked for guidance to support families in trying to re-establish healthier mealtimes and attitudes to food, so with this in mind wanted to share some excellent resources and websites that you may find useful.

Change for life <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

This is the NHS website to support families with healthy eating, encouraging children to get involved in the kitchen and general family wellbeing. There are lots of great recipes, ideas and videos to support a whole family approach to wellbeing.

Be Your Best Surrey <https://www.bybsurrey.org/>

This website has a wealth of videos and resources to support healthy eating and wellbeing and provides specific support for parents of children who may weigh more than they should. You can apply for personal support, group sessions and support with budgeting and meal plans subject to eligibility criteria. The site also has a number of tips to encourage your children to be active, along with a range of wellbeing videos and resources.

BBC Good Food <https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/healthy-family-recipes>

This site has a huge range of family friendly healthy recipes to suit all budgets.

There are also resources to support fussy eaters in our Wellbeing Google Classroom - the code is **(x2fftuw)**.

If you have any concerns about your child's mental or physical wellbeing, please speak to a member of the Pastoral Team.

Home Learning Stars

Well done to Willow, Shreeyaa, Ryan, Elliot, Zainab and Yugdeep from Year 1 who created some amazing home learning based on their topic Rio de Vida. Great work!

We look forward to seeing further projects in the future.

