Springfield Newsletter

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Springfield Primary School - Sunbury-on-Thames

A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

The children have settled back into school life incredibly well. A crucial part of this has been to ensure that they have felt safe, happy, and confident. Mrs Standing leads our **well-being curriculum**, which has played a critical role in establishing a culture of support for children in school. Next week we have our wellbeing assemblies linked to afternoon workshops. If you would like more information about the school's wellbeing curriculum and pastoral care offer, please do refer to the website or see Mrs Standing.

As part of the school's work within the community, we are continuing to support the local charity, **Baraka**, an organisation which helps support the development of schools in **Zambia** and **Laos**. Funds raised last year have gone to help buy desks, plaster classrooms and re-case a borehole. On **23rd October**, there will be a **mufti day** to help raise further donations. With parents not able to access the school, we will have buckets at the two entrance gates for children to drop their £1 donations in to as they arrive.



Thank-you to all parents for the generous donations that have been offered as part of the school's **harvest festival**. St Saviour's are always incredibly grateful for the donations made by our parents.

Our annual **parent survey** has been sent out today. We welcome all parents' views on what you feel are strengths of the school, areas that can be improved and new ideas for how we can work together to take Springfield positively forward. Parent survey link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHCjZCbMjmOemR27Ze6tspLhMG9qJgtWp8EzJAJ1N0X90gw/viewform?usp=sf_link_

Thank-you to all parents for whom have been able to attend the **RSE virtual workshops** this week; we hope that you have found the information useful. The presentations are on the website for those not able to attend.

I wish you a restful weekend. Mrs Caroline Gibbins, Headteacher

Dates for your diary Tuesday 6th October Year 3 science workshop

Tuesday 6th October

Virtual PTA Annual General Meeting – 7.00pm-8.00pm

Thursday 8th October

- Virtual Parent Forum meeting – 9.30am
- Virtual Reception phonics meeting – 4.30pm
- Virtual Reception parent partnership meeting 5.00-6.00pm

Monday 12th October PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE

Virtual Parent Internet Safety Workshop 4.00pm

Friday 23rd October Mufti day for Baraka charity

Monday 26th to Friday 30th October Half Term

Monday 2nd November Start of the second half of the Autumn term – all children in school

Monday 9th November Anti-bullying week

School Dinners:

Next week will be **Week 3** for ordering school dinners.

Reading at Springfield

It is important that you are asking your child questions about a book they have read to ensure their understanding. We want to build fluent readers with excellent comprehension skills. Here are some questions you could ask your child whilst you are reading together or after they have read a chapter of their book independently.

- 1. Look at the front cover. What could the book be about?
- 2. Who is the author?
- 3. What is an illustrator? What do they do?
- 4. What does that word mean? Read the words around it to help you figure it out (context).
- 5. How can you read an unfamiliar word? Can you sound talk and then blend?
- 6. Who are the main characters?
- 7. What do you think will happen next?
- 8. How do you think that character feels? Why? How would you feel in that situation?
- 9. Can you predict how the book will end?
- 10. Who is your favourite character? Why?
- 11. Is there a hidden message in the story? What is it?
- 12. Can you retell the story in your own words?
- 13. Do you like how the story ended? Can you think of another way the book could have ended?

General Information

Distancing at start/end of school day – For the safety of all, can we kindly remind parents/carers that when you have dropped off/collected your child can you keep your other children with you while waiting for the next drop off/collection time.

Colder weather – With the cold weather fast approaching can you please make sure your child has a coat.

Home Learning Stars

Once again, the children have produced some amazing home learning this week. Year 2 children treated us to an assortment of home learning from their pick and mix sheets. Khadija made a paper chain, Sam made a spell in a jar and Poppy wrote up a recipe for a spell. Emily, Dominic and Victor created works of art ranging from marble art, Sonic the Hedgehog made from different food items and a decorated clay model of a foot. Jared in Year 6 created an image of the Blitz during WWII. Well done everyone!





Lead Learner and Super Citizen This week's Lead Learners were celebrated today, the focus being 'good sportsmanship': Sparrow - Lenny Stoat - Albie Nightingale - Photizo Otter - Preston Woodpecker - Evelyn Buzzard - William Mole - Luke Osprey - Freddie Bat - Alice - Honey Eagle Falcon - Rex This week's Super Citizens were celebrated today, the focus being 'caring about other children's feelings': Sparrow - Elizabeth Stoat - Bell Nightingale - Maddison Otter - Louie Woodpecker - Cade Buzzard - Monera Mole - Miley Osprey - Freja Bat - Amber Eagle - Harry Falcon - Ruby Our Reception Kings and Queens for this week are: Badger Class: Fox Class: King - Lucas King - Jayden Queen - Tenny Queen - Grace

Awards



Attendance – Our winners of the Attendance Cup for last week are:-KS1 – Woodpecker with 99.3% KS2 – Osprey with 99.3%

TT Rockstars/Numbots – Eagle Class are at the top of this week's leader board. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most accurate answers are Peter, Arthur ad Paige and our 2 top Numbots Stars are Florence and Matthew, Well done!

Reading Stars – Eagle with 22.

Family Links Parent Puzzle

Springfield are please to re-introduce parent puzzle, the topics have been chosen to help support children and their families with different strategies. This is a virtual meeting where you will be given the chance to talk through situations that have been difficult, but could also share your ideas to help others.

The sessions are as follows:

Anxiety

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- Praise and manage criticism
 - 13th October at 4pm Online safety
- Influencing behaviour
- 27th October at 4pm

- 6th October at 4pm

- 10th November at 4pm

Please email the office if you are interested in any of the above sessions, a link will be sent out the morning of each session. Please contact the office for further information.

