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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 4 ended the term with a 'wow' curriculum workshop on the Victorians. Pupils learnt about key historical moments within this period, including participating in a textiles workshop. **Year 2 finished our programme of Christmas performances with a splendid performance of festive songs.** Thank-you to all adults for whom were able to attend and the Year 2 team for the preparations for this event.



Mr Davies led our virtual **KS2 Carol Concert** and **Christmas Quiz**; pupils impressed us with their enthusiastic, animated singing and general knowledge: well-done children!

The **Pupils V Staff sports competition is heating up**, with a fiercely fought hockey match on Thursday. Well-done to the children, who really showed exceptional skill and determination, teaching us adults a thing or two!

If you are seeking a place in either the **Nursery or Reception for September 2022**, please apply before the deadline of **15th January**. Places in the Nursery can be applied for via the school website, under Nursery Admissions and for Reception places please apply through accessing the Surrey Admissions portal [Admissions Information - Springfield Primary School \(springfieldsch.org\)](https://www.surreyadmissions.gov.uk/). If you require any guidance on admissions, please speak with our Admissions Officer, Mrs Geeson.

Thank-you to the **PTA for the excellent organisation which sat behind the virtual Christmas pantomime**; it was enjoyed by children and adults alike!



For now, after a very busy term with much to celebrate in the children's learning, I wish all families a good Christmas break and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 4th January
INSET day

Wednesday 5th January
Children return to school

Thursday 6th January
9:30 – Open morning

Friday 7th January
9:00 – Coffee morning

Monday 10th January
Boosters and clubs start

Tuesday 11th January
9:30 – Open morning

Surplus for Supper will continue to deliver over Christmas on 21st and 28th December and 4th January. Collection times will be between 12pm and 3pm.

English at Springfield

Having the time to read with your child over the Christmas period can be fantastic for families. We are looking forward to welcoming back many Reading Stars after the break. Remember five signatures in the reading record will ensure your child can become a Reading Star!

Below are 10 top tips to help children enjoy reading taken from <https://www.pearson.com/uk/>, who asked experts and authors for their views.

1. **Make books a part of family life** – Always have books around at home. That way you and your children are ready to get reading, even if it's only for ten minutes.
2. **Join your local library** – Get your child a library card. They'll be able to get their hands on hundreds of fantastic books, as well as the latest video games, blu-rays and DVDs. Let them choose what they want to read to help them develop their own interests.
3. **Read about something they're interested in** – Help your child find the right book for them. It doesn't matter if it's fiction, poetry, comic books or non-fiction.
4. **All reading is good** – Don't rule out non-fiction, comics, graphic novels, magazines or leaflets. Reading is reading and it's all worthwhile.
5. **Get comfortable!** – Snuggle up together somewhere warm and cosy, whether it's in bed, on a beanbag or on the sofa. And make sure your child has somewhere comfy to read on their own too.
6. **Ask questions** – To keep them interested in the story, ask your child questions as you read. Start with 'Where did we get to last time?', 'Can you remember what's happened so far?' and 'What do you think will happen next?'
7. **Read whenever you get the chance** – Have a book or magazine with you for any time your child has to wait, like at the doctors or the dentists.
8. **Read favourites again and again** – Encourage your child to re-read the books and poems they love. Re-reading helps to build fluency and confidence.
9. **Enjoy bedtime stories** – Read with your kids at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them.
10. **Make the most of rhyme and repetition** – Books and poems with rhymes and repeated words or phrases are great for getting your children to join in and remember the words.



Awards

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being 'Demonstrating great communication skills':

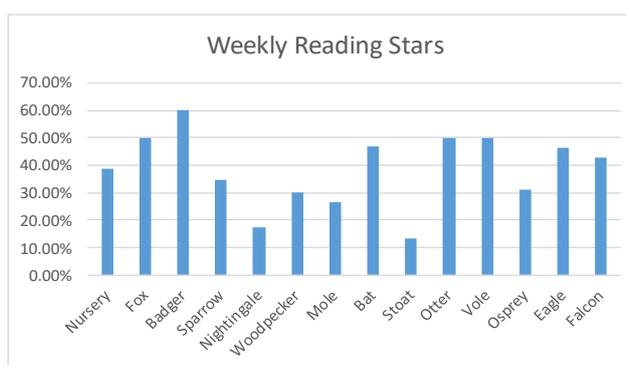
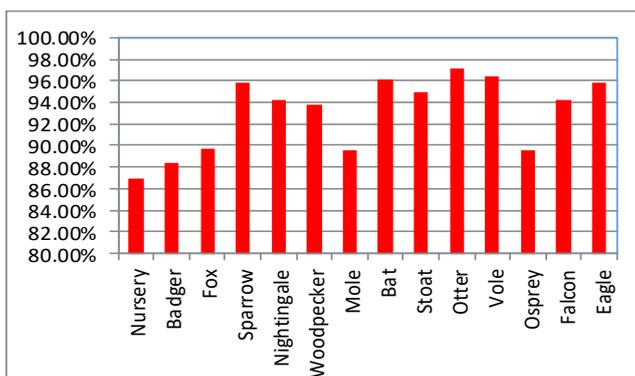
Sparrow - Grace	Stoat - Tiger-Lily
Nightingale - Mason	Otter - Emily
Woodpecker - Alex	Vole - Ruby
Mole - Lenny	Osprey - Preston
Bat - Lexi	Eagle - Jai
	Falcon - Sienna

This week's **Super Citizens** were celebrated today, the focus was 'Being a good role model for behaviour':

Sparrow - Noah	Stoat - Samia
Nightingale - Vlad	Otter - Tommy
Woodpecker - George	Vole - Angel
Mole - Jacob	Osprey - Madison
Bat - Adya	Eagle - Deandre
	Falcon - Baneet

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

Badger Class:	Fox Class:
King - Llyle-Ray	King - Nathan
Queen - Lily	Queen - Emily



Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for the week commencing Monday 6th December are:

KS1: Nightingale – 94.5%

KS2: Otter – 99.6%

Reading Stars – Winners for the week commencing Monday 6th December, with 60% is Badger class.

TT Rockstars – Vole class are winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Lacey (Y6), Navraj (Y4) and Vinny (Y6).

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

- Charlotte (Y2) achieved the Copper level
- James (Y2) achieved Copper level
- Lucas (Y2) achieved Iron level

Well-done everyone!

Gugafit winners - Vole class.

House points – 1st Willow (353) 2nd Beech (349), 3rd Pine (312) 4th Chestnut (293)

Whole Term house point statistics – 1st Willow (1060), 2nd Chestnut (958), 3rd Pine (938), 4th Beech (906)

Eagle Class earned the most house points across the term (798).

First week back at school, focus for Lead Learner is, **having a good start to the spring term.**

First week back at school, focus for Super Citizen is, **contributing frequently in class.**

Pastoral

The Pastoral team are still collecting uniform donations. These will be washed and a stall put outside the front of school on the first week of every month. Please help yourself to any uniform needed.

Next Uniform Stand - 4th January 2022

General Information

OSCAHS – from Monday 20th to Friday 24th December OSCAHS will be running a holiday club here at Springfield Primary School, for more information and to book visit www.oscahs.com

Sports Focus – during the Christmas break, Sports Focus will be running a multisport camp at Matthew Arnold Sports Centre from Monday 20th to Wednesday 22nd December.

The booking form is available at <https://forms.gle/4kvEkqyYB4r6KbCX8>

Attendance Policy - changes have been made to our Attendance Policy in relation to unauthorised attendance and lateness , please refer to the updated version on our school website. A copy of the updated policy will be emailed out to all parents.

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

Thursday 6th January

Tuesday 11th January

Please email your attendance

Email: info@springfield.surrey.sch.uk

website: www.springfieldsch.org