



**Week 12**  
**24 Nov 2022**

### Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 14 November was Y5 Rhinos with 96.5%.

### Christmas Performances

The booking for the Christmas performances will open on Saturday 26 November at <https://springfieldpri.schoolcloud.co.uk/> Tickets must be prebooked and can only be booked online.

The bookings open at staggered times so the system does not get overloaded:

9am	Y6	9.30	EYFS, Y1& Y2
10am	Y3 & Y4	10.30	Y5

The school office will not initially be able to book tickets for you.



### Reporting absence

You must report your child's absence every day when they are off ill.

On a number of occasions parents phone in to let us know that their child will be absent due to colds and coughs. Below is some guidance from the NHS website regarding childhood illness. Can we also please remind you that you must give a reason for your child being absent. We cannot accept that they are just poorly or unwell as this has to be recorded on our system. If we are not provided with a reason, the absence may be recorded as unauthorised and on occasion we may ask for medical evidence for illness. Children should be attending school if they have a minor cough or common cold but if they have a fever keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly. For further information please see this link: [www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/](http://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/)

### Food Bank

Thank you to everyone who brought in donations for our Harvest Appeal for the Chelmsford Food Bank. We collected 158kg of goods which will all go to help people in this area.

### Children in Need

At our non uniform day last Friday, we raised £343.90 which has all been paid to Children in Need. Thank you to everyone who donated.

### EYFS Area

Our EYFS outside learning area is officially open and this week three PTA members visited to present a cheque towards the cost of the resurfacing and now equipment. A big thank you goes to our PTA members for raising the money and also to parents who have donated and supported PTA events throughout the year.

### Clubs

The booking for clubs starting in September opens on Sunday 27 Nov. Please see [www.clubbly.co.uk](http://www.clubbly.co.uk) to book a space on any club. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please let the office or Mrs Pick know which club you would like asap so we can issue a voucher. Spaces are booked on a first come first served basis.

### Chelmsford City FC

Families have been invited to their match on 3 December at a much reduced price of £2 per adult with children free. Tickets must be



### Christmas Lunch

Just a reminder that your child's Christmas lunch must be pre ordered. You should also let us know if they are having a packed lunch instead.

prebooked so please return the slip with the money to the school office if you would like to go. The match will now take place at 12.30.

### Dinner Menu w/b 28 November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jacket potato Cheese, tuna, baked beans <b>Dairy &amp; fish</b>	Spaghetti Bolognese <b>Gluten</b>	Roast Pork <b>Pork</b>	Chicken burger with BBQ sauce <b>Gluten &amp; may contain sesame</b>	Fish fillet <b>Fish &amp; gluten</b>
Salad	Vegetable Lasagne <b>Dairy &amp; Gluten</b>  Garlic bread & sweetcorn <b>Gluten</b> -----OR----- Jacket potato with Cheese and salad <b>Dairy</b>	Roasted vegetable slice <b>Gluten</b>  Roast potatoes Seasonal vegetables	Vegan Meatball wrap <b>Gluten</b>  Wedges Vegetable sticks	Omelette <b>Egg &amp; dairy</b>  Chipped potatoes Baked beans Peas
Vanilla sprinkle cake <b>Gluten &amp; egg</b>	Homemade Cookie <b>Gluten</b>	Fruit jelly with ice cream <b>Dairy</b> <b>May contain nuts</b>	Fresh fruit platter	Cherry & sultana rock cakes <b>Gluten &amp; egg</b>
Drinking water, bread, yoghurt and milk available on request				

### PTA

We were thrilled to visit the new EYFS area on Tuesday and hear about how the children have been using it. The staff have lots of plans for the space once the weather improves. Jo, Shaun, and Katie presented a cheque on behalf of the PTA for £15,000. Thanks to your help and support, we can make things like this happen. We are now putting our fundraising efforts into revamping the junior school play area.

### **Tuck Shop Friday and Christmas clothing sale TOMORROW**

There are some fantastic Christmas jumper bargains to be had outside school tomorrow afternoon alongside our usual tuck shop. Sweets, chocolate and donuts 50p. Cash and card payments available.

### **Christmas cards**

To ensure you receive your cards before Christmas please place your order by Friday 9 December. You can view these at [www.mychildsart.co.uk](http://www.mychildsart.co.uk) Our user name is 'Springfield' and the password is KwgphJQw

### **Wreath making evening**

Our wreath making evening is fast approaching. We will be supplying the materials and showing you how to make it, alongside mulled wine, prosecco, and nibbles. It takes place on Wednesday 7 December at 7pm at the school. Places are £25 per person. Please email [springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com) to book your place or for more information.

### **Friday 9 Non uniform - bottles & chocolate donation**

Please bring bottles of anything! (water, wine, sauce, lemonade, whisky etc) OR chocolate donations (bars, boxes etc) in exchange for non uniform. Please bring items into school in the morning. We will have collection boxes at the gate. Items must be unused and unopened, and please check that they are in date.

### **Also Friday 9 - Christmas Gift sale**

Our gift sale gives an opportunity for the children to choose a gift for their loved ones. The children will need to bring their money into school in the morning, and will visit our 'shop' with their class. We have a nice selection of things for adults and siblings. Gifts cost £2 each and come wrapped. Correct change is helpful (if possible) for the children, so there is no confusion about how many gifts they can choose.

## Diary Dates

<b>Autumn 2022</b>		
Sat 26 Nov	Booking opens for Christmas performances	am
Sun 27 Nov	Booking opens for clubs starting in January	am
Weds 7 Dec	Y6 Christmas Concert for parents PTA Christmas wreath making for adults - ticketed event	2pm & 6pm 7-9pm
Thurs 8 Dec	Y3&4 Carol Concert for parents	2pm & 6pm
Fri 9 Dec	PTA non-uniform day - bring a bottle or chocolates Christmas gift sale - children will have a chance to buy a gift all £2 each	
Mon 12 Dec	Y4 children to Christ Church for The Snowman	1pm
Tues 13 Dec	Infant Christmas nativity for parents	10am & 2pm
Weds 14 Dec	PTA Panto in school - Sleeping Beauty	
Thurs 15 Dec	Christmas lunch - non uniform, wear something Christmassy	
Fri 16 Dec	Phonics session for EYFS & Y1 parents PTA Christmas tuck shop & festive stalls	9am 3.10
Mon 19 Dec	Y5 Christmas play for parents	2pm & 6pm
Tues 20 Dec	Break up for Christmas holidays	3.10
<b>Spring 2023</b>		
Thurs 5 Jan	Return to school after Christmas break	
Fri 6 Jan	Colchester Castle Y3	9-3pm
Mon 16 Jan	Y5 space dance session	
Tues 17 Jan	Y1 Fairy Tales & Y4 Frozen dance sessions	
Weds 18 Jan	Y3 Romans dance sessions	
Fri 27 Jan	EYFS & Y5 Road Safety sessions PTA tuck shop	3.10pm
Fri 3 Feb	EYFS & Y5 Road Safety sessions PTA Quiz night for adults	7pm
Tues 7 Feb	Y4 Superstar Sports	
Fri 10 Feb	Y5 Road Safety session	
13-17 Feb	Half term	
Mon 20 Feb	Inset day - school closed to children	
Tues 21 Feb	Y5 Roots to Food workshops	
Fri 24 Feb	Tuck shop	3.10pm
	World Book Day - come as a book character / non-uniform	
Weds 15 Mar	PTA Mothers' day gift sale. All gifts £2 each	
Fri 17 Mar	Red Nose Day - non uniform / wear red £1	
W/C 20 Mar	PTA Smarties challenge - more info to follow.	
Tues 28 Mar	The Two Johns Online Safety for parents	6pm
Fri 31 Mar	Easter tuck shop & games Break up for Easter holidays	3.10
<b>Summer 2023</b>		
Mon 17 Apr	Back to school	8.40
Thurs 4 May	Possible Inset Day if needed for an election	
Fri 19 May	PTA EYFS & KS1 fun afternoon (during school time)	
Fri 26 May	Charity event led by children in Y6 Tuck shop PTA disco for Y3,4&5	3.10 5pm-6.30
29 May - 2 June	Half term	

Weds 7 June	Y2 Mini Games	
7-9 June	Y6 Residential at Essex Outdoors Mersea	
Weds 14 June	PTA Fathers' Day/someone special gift sale. All gifts £2 each	
Fri 16 June	Sports day EYFS-Y2 - wear house colour t shirt with PE kit Sports day Y3-Y6 - wear house colour t shirt with PE kit	1.30-3pm 9.30-12
Fri 30 June	PTA Sponsored event – House competition (during school hours) Tuck shop	3.10
Thurs 13 July	Dance afternoon on the field for parents - weather dependent	2pm
Fri 14 July	PTA Tuck shop & summer raffle	3.10
Tues 18 July	Y6 performance for parents	2pm & 6pm
Thurs 20 July	Y6 Leaver's assembly for Y6 parents and families Break up for summer holidays	10am <b>1.30</b>
Fri 21 July	Inset Day - school closed to children	

All dates subject to change

### **PE Days**

EYFS	Thurs & Fri	Y5 Elephants	Mon & Weds
Y1	Mon & Weds	Y5 Hippos	Mon & Weds
Y2	Mon & Weds	Y5 Rhinos	Tues & Thurs
Y3	Mon & Fri	Y6 Panthers & Tigers	Weds & Fri
Y4	Tues & Thurs	Y6 Lions	Tues & Thurs