



# Springfield Newsletter

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## Dates for Your Diary

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Bat class assembly

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Scholastic Book Fair (outside the front of school)

### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Flu Vaccinations - Years R to 6 (complete consents online)

### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

- Mufti Day for the Bottle Tombola
- KS2 Carol Service for the children
- PTA Christmas Fair 5.00pm-7.00pm

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Nursery and Reception Christmas Production – 9.30am

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

- Children's Christmas lunch
- Nursery and Reception Christmas Production – 2.15pm

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day – more information to follow

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

KS1 Christmas Performances – 9.30am and 2.15pm

### School Dinners:

The menu w/c 25<sup>th</sup> November is Week 1 of the new Autumn/ Winter 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,

It has been a real pleasure this week to see the dividends of the pupils' artistic endeavours in the art exhibition this week. Thank-you to all parents for whom were able to attend and well-done children for such impressive creations. Our hockey players this week have much to be proud of in their exceptional performance at the Hockey Festival on Thursday; their medals were well deserved!

Thank-you to all parents who were able to be part of the Parent Forum this week. We greatly appreciate your feedback, with some excellent ideas that we will take forward.

We wish Mrs Newble all the best as she goes on maternity leave next Friday, 29th November. Children, staff and parents will greatly miss all that she has brought to Reception, but in this are very much looking forward to having a cuddle with Baby Newble in January.

This week, Mrs Duncan (head teacher at Sunbury Manor), Mr Aldridge (head teacher at Bishop Wand) and myself met with Councillor Fidler and representatives from Surrey County Council to discuss improvements to local road safety, which included traffic calming, cycle lanes, parking controls and crossing attendance. A strong case exemplifying our shared, significant concerns was put forward and this listened to. We have been advised to compile a petition, which all parents, residents and school staff will have an opportunity to sign. We will then take this forward with our case to the Joint Committee meeting in the New Year, as the first step in securing improvements.

Following information previously shared regarding expectations of attendance, please can I ask that no holiday requests are made during term time. These will not be authorised and do have a detrimental impact on learning for not only the child missing school, but for other children when the class teacher ensures they spend time catching-up with the child on their return. We do understand that children get sick, but if it is something that can be treated with Calpol via trained first-aiders in the office, please do bring your child into school with a bottle of the relevant medication. If we feel a child is too unwell to be in school, after being sent in, we will always make contact with home.

I wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins  
Headteacher

## Reading at Springfield

Did you know that if every child donated a book of their choice when it was their birthday, most classes would end up with 30 new books for their class? This would give your child a further 29 different books that they could enjoy reading either in class or at home! In line with trying to promote a healthy lifestyle for our children, we would like to encourage each child to bring in one book for their class rather than sweets if it is their birthday. One book can potentially be at a cheaper cost than a tub of 30 sweets. Next week, we have our Scholastic Book Fair, please come along to support the school in raising funds for new books and to find a special gift for your child's class when it is their birthday.



## General Information

**Art Exhibition** – Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this event. If you were unable to attend and would still like to purchase your child's artwork, please send in £8 in cash in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class on the front by no later than Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. These will be sent home with your child as soon as we receive them.



**PTA Christmas Fair** – The PTA will be holding the Christmas Fair on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019 from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. For this the children will be able to come into school on that day in mufti with a bottle donation for the Bottle Tombola. More information will be coming home with your child shortly.

**Children's Birthdays** – A number of parents have raised concerns about the number of sweets being handed out for birthdays. The school wants to encourage children to eat healthily; we also want the children to enjoy reading. To promote both our goals we would request that parents donate a book for the book corner in their child's classroom instead of sweets. We hope that you will support us with this in the future.

## Lead Learner and Super Citizen

Certificates for these will be handed out to the children in assembly next week.

This week's Lead Learners were celebrated today, the focus being 'Going above and beyond':

Sparrow	- Samia	Otter	- Jaden
Nightingale	- Miley	Stoat	- Adhriith
Woodpecker	- Millie-Rose	Buzzard	- Lakshmi
Mole	- Baye	Osprey	- Ruby
Bat	- Sidney	Eagle	- Sarah
		Falcon	- Lydia

This week's Super Citizens were celebrated today, the focus being 'Knowing how to support someone if they are being bullied':

Sparrow	- Jack	Otter	- Anita
Nightingale	- Sam	Stoat	- Megan
Woodpecker	- Matthew	Buzzard	- Grace
Mole	- Elisha	Osprey	- Ruby
Bat	- Lola	Eagle	- Megan T
		Falcon	- Sienna

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

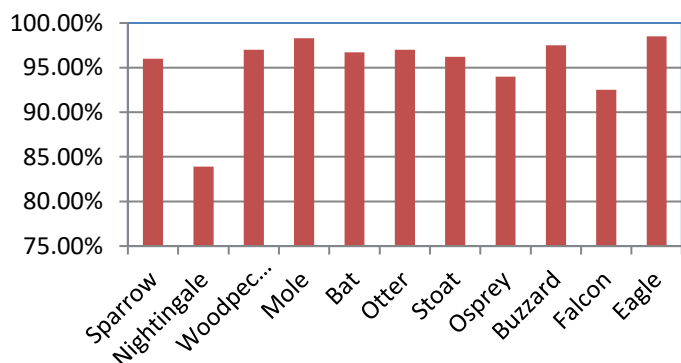
Fox class  
King - James  
Queen - Antonia



Badger class  
King - Ryan  
Queen - Liberty



## Awards



### Attendance -

The winners for week ending 15<sup>th</sup> November are:-

KS1 – Mole Class with 98.3%

KS2 – Eagle Class with 98.5%

**Gugafit Winners** – Bat Class



## Home Learning Stars

Year 1 children have brought in some fabulous home learning linked to their topic, 'Splendid Skies'. Well done Miley, Emily and Sam. Year 4 children are studying Vikings. Baneet wrote a Viking poem and the Rune alphabet and Arjun made a Viking treasure map. Molly made a message in a bottle, as well as instructions on making ice-lollies and a book review. Well done everyone!



## Year 5 trip to the Science Museum

On Wednesday, the children visited the Science Museum and took part in an interactive experience called Wonderlab, as well as exploring other parts of the museum and watching a maths show. They had the opportunity to carry out many practical tasks to learn about magnetism, sound, light, forces and many other scientific based topics. The behaviour was exemplary and supporting staff were proud of the children's conduct throughout the trip. Lots of fun had by all!



## Marvellous Me

MarvellousMe have upgraded their parent app this week. This new version delivers a 30-day News Centre (the number one feature parents have been asking for!), fixes notification bugs and includes other improvements. You may have already seen an email from MarvellousMe however, if you have not already done so, it is essential that you follow the below:

1. Check your device is running the latest operating software.
2. Update the MarvellousMe app via the App Store or Google Play. To do this, type 'MarvellousMe' into the search bar, click on the 'MarvellousMe for Parents' icon and select 'update'. Your phone may have already updated MarvellousMe automatically in which case it will just have an 'open' button.
3. Open the MarvellousMe Parent app then tap 'Settings', then toggle the 'Get device notifications' switch off and back on again. Even if it shows as 'On', you must switch it 'Off' and 'On' once. This step is particularly important to ensure you receive MarvellousMe notifications going forward and benefit from the upgrade.

Please refer to the guide attached or contact MarvellousMe directly through the 'User Guide & Help' section in the app if you need any support.

Thank you for using MarvellousMe, and thank you to the PTA who support in the payment of this app.

