



Week 9
16 Nov
2023

Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 6 November was Y2 Badgers with 99.3%.

***** Children in Need - non uniform day tomorrow £1 *****



Diwali

The children enjoyed a great Diwali themed lunch on Tuesday and also took part in Diwali workshops led by Mrs Nair one of our teaching assistants.

Y3&4 children also took part in Roots to Food cooking sessions where they made and tasted an amazing Rogan Josh. There were great smells wafting round the school all day.



Visit

To start our work leading up to Christmas, Year 2 had a visit from Reverend Caroline. She explained how Christians prepare for Christmas. The children enjoyed dressing up and taking part in role-play about the journey to Bethlehem.

Book Fair (23 - 28 November)

Come and choose some books for Christmas at the pop up books store coming to Springfield in a few weeks. You'll be able to browse over 200 of the books at amazing prices. Plus for every book bought, you help to earn free books for our school. Take a look at the books that will be available here: [Book Fair Parents Hub - Scholastic Book Fairs](#)

We will be set up after school on the above dates, in the left hand demountable next to Barn Owls. It is a cashless event but all payments can be made online at the time of purchase using your phone.

House Colour Day

Our first house colour day will be Friday 1 December. Children are invited to wear non-uniform in their house colours:

Attenborough **Farah** **Malala** **Toone**

The house captains will be leading their first house assemblies.

Clubs

Booking for Clubs in January will be open soon - keep an eye on the newsletter for the opening date.

Football Match

Our girls football team opened the season with a very entertaining game v Barnes Farm. The girls played some great football but sadly lost 2-0. Player of the match was our captain Molly.



Great Achievement

We are all really proud of Poppy in Y5 who received a Highly Commended Award in the Child of Courage category. She had a fantastic evening at the awards ceremony and got to meet some amazing people. Well done Poppy.



Christmas Lunch - FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN

This year's Christmas lunch will be on Thursday 14 December. The booking can be made through Scopay under trips & events. Please complete the form to preorder your child's meal. If they don't want a Christmas dinner you can select they will bring a packed lunch from home. Orders must be made by Friday 1 December. If you do not order a Christmas dinner we will assume your child is bringing a packed lunch from home and they do not want to have a free Christmas dinner.

Dinner Menu w/b 20 November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pepperoni pizza Pork, gluten, dairy, & soya	Hunter's chicken Dairy & gluten Contains pork	Roast chicken & Yorkshire pudding Wheat, dairy & egg	Pasta beef Bolognaise Gluten	Fish fillet Fish & gluten
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Margherita pizza Gluten, dairy & soya	Mexican style chilli Egg	Quorn toad in the hole fillet Wheat, dairy & egg	Vegetarian meatballs in tomato sauce <b>Soya</b>	Cheese & onion roll Gluten & dairy
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Salad Coleslaw Egg	Whole grain & white rice Broccoli	Roast potatoes Seasonal vegetables	Sweetcorn Garlic bread Wheat, may contain milk & soya	Chips, peas
Yoghurt Dairy	Fruit pots with cream Dairy	Oat cookie Gluten	Sprinkle cake Gluten & egg	Fresh fruit platter

PTA News

Quiz night

Thank you to those who joined us for the quiz night on Friday - we had a great turn out and a very competitive quiz. The night raised £370. A big thanks to Mr Wraight for being a brilliant quiz master and leading such a fantastic event.

Wreath Making - Wednesday 6 December

Tickets cost £25.00 and includes everything needed to make a wreath, and refreshments. Please email springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com to book a space.

Afternoon with Santa - Wednesday 13 December

Included in the ticket is crafts, activities, cookie decorating, a visit with Santa and a present for the children. The price is £7 per child and can be booked on: Payment details to the PTA are on the booking form. We have 3 slots 2-3pm, 3.15-4.15, 4.30-5.30 please let us know your preferred time slot. Spaces are limited so please book early.

Christmas Gift Sales Thursday 14 December & Friday 15 December

Santa's elves at the PTA have been busy getting a wonderful range of gifts ready for the children to purchase for their families. The gifts will be £2.50 each and they will pay as they buy the gifts, so cash only please and the correct money.

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 email springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com for more information.

Diary Dates*Dates changed or added this week in red.*

Autumn 2023		
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need - non uniform and donate £1	
23 - 28 Nov	Book Fair after school in the demountable (card/phone payment only)	
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	PTA 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	EYFS Christmas craft stay & play for EYFS parents/grandparents/carers PTA gift sales - all gifts £2.50 cash only PTA tuck shop	1.45pm 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
Spring 2024		
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
Summer 2024		
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	
Sat 20 July	PTA Year 6 leavers party events	TBC
Tues 23 July	Children break up at 1.30	1.30

All dates subject to change

PE days

EYFS - Fri

Y1 - Mon & Weds

Y2 - Thurs & Fri

Y3 - Mon & Weds

Y4 - Mon & Weds

Y5 - Tues & Fri

Y6 Tigers - Thurs & Fri

Y6 Lions / Leopards - Tues & Thurs



Mr R Catchpole BA Hons
Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone & Recorder Tuition

Would your child like to learn a woodwind instrument?

Experienced professional music tutor offers individual tuition at Springfield Primary School.

Lessons from £11 per week. (Instruments can be hired on a termly basis.)

Please email for more details: catchpole@postmaster.co.uk

Christmas Hamper Project

Beaulieu Community Centre are collecting donations for Christmas Hampers to those most in need.

If you would like to donate a gift please bring it along to **Beaulieu Community Centre** between now and **Saturday 18th December**

Food Gifts
Mince pies
Chocolates
Selection boxes
Christmas Pudding
Christmas Cake
Savoury Crochets
Tinned fruit & veg
Long-life custard
Biscuits
Tea bags
Jam or Marmalade

Gift Items
New gifts (unwrapped)
Suitable for Children
Aged between 0-16 yrs
Toys
Games
Puzzles
Books
Colouring Pencils
Gift Vouchers
Writing Paper

NHS
Essex Partnership University
NHS Foundation Trust

FLU VACCINE CATCH UP CLINICS

Has your child missed their school vaccinations?

We are running catch up clinics in mid Essex for flu.

Your nearest catch up clinics this winter:

- Chelmsford:**
24 October, 4 November & 22 December
- Witham:**
27 October & 9 December
- South Woodham Ferrers:**
25 October, 25 November & 13 January

It's easy to catch up.
Book your nearest clinic NOW on 0300 790 0597 or for more information on missed vaccinations.