



**Week**  
**12 Oct 2023**

### Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 2 October was Y4 Polar Bears with 99%.

### Roof Works

The work is finally finished! After all the upheaval of last term and in the summer, the works are now complete and the final rooms have been handed back to us. We still have a lot of furniture and resources to move around but it feels great to finally have our school back. The temporary classroom on the playground is being moved at half term and a small number of areas in the infant end of the school will also be reinforced just as a precaution during the holiday.



### Coffee Morning

Please join Mrs Pick and Mrs Esser for an informal coffee morning after drop off on Tuesday 17 October. We will be talking about our new Oracy project and our Y6 Ambassadors will be on hand if any parents would like a tour of the school now all our rooms are fully open.

### Parents' Evenings

Bookings for Parents' Evening appointments open at 6pm this evening. Parents are able to book appointments on the ScoPay App. Office staff are not able to book any appointments but they can help with the app if you need it.

### Sport

Following our successful sporting achievements last year, our Y4 and Y6 tag rugby teams were in action this week for the first time.

Our Y2 tennis team finished 4th in the first ever SMASH festival which they really enjoyed.



### Consent Forms

The new consent forms have now been sent out to parents. The form includes consent for school visits, food tasting, PG films, photos, marketing, press and social media. If you do not complete these it will be taken as NO consent given which will mean children do not take part in food tasting or individual or class photos etc - we do not have time to phone parents to clarify each time. Please complete the form so your child does not miss out.



### Christmas Craft Club - Year 5 and 6

Thursday after school from 9 November for six weeks. There are still places available at this club, but it is limited in numbers. Places can be booked through the SCOPAY app and cost £24.00.

### BBC Teach - 500 word story competition

The UK's most successful writing competition run by the BBC has returned! Can you write a 500 word story? The competition is open to any child between 5-11 year-olds of any writing ability. Find out more about the competition and how to submit your child's entry by clicking on the following link: [500 Words - BBC Teach](#)

Closing date: Friday 10 November. If you decide to enter, please bring a copy of your story in to school as we'd love to read it!



## Harvest - Thursday 19 October

We will once again be supporting the Chelmsford Food Bank for our Harvest collection. Any donations of tinned or dried goods will be very welcome. Please send your donations in to school. Thank you for all the items already brought into school.

## Essex Fire Museum - Halloween open days 2023 (October half term)



We have two Halloween open days at the Essex Fire Museum on Tuesday 24 October and Sunday 29 October. These are free events. There will be opportunities for families to get involved in history trails around the museum, spot hazards in our fire safety room, partake in craft activities and a sit on our fire engines. If people are brave enough they can also venture into our haunted house.

The museum is free entry but visits are by appointment only we are on the site of an operational fire station.

If you are interested email us at: [museum@essex-fire.gov.uk](mailto:museum@essex-fire.gov.uk) and tell us the number in of people and the time 10.30am to 4pm. This is because we have to keep the station informed of numbers throughout the day. Suggested last admissions are 2.30pm.

## Dinner Menu w/b 16 October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni cheese Wheat & dairy	Sticky sausages Wheat & soya	Roast chicken & Yorkshire pudding Wheat, egg & dairy	Chicken fajitas Gluten	Fish fillet Fish
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Jacket potato with cheese Dairy	Sticky Quorn sausages Wheat & soya	Golden vegetable loaf Dairy, egg & gluten	Quorn dippers with sweet & sour sauce Soya & wheat	Cheese, tomato and onion tart Wheat & dairy
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Crusty bread Wheat & may contain sesame Salad	Mashed potato Green beans	Roast potatoes Seasonal veg	Vegetable rice Sweetcorn	Chipped potatoes Garden peas
Homemade biscuit Wheat	Fresh fruit platter	Angel delight Dairy	Scone with jam & cream Wheat & dairy	Selection of desserts
Drinking water, bread, yoghurt and milk available on request				

## PTA News

### Wanted!

Donations of Christmas jumpers/ Christmas clothing and any unwanted and unused gifts for a tombola. Please put these in the donations box outside of the office.

If any local companies would like to kindly offer any prizes for the Christmas Raffle that would be a great help in raising funds. Please e-mail [springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com) for more information

For those new to the school or who haven't found our Facebook page we are Springfield PTA – follow us for regular updates and reminders of events coming up.

### Adventure Island Tickets

With half term fast approaching just a reminder that we are selling Adventure Island ride tickets for £18 each which is a great saving on the 'on the door' price. There is a Fright Fantastic event on over the half term with lots of spooky surprises! Please email [springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com) or message us on our Facebook page to arrange payment and collection. We are grateful for any tags on local Facebook pages if anyone is requesting discounted tickets.

**Diary Dates**

Dates changed or added this week in red.

<b>Autumn 2023</b>		
Tues 17 Oct	Parent Coffee Morning	8.45
Thurs 19 Oct	Phonics breakfast for Y1 parents EYFS Turnip feast for parents	8.15 1.45
Fri 20 Oct	Rock Stars Day - non uniform / come dressed as a rock star PTA tuck shop	3.10
Mon 23 Oct	Half term	
Weds 1 Nov	Parents' Evening	5pm-7.30
Thurs 2 Nov	Parents' Evening	3.45-5.45
Fri 3 Nov	Firework themed tuck shop	
Fri 10 Nov	PTA Quiz - parents only, email PTA team to register your team	6.30
Tues 14 Nov	Y3&4 Roots to Food	
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need - non uniform and donate £1	
Fri 24 Nov	Police workshops for all year groups PTA Tuck shop & preloved Christmas jumper sale	3.10
Fri 1 Dec	House assemblies - non uniform but wear house colours	
Wed 6 Dec	Wreath making evening. Ticketed event	7-10pm
Fri 8 Dec	PTA non uniform day, suggested donation of £1	
Mon 11 Dec	Y3&4 Carol concert for parents	2pm & 6pm
Tues 12 Dec	EYFS & KS1 Nativity for parents	10am & 2pm
Weds 13 Dec	Panto - Cinderella Family afternoon with Father Christmas - ticketed event	
Thurs 14 Dec	PTA gift sales - all gifts £2.50 cash only Christmas dinner - non uniform, wear something festive	
Fri 15 Dec	PTA gift sales - all gifts £2.50 cash only PTA Christmas tuck shop	3.10
Mon 18 Dec	Y5 Christmas play for parents	2pm 6pm
Tues 19 Dec	Rock band concert for parents of children in rock bands PTA tuck shop & raffle	9.30
Weds 20 Dec	Break up	3.10
<b>Spring 2024</b>		
Thurs 4 Jan	School starts	8.40
Tues 9 Jan	Y3 & Y5 dance sessions	
Weds 10 Jan	Y1&Y4 dance sessions	
Fri 26 Jan	Tuck shop	
Tues 30 Jan	Junior choir at Young Voices at the O2	
Tues 6 Feb	Y4 Superstar sports	12.30-14.45
Fri 16 Feb	Tuck shop	
Mon 19 Feb	Half term	
Mon 26 Feb	Inset - school closed to children	
Weds 28 Feb	Parents' Evening	3.45-5.45
Thurs 29 Feb	Parents' Evening	5pm-7.30
Thurs 7 Mar	World Book Day - non uniform / dress as book character	
Fri 15 Mar	Red Nose day - non uniform and donate £1	
Tues 19 Mar	The Two Johns - important session for parents	6pm
Thurs 28 Mar	Break up PTA Easter tuck shop	3.10
<b>Summer 2024</b>		

Mon 15 Apr	School starts	8.40
Thurs 18 Apr	Y4&Y5 Ultimate Scooters	
Fri 19 Apr	Y4&Y5 Ultimate Scooters	
Fri 26 Apr	Tuck shop	
Thurs 2 May	Provision Inset day - closed for voting TBC	
Fri 3 May	EYFS & Y5 Road safety sessions	
Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday	
Thurs 16 May	PTA fun afternoon for EYFS, Y1&2	
Fri 17 May	EYFS & Y5 Road safety sessions	
Mon 20 May	Y6 dance sessions	
Thurs 23 May	PTA disco for Y3,4,5	tbc
Fri 24 May	PTA Tuck shop	3.10
Tues 21 May	EYFS & Y2 dance sessions	
Fri 24 May	Tuck shop	
Mon 27 May	Half term	
Tues 4 June	Y5 First aid sessions	
Thurs 6 June	Y2 Mini Games	9.30-11.45
12 - 14 June	Y6 Residential	
Thurs 20 June	Sports Day	9.30 KS2 1.30 EYFS & KS1
Thurs 12 July	Dance Afternoon for parents	2pm
Thurs 27 June	Tuck shop	
July	PTA Year 6 leavers party event -TBC	
Mon 1 July	Inset - school closed to children	
Thurs 18 July	Y6 Play for parents at Boswells Theatre	6pm
Fri 19 July	PTA sponsored colour run	
Tues 23 July	Children break up at <b>1.30</b>	<b>1.30</b>

*All dates subject to change*

### **PE Days**

EYFS - Fri

Y1 - Mon & Weds

Y2 - Thurs & Fri

Y3 - Mon & Fri

Y4 - Mon & Weds

Y5 - Tues & Weds

Y6 Lions / Leopards - Tues & Thurs

Y6 Tigers - Thurs & Fri



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## Jonah and the Whale

Doing what God wants us to do.

**Wednesday 25th October**

**2pm to 4pm**

*Fun, play, worship and refreshments*

Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult

Register at [infostaugustines@gmail.com](mailto:infostaugustines@gmail.com)

Or Church Mobile on 07935557668

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