



Week 2
27 Apr 2023

Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 17 April was Y5 Rhinos with 98.3%

***** EYFS & Y1 Reading Breakfast tomorrow 8.15 *****

Tuesday 2 May - Strike Action

As you have probably heard on the news, there are national teacher strikes due to an ongoing dispute between the National Education Union and the government about teacher pay and conditions with the next day planned for Tuesday 2 May.

The following classes are **closed** to children on Tuesday 2 May:

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| EYFS Squirrels | EYFS Hedgehogs | |
| Y1 Dolphins | | |
| Y3 Seals | Y3 Turtles | |
| Y4 Polar Bears | | |
| Y5 Rhinos | Y5 Elephants | Y5 Hippos |
| Y6 Tigers | Y6 Panthers | Y6 Lions |

Y1 Sharks
Y2 Barn Owls
Y2 Badgers
Y4 Penguins
ARE ALL OPEN

The other classes remain open and those children are expected to come to school.

I understand this will be an inconvenience to parents but I hope you will join me in supporting a teacher's right to industrial action.

Word Millionaires

Laura in Y6 & Nashita in Y4 are now word millionaires and Drisha in Y5 has read two million words. Congratulations to them all.



Spelling Bee

As always the annual House 'Spelling Bee' was fiercely contested and through two rounds we found the best three spellers in each year group who were presented with their certificates in assembly. All the children enjoyed the competition and the assembly style year finals were a fantastic event! Thanks to all our spellers but a special shout out goes to Zakariyyaa as the best speller in KS1 and Neil as the best speller in KS2 and the whole school. What an achievement!



Mr Lamb

Omegle Concerns

If your child has talked about or accessed a site called Omegle, please have a look at what the Two Johns have said about it on their Twitter account or website or have a look at www.security.org/digital-safety/is-omegle-safe/ It is a very worrying site that no child should ever have access to.

Eid Lunch

On Monday the children enjoyed a special lunch with decorations to celebrate Eid. We have also received some great photos of our families celebrating at home which were lovely to see.







Netball

Our netball team have been in action again and played against Bishops. It was a closely fought match, 5-5 at half time and Bishops narrowly beat us 10-8 overall. Well done again to our netball team. A special mention to Kian who stepped in at the last minute when another player was injured.

Dinner Menu w/b 1 May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BANK HOLIDAY	Sticky sausages Wheat & soya	 Roast Royal lunch Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding & stuffing Wheat, egg, gluten & dairy	INSET DAY CLOSED	Fish fillet Fish
	~~~~OR~~~~ Sticky Quorn sausages <b>Wheat &amp; dairy</b>	~~~~OR~~~~ Coronation vegetable loaf <b>Dairy, egg &amp; gluten</b>		~~~~OR~~~~ Quorn dippers <b>Gluten</b>
	~~~~WITH~~~~ Mashed potato Green beans	~~~~WITH~~~~ Roast potatoes Seasonal veg		~~~~WITH~~~~ Chipped potatoes Garden peas
	Fresh fruit platter	~~~~WITH~~~~ Celebration cupcake Wheat & egg		Homemade biscuit Wheat
				
Drinking water, bread, yoghurt and milk available on request				

PTA

The PTA Smarties Challenge

Thank you very much to everyone that returned donations in your Smarties tubes. All the money raised will go back into the school. We are currently fundraising to revamp the junior playground. Last year we were able to donate fifteen thousand pounds to help replace the safety surface and play equipment in the early years outside area. This would have been impossible to achieve without your support and generosity, so we really do appreciate every donation made. We will be announcing which class has raised the most money to the children next week.

Adventure Island, Southend Tickets

We are selling ride tickets for £18 each which is a great saving on the 'on the door' price. Please email springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com or message us on our Facebook page to arrange purchase and collection. Please see their website for opening times and ride information.

Diary Dates

Summer 2023		
Fri 28 Apr	EYFS & Y1 Reading breakfast Y5 Bikeability	
Mon 1 May	Bank Holiday	
Tues 2 May	Teacher strike - many classes are closed - see above	
Thurs 4 May	Inset Day for elections - school closed to children	
Mon 8 May	School closed - bank holiday for Coronation	
Tues 9 May	KS2 SATs week	
Fri 19 May	PTA EYFS & KS1 fun afternoon (during school time)	
Mon 22 May	Y6 Dance sessions	
Tues 23 May	Y2 Space dance sessions EYFS dance sessions	
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	
Tues 6 June	Y1 Wilderness Foundation trip	
Weds 7 June	Y2 Mini Games	
7-9 June	Y6 Residential at Essex Outdoors Mersea	
Fri 9 June	Ju-jitsu taster sessions for Y3 & Y4	
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
Tues 20 June	Class photos	
Weds 21 June	Y6 Crucial Crew	12.30
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
Sat 15 July	The Wilderness Foundation Y6 leavers' event PTA leavers' disco at the school	9.45-2pm 7-9pm
Mon 17 July	Y5 to Wat Tyler Centre	
Tues 18 July	Y6 performance for parents	2pm & 6pm
Weds 19 July	Y6 Nerf activity day	
Thurs 20 July	Y6 Leaver's assembly for Y6 parents and families Break up for summer holidays	10am 1.30
Fri 21 July	Inset Day - school closed to children	

All dates subject to change

Our Inset Days have been confirmed for the next academic year as:

Monday 4 Sept 2023

Tuesday 5 Sept 2023

Monday 26 Feb 2024

Thursday 2 May 2024 - tbc in case of elections

Monday 1 July 2024

PE Days this term

The days children need to come to school wearing PE kit are:

EYFS Weds & Thurs

Y5 Elephants Mon & Weds

Y1 Mon & Fri
Y2 Weds & Fri
Y3 Seals Thurs & Fri
Y3 Turtles Tues & Fri
Y4 Tues + swimming

Y5 Hippos Mon & Weds
Y5 Rhinos Tues & Weds
Y6 Lions Tues & Fri
Y6 Tigers Weds & Fri
Y6 Panthers Weds & Thurs