

Springfield Newsletter

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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the last newsletter of the year and this week it has been filled with activity. **RS Week** has taken place with children exploring different faiths through research posters, poetry, art work and much more! On Thursday it was the national **Young Geographer Day**, where pupils this week have been metaphorically trotting the globe, finding out more about different countries, the environments and cultures. Well-done children for some excellent learning and fantastic work!



I am delighted to let everyone know that **Mrs Fennell has had a little boy**. Both mum and baby are doing well. Mrs Fennell sends her best wishes and hopes to come into school in the new year. On another note of celebration, **Mr Holton is getting married** in the summer break and we wish him all the very best for the big day. **Miss Birt** joined Springfield as Woodpecker's class teacher, but is **sadly leaving as she assumes a new leadership role in another school**. Miss Birt has been a cherished member of staff and we thank her for the great care she has afforded her children and her excellent leadership of English.

This week we have held our **first graduations for Reception and Year 6 pupils**. It was with enormous pride that we celebrated all that the children have worked so hard to achieve this year. Year 6 have developed into excellent role models for our younger children. As a cohort we will remember them for their great humour, care for each other and resilience when faced with a number challenges. We wish all pupils in Year 6 well for their future endeavours in their new secondary schools.



Finally, I wish to **extend my deepest thanks to all parents for your unfaltering support of the school**. Such kindness, positivity and encouragement, at times when it has mattered the most, has enabled staff to keep striving to do the very best for the children. For now though, I hope that when the end of term comes next week, you all have a lovely, well-deserved summer with the children, enjoying a restful break.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 20th July

Last Day of Term

Finish times are:

Nursery at 12.45pm
Reception at 12.55pm
Sparrow at 1.00pm
Nightingale at 1.05pm
Mole at 1.05pm
Woodpecker at 1.10pm
Bat at 1.15pm
Stoat at 1.15pm
Otter at 1.20pm
Buzzard & Osprey at 1.25pm
Eagle & Falcon at 1.30pm
(children will leave from their normal exit)

Wednesday 21st July

INSET day

Wednesday 1st September & Thursday 2nd September

INSET days

Friday 3rd September

Start of Term

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.



Reading at Springfield

This summer we are launching the Springfield Summer Reading Challenge. The challenge is to read six books over the summer holidays (roughly one book per week). Those that complete the challenge will receive a certificate and a Mufti Day on Friday 10th September. Your child will be bringing the Springfield Summer Reading Challenge sheet home with them, but we have also attached one in case it is lost. Please encourage your child to complete the challenge and then sign their challenge sheet once complete. This challenge is a great way to ensure that children retain and develop their reading skills over the long summer break.



Maths at Springfield - Key Stage 1

Numicon is a teaching resource designed to help children when they are beginning to recognise numbers and number relationships (at-home sets are available for around £40).

Each Numicon is a different shape and colour and represents a different number up to 10. Because it is multi-sensory, it helps children develop a visual image of what a number 'looks' like. They can develop their understanding of the relationships between numbers, for example by finding all the different combinations of Numicon which make 10. Older children can use Numicon to help understand decimal numbers, or to reinforce ideas they might find tricky.



Support for Families

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Firstly, thank you for all the uniform, clothes and book donation; we have been overwhelmed with the generosity of our families and cannot thank you enough for your continued support! These have been very well received and have had a huge impact on our families and community. For an additional stall, we would like to ask for donations of 'dressing up costumes'. This is a great resource to encourage role play but also support for future dress up days within school. Any feedback regarding donations, would be greatly welcomed.

Summer Workshops

Surrey online are offering a wealth of workshops over the summer to support families in our community. These workshops are all run virtually and are available to parents, carers and grandparents of who attend school in Surrey. To book onto the courses, click on the links below.

[The Gruffalo Storytelling Workshop \(4-7 yr olds\) Saturday 7th August 10-11.30am](#)

[Elmer Storytelling Workshop \(2-4 yr olds\) Saturday 28th August 10-11.30am](#)

[The Hungry Caterpillar Storytelling Workshop \(2-4 yrs olds\) Saturday 4th September 10-11.30am](#)

Miss Potter and Miss Seagrove

Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Producing high quality work in R.E.':

Sparrow	- Liberty	Stoat	- Ruby
Nightingale	- Harper	Otter	- Ruby-Raine
Woodpecker	- Lyla	Buzzard	- Megan
Mole	- IreOluwa	Osprey	- Rachel
Bat	- Elizabetha	Eagle	- Sithuki
		Falcon	- Jared

This week's **Super Citizens** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Remaining positive and staying focused towards the end of year':

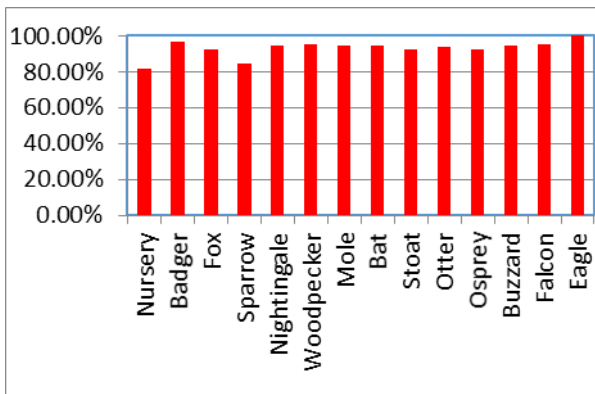
Sparrow	- Sadie	Stoat	- Giorgio
Nightingale	- Maddison	Otter	- Freya
Woodpecker	- Freddie	Buzzard	- Lacey
Mole	- Dominic	Osprey	- Jai
Bat	- Elisha	Eagle	- Sophie
		Falcon	- Rex

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

Badger Class:	Fox Class:
King - Vlad	King - Adam
Queen - Maelys	Queen - Inaayat

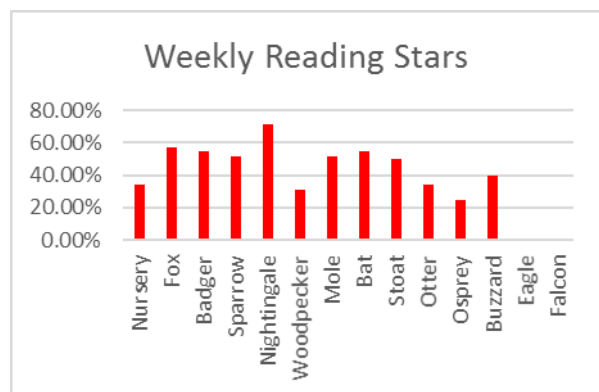
TT Rockstars – Bat class are winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Jack (Y3), Emily (Y5), Tommy (Y3).

Numbots – Mole class are at the top of this week's leader board. Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Charlotte (Y1) Shreeya (Y1) and Willow (Y1). Ryan (Y1) achieved his Iron level, Luke (Y2) achieved his Silver level and Krish (Y1) achieved his Tin level. Well done everyone!



Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for week commencing 5th July are:

EYFS & KS1:	Badger – 96.5%
KS2:	Eagle – 100%



Reading Stars – Winners of the reading stars for week commencing 5th July are Nightingale class with 71.4%

Children's Anti-Bullying Policy

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Earlier this year we were delighted to be awarded Gold Status by the Anti-bullying Alliance to reflect our commitment to making Springfield a caring and welcoming environment for all children. As part of the review conducted under the accreditation, it was recommended that we work with the children to develop a "child-friendly" anti-bullying policy. This document, which is based on and contains the key elements of the school's formal Anti-bullying policy, will be shared with all children and their families to ensure that everyone knows and understands how best to support our pupils and how any worries or concerns can be reported.

This document is now available on our school website and you can view it here. In September, all children will be introduced to the policy in a special assembly, and posters and copies of the policy will be available in all classrooms and in key points around the school.

We would like to thank Phoebe, Tom, Sidney and Lily for their work in helping Mrs Standing to develop this important document and Emily, Tom and Molly in Year 6 for their beautiful artwork.

Geographer of the Year Event

Springfield School ran a Young Geographer of the Year event on Thursday 15th July in the school hall. This was a chance for all classes to show some of the fantastic work they have completed as part of a Geography project based upon where people could and could not travel to during the pandemic.

The focus for the project titled: 'Remapping our lives' is part of a nationwide competition run by the Royal Geographical Society and has been a chance for children across the country to develop their Geographical skills and showcase this in a single piece of work. The children across the school completed some excellent work, with one from each year group winning a small prize for their efforts. A big well done to all the young Geographers at Springfield, you have done us proud!



E-Safety

Keeping your children safe over the summer holiday.

As we move towards the 6 week summer break, as a school we thought we would share some useful resources that will provide advice and reassurance on how to keep your children safe online during the summer. As we know, the internet is an incredibly useful and exciting tool to socialise with friends, communicate with family, whilst benefiting children's mental health and wellbeing. When children spend more time online, they may, however, be exposed to greater online risks. Your child needs reminding that they cannot trust everyone they meet online. Let them know that they should be careful and let you know if they feel uncomfortable, worried or frightened about any online activity during the summer.

If during the summer break, you are concerned with anything you may see or hear on a child's device, you can report the issue to CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) for immediate response <https://www.ceop.police.uk/Ceop-Report/> or call 101 and ask for the Child Online Safeguarding Team, as they may be at risk.