Springfield Infant School and Nursery Newsletter 12 January 2024



Important Dates

15 Jan Gymnastics Assembly EYFS Book Look

16 Jan Year 2 Children's Concert

18 Jan Year 1&2 Book Look

19 Jan Dolphins Assembly

22 Jan Year 1 & 2 Ice-Skating Trip

26 Jan Maths Morning

29 Jan Open the Book Assembly

1 Feb Science Day

2 Feb Frogs Assembly

8 Feb Children's Reports to Parents

9 Feb PTA Valentines Cakes Sale Last Day of Half Term

19 Feb Return to School

All dates are subject to change

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the Spring Term 2024. I do hope you all had an enjoyable and restful break. On behalf of myself and all the staff at Springfield please can I thank you so much for your kind gifts and cards last term. You are very generous and it was all much appreciated.

We had an exciting day on Monday when we had some snow fall at playtime, it was almost as though it was planned to entertain our children! Seriously though please ensure you send your children to school with suitable outdoor clothes as we continue to go outside in all weathers.

The teachers have just analysed the latest school/class data and I am pleased to say that all children made progress last term. As usual we always identify some children that would benefit from extra support and they will be given the opportunity to work in small groups or 1:1 with an adult.

Lastly, it has been brought to my attention that there seems to be a considerable amount of rubbish left along the footpath between us and St Andrews. I have spoken to West Sussex County Council in the hope that this will be managed. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

I hope you have a super weekend,

Becky Wycherley, Headteacher

Attendance %

Pandas	92%
Turtles	92%
Dolphins	94 %
Tigers	92%
Frogs	99%
Hedgehogs	93%
Attendance Bear	
Awarded to	

Frogs



Out of School Achievements



Hazel Chapman was awarded a certificate for a 5 metre distance swim.

No Nuts!

We are a nut free school and do have children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send your child to school with nuts or products containing nuts.

Chestnut Tree House

A big thank you and well done to all the children and their families who took part in the Father Christmas Training School which raised an amazing £1064 for the Chestnut Tree House Charity.

Book Look

Ducklings and Reception have a book look session on Monday 15th January from 3.00-3.30. Years 1 & 2 have a book look session Thursday 18th January from 3.00-3.30. We hope that many of you can make it to share and celebrate all the amazing work your child has been doing.

Gymnastic Competition

Well done to Daisy, Noah, Leah, Delilah, Nate, Chloe, Izabella, Darren, Josh and Billy who worked hard on learning and performing their routines at the recent gymnastics competition. Mrs Kingston was very proud of her squad and their performance.

School Application

The School Application deadline is **Monday 15th January**. Please submit your application by this time to ensure your best chance of being allocated your first choice of school.

Spare Gloves

We would love to borrow any spare gloves you have at home for our ice skating trip. All children must be wearing gloves to be allowed on the ice. Please label clearly with a name to return them to.

Traffic

Traffic delays will continue with the gas main works on the Broadwater Road (A24). Please allow extra time for your journey. The roadworks are scheduled to run for 24 weeks.

Contact Details

Could we request that all families review their contact details on their My Child at School app and make any updates if necessary.

Lost Property

We accumulate lots of lost property every term. Whilst we try to return it to its owner most lost property is un-named. A huge plea from us to please name all your uniform items so that you can be reunited with them. Any unclaimed items at the end of each half term will be given to charity.

New Business Manager

Following interviews this week we are pleased to report that a new business manager has been appointed. Mr Sam Bunney will be joining us after the Easter holidays. We look forward to working with him.

Junior Governors Report

Our Junior Governors meet with Mrs Wycherley every fortnight to represent their classmates' views and let us know what school is like from a child's perspective. Here's what they have been discussing recently:

- They have been monitoring school behaviour especially lunchtimes to ensure children walk sensibly and quietly to the hall. This has been very positive and a reminder of our school expectations.
- School lunches and which are most popular.
- How to make golden time more exciting and different.
- Resources for the playground
- Books needed for topics

Watches

I am delighted that so many children at Springfield can read the time and therefore wear a watch, however please can I firstly remind you that children participate in many tasks and activities and we cannot ensure that watches will not get damaged during a school day. Secondly, children do find watches a distraction and there is no real need to wear one in school.

Please can I suggest that if your child cannot tell the time that they do not wear a watch in school and if they are able to tell the time that you consider the need in order to protect the watch. As well as keeping it safe especially when they need to be removed for physical activities. Thank you for your understanding.

<u>School</u> Uniform

We have a large selection of second hand uniform in a range of sizes for sale in school, please ask at the office.

Please can we ask that you label all of your child's uniform and belongings.

Parking

We are receiving a number of complaints from our neighbours about parents parking over driveways and on double yellow lines. Please avoid parking this way for the safety of all children and out of respect for our neighbours.

Amazon Wishlist

If you would like to help Springfield with any resources for the children, we do have an amazon wish list.

<u>https://</u> <u>www.amazon.co.uk/hz/</u> <u>wishlist/</u>

MATHS MORNING- Friday 26th January SCIENCE DAY- Thursday 1st February

Our Maths and Science focus will be investigations and problem solving and encouraging children to ask questions as well as recognising that there may be different ways of answering!

The whole school will be making bird feeders, so please could you start collecting small plastic bottles and plastic milk containers.

Springfield Nursery

Ages 3-5

Open during school hours Breakfast club available from 8am Highly qualified, experienced and caring staff Fantastic outdoor areas and vibrant classrooms Safe and secure environment with CCTV Freshly prepared hot lunches available 30 hours free childcare available





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Check out what parents say about us on daynurseries.co.uk!

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