# **Springfield Newsletter**

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#### A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Bat Class led a highly-polished performance in their class assembly this week about urban culture, in particular community art, music and poetry. Pupils in Year 6 competed at the Spelthorne Indoor Annual Athletics event on Tuesday, demonstrating real sporting spirit, completing at all levels. Burwell House welcomed our Year 5 pupils, as part of a three day residential trip, taking part in an array of activities which has left them quite exhausted. Well-done to all children for some excellent learning this week.





As part of our **well-being curriculum, Thrive assemblies and workshops** have taken place this week, thinking about inspirational role models and what we can learn from them.

Thank-you to all families able to attend our **Reception Phonics Family Learning** afternoons this week. It was wonderful to see so many in attendance, learning alongside the children.









Feedback on our **draft Uniform Policy for next year** has been very much appreciated and will be used to inform a final policy which will be shared with parents as soon as is reasonably possible.

Final thanks is extended to the **PTA for organising this year's Penny War,** something both pupils and staff have already become very competitive about.

I wish all a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins Headteacher

## Dates for your diary

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 8th February

Year 4 Family Learning -2.00pm

Half-term:

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Year 3 Family Learning – 2.00pm

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February
World Book Week

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Woodpecker Class assembly, 9.00am

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

World Book Day (pupils to dress up as their favourite character)

Friday 4th March

Coffee morning with the pastoral team

# **English at Springfield**

#### Writing competition

This week we are giving pupils the chance to enter a writing competition through PiXL Primary, where they can win £100 in book vouchers for their class and a signed copy of the book 'Lockdown Looms: Reggie's Birthday Party', which they can keep.

#### The rules:

Lockdown Looms is a tale told through the eyes of young Reggie, whose eighth birthday happens to fall during lockdown. As we now appear to be coming away from lockdowns and the rules are becoming more relaxed, please write a letter to Banji about what Reggie can look forward to for his ninth birthday party. What might his hopes, worries and dreams be for a very special birthday party and who might he invite?

PiXL will be looking at presentation, punctuation, and the most creative ideas/advice given to Reggie! They have requested that all letters must be handwritten in legible writing.

To enter, they have requested that you email a clear scan (or photograph) your child's letter to primary@pixl.org.uk stating the child's first name, year group, school and postcode. Closing date for letters will be Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February. The winners will be announced by Banji Alexander at the Primary National Conference at the Lancashire Cricket Ground on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022.

## **Maths at Springfield**

Here are some ways for parents to celebrate maths with younger children as part of their day:

- Board games, particularly ones with linear, numbered, equal-sized spaces can be useful for the development of early number skills. Most families will have 'Snakes and Ladders' or something similar; if not, this is a great opportunity to make your own!
- Incorporate mathematics into everyday routines and activities: tidying up and meal times in particular provide opportunities for conversations about counting, comparing, time, and sharing.
- Snack times and meals are a great opportunity to learn mathematics, such as counting, estimating and comparing. For example, with young children, you could count and match items in a 'Teddy Bears' Picnic.' You can compare quantities such as more or less or quantify food items (making sure to link the last number counted to the number of items in the set) or discuss the capacity of different cups or jugs. A parent or puppet can make deliberate errors in counting and sharing, with the child encouraged to identify these mistakes.

## **General Information**

Clubs and Boosters – If for any reason your child is not attending their club or booster, please could you kindly email the school office <a href="mailto:info@springfield.surrey.sch.uk">info@springfield.surrey.sch.uk</a> no later than 12noon on that day. Clubs and Boosters will continue to run after half term from week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> February.

**School Dinners** – A reminder to please book school lunches by 1pm on Friday with your child's meal selection for the following week.

#### **Awards**

- Molly

This week's **Lead Learners** were celebrated today, the focus being 'creating excellent art work':

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Sparrow	- Katrin	Stoat	- Poppy
Nightingale	- Lewis	Otter	- Navraj
Woodpecker	- Charlotte	Vole	- Bonnie-May
Mole	- Ava	Osprey	- Rita
Bat	- Raife	Eagle	- Thom

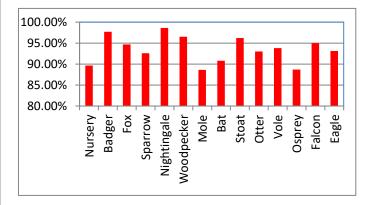
This week's Super Citizens were celebrated today, the focus was 'helping others to achieve their goals':

Falcon

Sparrow	- Jayden-John	Stoat	- Luke
Nightingale	- Esther	Otter	- Eadie
Woodpecker	- Zainab	Vole	- Casey
Mole	- Jack	Osprey	- Sidney
Bat	- Riley	Eagle	- Liam
		Falcon	- Mylo

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

Badger	Class:	Fox Clas	ss:	Nursery	/ Hedgehogs:	Nursery	Squirrels:	Nursery	/ Owls:
King	- Llyle-Ray	King	- Phronesis	King	- Harvey.T	King	- Ayan	King	- Jesse
Queen	- Fia	Queen	- Bea	Queen	- Iris	Queen	- Scarlett	Queen	- Kelly





**Attendance** – Winners of the attendance cup for the week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> January are:

EYFS/KS1: Nightingale – 98.6%

**KS2:** Stoat – 96.2%

#### **Reading Raffle:**

The winners of last week's reading raffle are Badger Class and Bat Class both with 63.33%

TT Rockstars – Vole Class are our TT Rockstars winners this week. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Jack (Y4), Giorgio (Y4) and Tommy (Y4).

Numbots – Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most correct answers are Maelys (Y1), Willow (Y2) and James (Y2)

- James achieved Steel level
- Ethan and Sargam achieved Brass level

Well-done everyone!

**Gugafit winners** – Eagle Class are winners for week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> January.

Housepoint winners – 1st place Pine – 124, 2nd place Beech – 111, 3rd place Chestnut – 93, 4th place Willow - 58

The focus for Lead Learner next week is, For showing enthusiasm in music.

The focus for Super Citizen next week is, Working hard to achieve their own goals.

### **Athletics**

Last Friday our girls' football team travelled to Clarendon for their first school fixture of the season. Despite some nerves, having not had this opportunity to play competitively together the girls gave their all. Well-done to Baneet, Molly, Ava, Bethany, Lola, Isla, Megan, Phoebe, Maisy and Chloe.

This week we competed in the indoor athletics at Spelthorne Leisure Centre. Eagle and Falcon classes both attended this event. It was tense from the start, and even during our coach journey there was a debate on who was going to win out of the two classes. It was a fantastic day, with every member of Year 6 playing a part in their classes overall tally. A particular highlight of the event was our javelin throw, in which every child that represented Springfield (12 individual children) finished either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> out of the 12 separate stages. Following this event, we are delighted to announce that every member of the Year 6 team has now represented the school in competitive sport. Well-done on a really successful event!





# **Open Mornings**

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

Nursery Open Mornings 9.30-10.30am

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March

Please email your attendance

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