

Springfield Newsletter

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Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 17th October

Thrive@Springfield wellbeing workshops for children Years R-6

Friday 18th October

Friendly Friday for Reception parents – 2.40pm-3.05pm

HALF TERM

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Monday 4th November

NSPCC Week

Tuesday 5th November

Open Morning for prospective parents – 9.30am-10.30am

Monday 11th November

Anti-bullying Week

Wednesday 13th November

Parents' Evening – 3.45pm-6.05pm

Thursday 14th November

Parents' Evening – 4.00pm-7.00pm

School Dinners:

Next week's menu is Week 2 of the spring/summer menu.

Meals are to be booked online in advance by no later than Friday lunchtime of preceding week.



A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Pupils in Year 4 have had a magical week, visiting Harry Potter World, as part of their Potions topic for this half-term. Year 3 have produced some exceptional writing about the Iron Man and girls in Years 4-5 played brilliantly against Buckland Primary School.

On Monday after school, Mrs Wilson and Mr Gough led a workshop for parents about keeping children safe whilst online. The presentation is on the website, under the Safeguarding tab. Information shared was informed through a number of safeguarding sources, providing the following guidance for parents:

- Keep the computer in a high-traffic area of your home.
- Establish limits for which online sites children may visit and for how long.
- Remember that Internet technology can be mobile, so make sure to monitor mobile phones, gaming devices, and laptops.
- Surf the Internet with your children and let them show you what they like to do online.
- Know who is connecting with your children online and set rules for social networking, instant messaging, e-mailing, online gaming, and using webcams.
- Check the browser search history on a regular basis.

In the Parent Forum we discussed online safety and possible websites which could provide up-to-date information for parents to help keep on abreast of new technologies which may pose a risk to children.

Below are those recommended:

- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>
- <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers>
- <http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>
- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>
- <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/parents>
- <http://www.netsmartz.org/Parents>

Thanks this week goes to the PTA for the preparations undertaken for our annual fireworks display on 8th November, 6-8pm.

I wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins
Headteacher

Reading at Springfield

Please find below a fantastic video that supports reading with your child at home:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-OG2Q6pPQYw>



How To Read With Your Child

Parents MUST help their children become interested in reading if they are to succeed in school. These 5 tips will make reading with your child more effective: <http://www.hamptonschoolmu.com> - Hampton School Mauritius 1. Show them the cover Before reading to your child, show them the cover of the book and ask them questions about it. This is a ...

www.youtube.com

General Information

PTA News:-

- **Annual General Meeting** – Please find attached a flyer with information about the Annual General Meeting. Everyone is welcome.
- **Fireworks Night** – The PTA are really excited to once again run the annual Fireworks Night. Please find attached a flyer with information. Ticket order forms will be sent home soon.

Holiday Activities – Please find attached a leaflet from Spelthorne Council with information about holiday activities. Also attached is information about the Koosa Kids Winter holiday clubs, which includes the October half term.

Lead Learner and Super Citizen

This week's Lead Learners were celebrated today, the focus being 'Diving deeper in their learning':

Sparrow	- Evelyn	Otter	- Jai
Nightingale	- IreOluwa	Stoat	- Oliver
Woodpecker	- Bonnie	Buzzard	- Sithuki
Mole	- Maya	Osprey	- Joshua
Bat	- Thomas	Eagle	- Alex
		Falcon	- Alayna

This week's Super Citizens were celebrated today, the focus being 'Following the Springfield 7':

Sparrow	- Kai	Otter	- Adriana
Nightingale	- Miley	Stoat	- Baneet
Woodpecker	- Charlie	Buzzard	- Edward
Mole	- Maria	Osprey	- Jonathan
Bat	- Sharlene	Eagle	- Elodie
		Falcon	- Luca

Reception classes are celebrating King and Queen of the week for each Reception class:

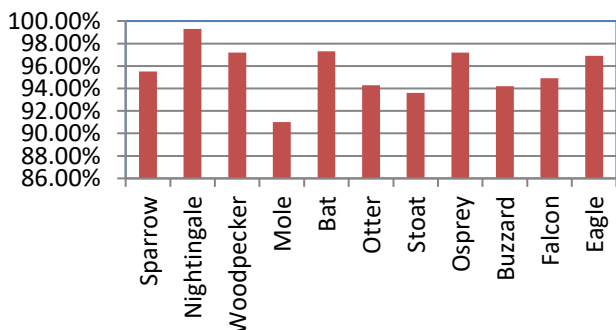
Fox class
King - Alfie
Queen - Sienna



Badger class
King - Ege
Queen - Star



Awards



Attendance -

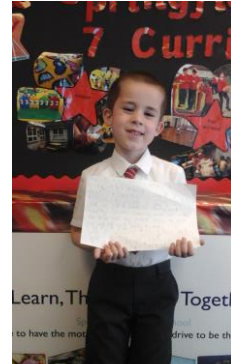
The winners for week ending 4th October are:-
KS1 – Nightingale with 99.3%
KS2 – Bat with 97.3%



House Point Winners – St George and St David

Home Learning Stars

There was some amazing home learning this week. Year 5 children brought in home learning linked to their topic 'Pharaohs', with Leyton's drawing of Anubis, Sophie's Egyptian pendant and Sofia's acrostic poem and research on Cleopatra. Jack in Year 1 brought in some fantastic writing all about the park. Well done!



Year 4 trip to Harry Potter Studios

Year 4 had a magical time at the Harry Potter Studios. The visual effects of the fire-breathing dragon amazed them. The 3D model of Hogwarts wowed them. They braved the Enchanted Forest and flew on broomsticks. It was lovely to see their excitement and excellent behaviour throughout the day.



Year 6 trip to Kingswood, Isle of Wight

Last Monday, 41 intrepid children accompanied by five members of staff, set off for the Kingswood Adventure Centre on the Isle of Wight. After a rather wet start, the weather co-operated and the children were able to face all manner of challenges using some great teamwork to solve the many different problems they were set.

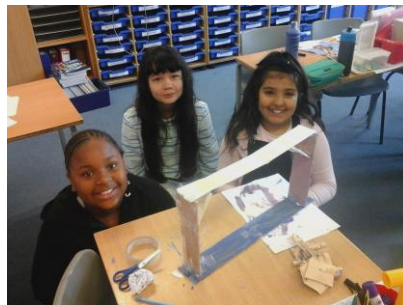
Highlights included the Leap of Faith where children had to leap off a tall pole to grab a buoy suspended high in the air, and the Balance Beam, which required us to play 'rock, paper, scissors' at a great height! There were obstacle courses, the enormous 3G swing and mud-filled trails to navigate blindfolded, as well as lessons in bush craft where we learned to build fires and a woodland shelter. Some tricky challenges also required some very creative thinking. The week culminated with our brave children donning full wet suits and life vests and plunging into the sea to ride the rafts they had built out of barrels and ropes.

After a week of big breakfasts, cooked lunches and dinners, we all came home heavier, and completely exhausted, but also much happier for having conquered some fears and acquired new skills.



Year 6 Activity Week

Last week, Mr Gough and Mrs Owen accompanied a lovely group of year 6 children during their Activity Week. The children were treated to a variety of outings, including trips to Kidabulous and Cedars Park. They created self-portraits in art, and built bridges in DT. The children were able to bring in their bicycles and scooters to enjoy a riding session in the playground. They ended their week on a high by making their own pizzas from scratch with toppings of their choice.



Sports News – Benchball Match

Yesterday, we welcomed Buckland Primary School to Springfield Primary School for a bench ball match. Springfield and Buckland entered Year 4 and Year 5 girls' teams. The matches were based on the best out of three in both year groups. Springfield were fantastic with some great movement with, and without the ball making it almost impossible for Buckland to regain possession. We won all the matches! The girls have trained hard every lunchtime this week to ensure they understood their own roles in the team. Well done to all those girls who committed to the extra practice and reaped the rewards. Grace, Nya, Sophie, Skye, Alice, Ruby, Lakshmi, Sithuki, Tilly, Summer, Ameila, Molly, Bethany, Emily, Megan, Reina, Imogen, Sienna and Adrianna.



Education, Health & Care Plans: All you need to know about getting the right plan for your child

Wednesday 16th October 2019
Slough, Berkshire

A FREE event aimed at developing your understanding of the EHCP process, helping you make informed and positive decisions regarding your child's education.

The day will cover topics such as:

What is an EHC Plan?

What an EHC plan means for you and your child.

What is an EHC needs assessment and how to request one?

Timescales, rights of appeal and annual reviews.

This course is intended for those who haven't yet started or who are just starting out on the EHCP journey (not an appeals workshop)



A FREE Education, Health & Care Plan workshop for parents and carers

This event is being organised by Witherslack Group, the leading provider of specialist education and care for children and young people with Special Educational Needs. The high standard of the Group's schools, children's homes and integrated provisions are consistently recognised, not only by Ofsted, but also by the children, young people and families who benefit from this specialist approach.

Our EHCP workshops are facilitated by the ADHD Foundation, a registered charity that works in partnership with individuals, families, doctors, teachers and other agencies to improve emotional wellbeing, educational attainment, behaviour and life chances through better understanding and self-management of ADHD, ASD and related learning difficulties.



Event Date: Wednesday 16th October 2019 **Time:** 10am - 3pm

Venue: Slough Aspire, 350 Edinburgh Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, Slough, SL1 4TU

Book online by visiting: www.witherslackgroup.co.uk/events/london-ehcp



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