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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week special congratulations is extended to two children who have achieved **extraordinary accolades for their sporting and literary endeavours**. **Santino (Eagle)** has been nominated for the **Spelthorne Sports Youth Award** and **Dominic (Bat)** has become a published poet through the **Young Writers competition**. As the sporting battle between **Pupils V Staff** hots up, it is fair to say that teachers were trounced by Woodpecker in dodgeball. We were clearly out of our depth and it showed; well-done children!

Thank-you to all adults who were able to join in the **Reception Family Learning afternoons this week**; we hope you enjoyed time with your child finding out more about how **maths is taught in school and can be supported at home**.

As the term comes to a close, we are saying a sad **farewell to Mrs Firth**, our class teacher in the Nursery. Mrs Firth has been a much valued member of the school team and will be very much missed by us all. **Miss Butler**, who already teaches in the setting, will be taking on her role from January.

As Covid-cases in school continue to fluctuate, I know many of you will appreciate the **challenges this brings for the staff**. In this, I want to offer my **deepest thanks to an incredible staff body**, who remain steadfastly dedicated to supporting the learning and welfare needs of the children which means going above and beyond every day!

Final thanks is extended to our **highly-committed PTA, who have worked tirelessly in preparations for a number of Christmas events** in the coming weeks. This week started on a high with an excellent children's Christmas Fair. In unison with the school, the PTA want to help make this year a special festive period for pupils and so we are incredibly grateful for their efforts in making this so.

Next week is set to another busy one and so for now, I wish everyone a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher



Dates for your diary

Monday 6th December
2.00pm - Year 3 Family Learning

Wednesday 8th December
9.30am – Reception Christmas performance
2.30pm – Year 1 Christmas performance

Thursday 9th December
9.30am – Open Morning
9.30am – Year 1 Christmas performance
2.30pm – Reception Christmas performance

Friday 10th December

- Christmas Jumper Day
- Christmas Lunch
- PTA Christmas Baubles

Tuesday 14th December

- 9:30 and 2.30 – Year 2 Christmas productions
- Last session for Year 4 swimming

Wednesday 15th December

- PTA Christmas virtual panto
- Nursery Christmas craft and song:
 - 10.30am – Hedgehogs and Squirrels
 - 1.30pm – Squirrels and Owls

Thursday 16th December
KS2 Carol Concert

Friday 17th December

- Christmas party
- 1.30pm – Last day of autumn term

English at Springfield

Thank-you to all the families who attended the Book Fair this week and supported the school by buying books. We made a total of £660.40, which meant teachers could use 50% of the money spent to add more books to their book corners.

Attached to this newsletter you will find a copy of a competition, from the author Andy Huxtable. The winner of this competition can win £100, a signed copy of one of his books and the chance to feature in one of Andy's Huxtable's new books. To submit your entries please send them to charlieant@btinternet.com

A final thank-you goes to all the parents who were able to attend last week's *Supporting English at Home* training session. If you were unable to attend this, a copy of the PowerPoint is available on the website.

Maths

Christmas maths word problems

1. Santa had 15 gifts in his sack. 6 of these gifts were for girls, how many were for boys?
2. Sarah bought 7 gifts for her family. She has wrapped 3 of them. How many more does she need to wrap?
3. Tony bought 20 tree decorations. He put ten on the front of the tree. How many did he put on the back of the tree?
4. Amy had £20 to buy two gifts. She spent £11 on one gift. How much money did she spend on the other gift?
5. Today is the 3rd of December. How many more days until Christmas?



Nursery

If you have a pre-Nursery or a Nursery child who will require a place in September or know of anyone that does, please come along or let them know about our Open Mornings below:

Open Mornings 9.30-10.30am

9th December 6th January
14th December 11th January
19th December

Please email your attendance

Email: info@springfield.surrey.sch.uk

website: www.springfieldsch.org

General Information

Friday 10th December

- Christmas Jumper day, children can come into school wearing a Christmas jumper with their school uniform for a donation of £1, a collection bucket will be at the school gate.
- Christmas Lunch taking place
- Christmas Bauble Workshop



Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Showing good problem solving skills':

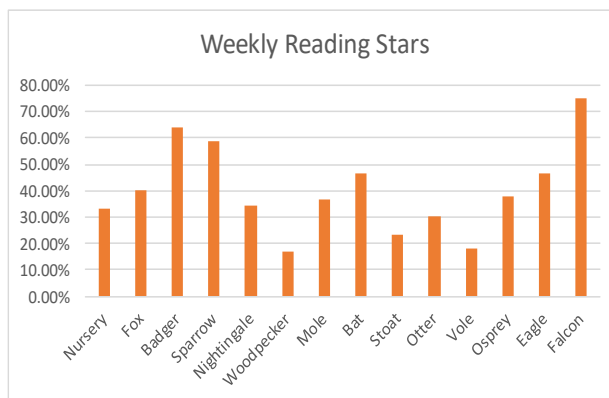
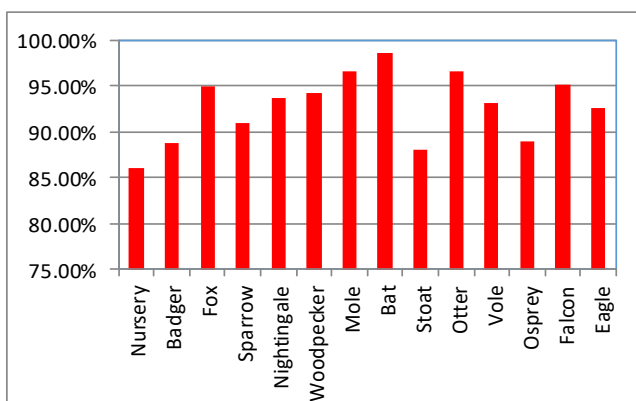
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| Sparrow - Keith | Stoat - Freddie |
| Nightingale - Oliver | Otter - Elisha |
| Woodpecker - George | Vole - Jack |
| Mole - Tisha | Osprey - Archie |
| Bat - Riley | Eagle - Oliver |
| | Falcon - Arjun |

This week's **Super Citizens** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Using kind words towards others':

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| Sparrow - Kiera-Lexi | Stoat - Poppy |
| Nightingale - Taya | Otter - Baye |
| Woodpecker - Martha | Vole - Ruby |
| Mole - Yugdeep | Osprey - Tom |
| Bat - Theo | Eagle - Dani |
| | Falcon - Usman |

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

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| Badger Class: | Fox Class: |
| King - Lewis | King - Kevin |
| Queen - Ella | Queen - Iyanu |



Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for week commencing 22nd November are:

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| KS1: | Mole – 96.6% |
| KS2: | Bat – 98.7 |

Reading Stars – Winners for week commencing 22nd November with 75% is Falcon class.

TT Rockstars – Eagle class are winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Lucas (Y4), Leila (Y3) and Emily (Y6).

Numbots – Mole class are winners this week. Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Maelys (Y1), Ethan (Y1) and Charlotte (Y2).

- Krish (Y2) achieved the Kevlar level
- Steven (Y1), Mustafa (Y2) achieved the Tin level
- Steven (Y1) achieved the Brass level

Well done everyone!

Gugafit – Osprey class are winners for week commencing 22nd November.

House points – 1st Chestnut (323), 2nd Beech (315), 3rd Pine (226), 4th Willow (217)

Year 6 Science Workshop

On Monday, Year 6 children were visited by the Hands on Science workshop, where they experienced a real life dissection of a lamb's heart. The circulation and heart dissection was carefully supervised and was a truly inspiring workshop. It really brought anatomy to life, and provided a unique learning experience for our children.

Within this session, they also learnt the importance of how to keep their bodies healthy, with discussions around a balanced diet, exercise and life choices.



PTA Christmas Fair

The children were in the festive spirit this week, enjoying the Christmas Fair and a visit from Santa.

