



**Week 2**  
**18 Jan 2024**

### Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 8 January was EYFS Hedgehogs with 96.2%

### Vending Machine

This week our brand new book vending machine arrived. The PTA kindly funded the purchase which is already bringing lots of excitement to school. The Bookworm Tombola winners each half term will be presented with a gold coin which will allow them to purchase a book from the vending machine. We will also be giving out gold coins on a weekly basis to children who demonstrate commitment to reading at home or in school.

A big THANK YOU to the PTA from all of the children 😊



### Dancing



Many of our children were treated to dance session last week linked to their ongoing work. Y1 learnt dances based on fairy tales and Y3 experienced Roman dances. Y4 dances were on an icy theme and Y5 on a space and planets theme. Lorraine our dance teacher has been visiting Springfield for a number of years and the children really enjoy the sessions.

### Word Millionaires

Congratulations to Oscar and Aryav, our latest Word Millionaires. Very well done.

### World Read Aloud Day - Weds 7 Feb

This year we are celebrating World Read Aloud Day. The day is dedicated not just to reading but to the art and practice of reading aloud. Children are encouraged to bring a copy of their favourite book, poem or magazine to school to share.

### Athletics

On Monday, year 6 children demonstrated teamwork and resilience at the annual Sports Hall Athletics Competition at Melbourne Stadium. Children from nine local schools competed in relay races, obstacle courses and field events including triple jump, speed bounce and chest push. It was an action-packed afternoon which saw great success for Springfield, notably in relay events which our girls team won and our boys came in second and we ended the day in third place - well done to you all.



*Mrs Youngs*



### Creative Writing

On Tuesday, a group of year 5 and 6 went to St Cedds, where they spent the day engaging in a Creative Writing Workshop. They met the author Seth Burkett, who guided them through the process of writing characters, a setting and finally a story. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and created some incredible pieces of writing.

*Mr Corder*

## Absence

We have an absence line when you call the school. You can leave a message with your child's name, class and reason for absence. Please make sure you report your child's absence to school either by phone or email before the start of the school day. **You must report your child's absence everyday if they are absent from school.**

## Dinner Menu w/b 22 January 2024

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 Bolognese Gluten	Fish fillet Fish & gluten
~~~OR~~~ Margherita pizza Gluten, dairy & soya	~~~OR~~~ Mexican style chilli Egg	~~~OR~~~ Quorn toad in the hole fillet Wheat, dairy & egg	~~~OR~~~ Vegetarian meatballs in tomato sauce Soya	~~~OR~~~ Cheese & onion roll Gluten & dairy
~~~WITH~~~ Salad Coleslaw Egg	~~~WITH~~~ Whole grain & white rice Broccoli	~~~WITH~~~ Roast potatoes Seasonal vegetables	~~~WITH~~~ Sweetcorn Garlic bread Wheat, may contain milk & soya	~~~WITH~~~ Chips, peas
Yoghurt Dairy	Fruit pots with cream Dairy	Oat cookie Gluten	Sprinkle cake Gluten & egg	Fresh fruit platter

## PTA

### Your School Lottery

One really great way to contribute to fund raising, by doing very little is to sign up to 'Your School Lottery'. Tickets cost £1 a week, and there is a draw every Saturday. A Springfield Primary School supporter is guaranteed to win a cash prize each week as well as being entered into a draw to win the jackpot of £25,000.

Many of our supporters have won the weekly draw several times. For more information and to play, please visit [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) search for Springfield Primary School, Chelmsford. The PTA receive a small percentage of profits from the lottery all of which we are putting towards our fundraising for the children.

### Tuck shop - next Friday 26 January

The PTA team will be outside school at pick up time with the usual pick and mix, chocolate and donuts. We can take cash or card payments.

## Diary Dates

*Dates changed or added this week in red.*

Spring 2024		
Fri 26 Jan	PTA Tuck shop	3.10
Tues 30 Jan	Junior choir at Young Voices at the O2	
Tues 6 Feb	Y4 Superstar Sports	12.30-14.45
Wed 7 Feb	World Read Aloud Day - bring your favourite book to school	
Tues 13 Feb	EYFS & Y1 Carnival skills	
Fri 16 Feb	PTA Tuck shop	3.10
Mon 19 Feb	Half term	
Mon 26 Feb	Inset - school closed to children	
Tues 17 Feb	Y3&4 Golf sessions	
Weds 28 Feb	Parents' Evening	3.45-5.45
Thurs 29 Feb	Parents' Evening	5pm-7.30
Tues 5 Mar	Y2&5 Curling sessions	

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
Tues 26 Mar	Foot golf and golf sessions	
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	Inset - school closed for voting	
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	
Tues 21 May	EYFS & Y2 dance sessions	
Wed 22 May	Y2 Essex Fire Museum	
Thurs 23 May	PTA disco for Y3,4,5	tbc
Fri 24 May	PTA Tuck shop	3.10
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
Fri 12 July	Dance Afternoon for parents	2pm
Thurs 27 June	PTA Tuck shop	3.10
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

Y2 - Thurs & Fri


Y4 - Mon & Tues

Y6 - Thurs & Fri

Y1 - Mon & Tues

Y3 - Mon & Weds

Y5 - Tues & Wed



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## VACCINATION CLINICS

**Has your child missed their school vaccinations?**

**We are running catch up clinics in your area.**

Where: Crouch Vale Medical Centre, CM3 5QP  
When: Saturday 13/01/24  
Time: 10am to 3.30pm

Where: Witham Health Centre, CM8 2UX  
When: Saturday 27/01/24  
Time: 10am to 2pm

**Year 10 & 11 pupils only**

- HPV (Cancer vaccine)
- Meningitis ACWY
- Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio Booster

**Reception to Year 11**

- Flu Vaccine (Nasal & Injection available)

**If your child is eligible, don't delay.**  
 Book your nearest clinic NOW or for more information on missed vaccinations please call 0300 790 0597.

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### Everything you need to know!







**Venue - St Pius X Primary School Tennyson Road, Chelmsford CM1 4HY**

**Time 9.00am - 3.30pm**  
**Early Drop Off 8.30am - Late Pick Up 4.30pm**

**Age - For all primary school aged children from Year R - Year 6**

**Sports - Football, Gymnastics, Basketball, Tag Rugby PLUS much more**

**Price - Normal Day £25**  
**Early Drop Off £3 - Late Pick Up £5**