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Springfield Primary School - Sunbury-on-Thames

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A note from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

The return to school this week has been marked by a number of 'Wow' curriculum events for the children. The first with launch of the Emotion Potion Wellbeing programme, aiding pupils' understanding of their different feelings. Outdoor learning is a key development priority for the school this year and on the back of the allotment development, we had our first Outdoor Learning Day for this year, with pupils going on a hunt for the Three Bears, solving crime investigations, taking part in courtroom dramas and creating some intricate autumnal artwork. It was a pleasure to see pupils so engaged in their learning, working collectively with such enjoyment; well done to all children and thank-you to Miss Potter for leading the day.

At this time of year, we reflect together on what Remembrance means for our community. Miss Wall, our Art and DT subject leader has led our school Remembrance programme this year, with a focus on creative learning, with children's understanding of this time developed through writing poetry, painting poppies and creating wreaths. We have been taken aback by their work, which has illustrated a very personal response to remembrance, appreciating past and present loved ones. Thank-you Miss Wall for leading this week. Children's work will be displayed at the front of the school this coming week.









Final thanks to our fantastic PTA who have thought in new and very imaginative ways about how to raise funds this year for the school. Last Saturday they raised an impressive £369, hosting the PTA Autumn Event. Thank-you to all parents for supporting this event.









After what has been an incredibly busy week in school, I wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs Caroline Gibbins Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November Virtual Parents' Evenings

Monday 16th November Anti-bullying week Please note new date

Monday 16th November Odd Socks Day for a £1 donation

Friday 20th NovemberINSET Day – no children in school

Thursday 10th DecemberVirtual Parent Forum meeting
– 9.30am

Friday 11th December

- Christmas Jumper Day
- Christmas Lunch (information to follow)
- Flu immunisations (group 1)

Monday 14th **December** Flu immunisations (group 2)

Friday 18th **December** Class Christmas parties

Friday 18th DecemberLast day of term – lunchtime finish, full details of times to follow

Monday 4th January Spring Term starts – all children in school

School Dinners:

Next week will be **Week 1** for ordering school dinners.

Reading at Springfield

As well as listening to your child read, it is hugely beneficial to enjoy books together. Below is a list of 11 laugh out loud children's books to get you and your child laughing together at a book!

https://www.readbrightly.com/funny-books-to-read-aloud-with-your-kids/

We are also delighted to let you know that on 23rd November the Scholtastic Book Fair will be visiting Springfield again. In light of current circumstances, this will run in a COVID-friendly manor with children looking at a brochure of the books available and parents using a cashless ordering system to order books. There will be more details to follow.



General Information

Parents Evening – A reminder that the parents' evenings will be run through the SchoolCloud virtual platform on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November. Please contact the school office if you have had any problems trying to book a slot for your child/children.

Anti-bullying Week – This will now take place during the week of the 16th November. For this, please see the attached poster. Monday the 16th November will be Odd Socks Day and for this we are requesting a donation of £1 per child for the Anti-Bullying Alliance

Financial Support – Surrey County Council

Surrey County Council has sent us the following regarding financial support for those facing hardship and for information for Surrey residents who may be facing financial hardship and the support Surrey-wide pledge to provide.

'Our message during these hard times is clear: if you are struggling or feel that you are unable to make ends meet, Surrey councils are here and continuing to support you and your communities through these unprecedented times. We have a dedicated helpline that residents who are struggling and in need of support can call and someone will be able to get them the help they need. In addition, all the latest information can also be found on our Surrey County Council COVID Financial Support web pages, because we recognise the vital role councils have to play in the present times.'

Community Helpline number: 0300 200 1008 Availability Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm

SMS: 0786 0053 465 for Deaf and hearing impaired residents only (Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm)

Family Links Parent Puzzle

Springfield are pleased 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:

Online safety

- 27th October at 4pm

Influencing behaviour

- 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.



Lead Learner and Super Citizen

This week's Lead Learners were celebrated today, the focus being 'responding to marking in green pen':

- Charlie Sparrow - Ryan Stoat - Summer - Lola Nightingale Otter Woodpecker - Samia Buzzard - Oliver Mole - Zavd Osprev - Freja Bat - Keira Eagle - Lakshmi Falcon - Tilly

This week's Super Citizens were celebrated today, the focus being 'respecting each children's differences':

- Freddie - Marli Sparrow Stoat Nightingale - Florence Otter - Maizv-Ann Woodpecker - Nancy Buzzard - Aiden Mole - Lincoln Osprey - Jai Bat - Ishika Eagle - Nya Falcon - Lois

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

Badger Class: Fox Class:

King - Vlad King - Ethan Queen - Theia Queen - Ruby-Mae

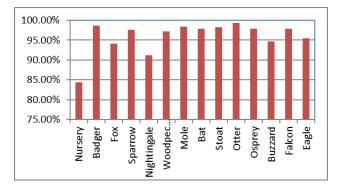


King - Harvey King - Llyle-Ray King - Yuugesh Queen - Scarlett Queen - Fia Queen - Sherlyse



Awards

Attendance





Attendance – Winners of the attendance cup for last week are:-

EYFS & KS1: Badger Class – 98.6%

KS2: Otter Class - 99.3%

TT Rockstars – Bat class are at the top of this week's leader board. Our top 3 TT Rockstars with the most improved in accuracy are Wyndham, Ridley and Isaac

Numbots – Nightingale class are at the top of this week's leader board. Our top 3 Numbots Stars with the most accurate answers are Sam, Louisa and Charlotte. Well done also to Evelyn who completed her Copper level, Luke who completed his Brass level and Lincoln who completed his Iron level. Well done all!

Reading Stars - Falcon class with 83.3%

Oracy Champion – Lucas in Stoat Class for his discussion about Greek mythology in English.

Home Learning Stars

Year 1 children have been exploring the woodlands for their topic, 'The Enchanted Forest'. They have created some fantastic woodland posters. Well done to Noah, Willow, Janvika, Jamie and Maadhav.











Year 2 children have really engaged with their topic, 'Towers, Tunnels & Turrets' and created some truly amazing models of castles and the Eiffel Tower from a variety of resources, as well as some beautiful writing on the topic. Well done to Theo, Poppy, Adya, Ivy, Konstanty, Licoln, Sam, Luke, Prem, Max, Bella and Victor.

























Outdoor Learning Day

Outdoor Classroom Day is a global movement to inspire and celebrate outdoor play and learning. The theme this year was 'Love the Outdoors', to encourage a love of the natural world and to encourage everyone take action to protect it. Lessons learnt outdoors, whether maths, science or language, often stay with us for life. Being outdoors helps children focus, boosts creativity and imagination, and can simply be more fun. The children took part in this movement on Thursday 5th November where they completed a range of activities outdoors including maths, 'Race for a Rainbow', nature walks and many more.















