

Springfield Newsletter

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Springfield Primary School - Sunbury-on-Thames

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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

We warmly welcome you and the children back to a new academic year. With some pupils having not been in school since March, seeing all children return has been a delight!

Parents of children in both the Nursery and Reception classes, we are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our school community, as your children begin their staggered starts next week.

In Year 1 this week, children have been exploring their new topic of superheroes, making some very impressive papier-mâché pirate swords. Year 2 have impressed us with their incredible listening skills and Year 4 have been thoughtfully sharing their feelings about returning to school.

In what has been an incredibly positive start to the year, I offer sincere thanks to all parents for your understanding and patience with staggered start and finish times. We appreciate the challenges that these pose for you and hope in time, when restrictions lift, original school hours can resume. Until then, thank-you for being mindful of safe social distancing, leaving the school site and locality swiftly once children have been dropped off or collected, and waiting in the key stage zones at the front of the school, enabling greater distance between families.

In the weekly newsletter, we will continue this year to provide safeguarding guidance for parents. Please find attached to this edition information regarding keeping your child safe online. Our Online Safety Workshop for parents will take place on 5th October at 4.00pm. This will be a virtual meeting and will provide the latest information from sources such as: the NSPCC, Barnardos and CEOPS.

Parents for whom were able to join the Meet the Teacher virtual meetings this week, we hope you found these informative. For those not able to attend, the presentations are on the school website, under phase group tabs.

Over the summer, Miss Deabill had a beautiful, little baby girl. Mother and baby are doing very well, enjoying their first special moments together.

Finally, thank-you to the PTA for the time invested in the New Parent Welcome packs. Whilst we cannot currently hold PTA events under the DfE and Trust guidance, there are ambitious and exciting future plans afoot and we are very much looking forward to the commencement of these.

I wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs C Gibbins
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Monday 7th September
KS1 Roald Dahl Day

Monday 28th September
Virtual Harvest Festival
Assembly

Wednesday 30th September
School photographer

Thursday 1st October
Virtual Parent Forum meeting
9.00am

Monday 5th October
Virtual Parent Internet Safety
Workshop 4.00pm

Tuesday 6th October
Year 3 science workshop

Tuesday 6th October
PTA Annual General Meeting
(full information to follow)

Thursday 8th October
Virtual Reception parent
partnership meeting 5.00-
6.00pm

School Dinners:

Next week will be **Week 2** for
ordering school dinners.

Reading at Springfield



At Springfield Primary School, we would like to achieve a culture of early excellence in reading both in school and at home. Within this section of the newsletter we will put ideas on how you can support your child further at home with reading.

The below link, from the Book Trust suggests some excellent books to read with your children. It suggests books for children of all ages so please watch out for the updates on this link once a month.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/best-new-books/>

General Information

Water Bottles – Please make sure that your child has a water bottle with them in school.

Dates for your Diary – Please find attached the dates for your diary for the autumn term.

School dinners – Please ensure that you have booked your child's meals by no later than lunchtime on Friday of the preceding week. This a reminder that Nursery and Years 3-6 are required to pay for school dinners, unless you are eligible for free school meals. The new cost of the school dinner is £2.40. Children in years R-2 still qualify for the universal free meals and no payment is required.

Clubs/KOOSA Kids – At present, we are unable to run extra-curricular clubs. Should you require wrap-around care, KOOSA Kids will be running the breakfast and after school childcare provision for Years R-6 from Monday 7th September. Please book directly with KOOSA Kids. Please also note their adapted arrangements prior to booking via their website.

Weekly PE Timetable

Pupils will be required to wear full school uniform, with the exception of the one day within the week, set out below, when they will have PE. On this day they will be required to wear their PE kits into school. On all other days, pupils will need to be in full school uniform. Please see the website for full information about school uniform.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nursery (Hedgehogs/Squirrels) Year 2	Year 1 Year 6	Reception Year 3	Year 5	Nursery (Owls/Squirrels) Year 4

For PE days, on colder days the children can also wear a plain black or red hoodie with no logos. They can also wear plain black tracksuit bottoms on cold days.

News from the Pastoral Team

It has been lovely to welcome our children back to school and see their happy faces. Please remember that if you have any concerns about your child's emotional wellbeing, the Pastoral Team are available to provide support. Please contact us via the school office.

