



Week 8
13 Mar
2025

Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 3 March was Y2 Barn Owls with 99.7%.

Care Home Visit

Some of our children visited Lawns Care Home on World Book Day to share stories and take part in book related activities. They had a great time and have plans to visit again in May along with some of our junior choir.

Food Tasting

Year 4 children participated in food tasting. They had the chance to explore and taste locally produced foods like Tiptree jam, honey, raspberries and much more. They loved trying a variety of foods, especially the honey on bread. Lots of children tried foods that they thought they didn't like at first, but they now love. *Miss Prile*



Chess

On Friday, our brand new chess team attended a tournament at Moulsham Juniors. All 6 members of the team played fantastically and were a real credit to the school. They came in 4th overall and the Player of the day was Harsh in year 4 Polar Bears. *Mr Corder*

First Aid

All our classes took part in first aid sessions this week. They learnt how to call for an ambulance and how to put someone in the recovery position. The older children also learnt about CPR and even how to use a defibrillator. Great skills to learn but we hope they never have to use them.

Word Millionaires

Congratulations to our latest two million word millionaire: Agastya in Y6.



Cross Country

Some of the children in KS1 were chosen to represent Springfield at the cross-country races at Melbourne Stadium. The children were really resilient during their cross-country heat and represented the school excellently. We can't wait to hear back where we placed overall. *Miss Selwood-Thomas*

Great Springfield Bake Off Years 2-6.

It's time for our next House Bake Off Challenge. Entrants should bake and decorate 6 cookies with a theme in mind. Entries need to be sent to the school office on the following days:

Y2,3&4 – Tuesday 25 March
 Y5&6 – Wednesday 26 March.

PTA

Mothers' Day/ Someone Special Sale

The PTA helpers have been busy sourcing and wrapping some wonderful presents for the children to buy. All gifts are £2.50 each. We will be in the school selling the gifts on Tuesday 25 March and Friday 28 March.

Next Tuck Shop: Friday 28 March



The Great Springfield House Bake Off Competition Y2, 3 & 4 Tuesday 25 March 2025 Y5 & 6 Wednesday 26 March 2025

Children are invited to enter the Great Springfield House Bake Off competition. Entrants should bake and decorate six cookies with a theme in mind. Deliver the cookies to the school office on Tuesday for Y2, 3 & 4 and Wednesday for Y5 & 6.

Entries will then be judged by a specialist panel and a finalist from each year group will be invited back to a live bake off on the morning of Wednesday 2 April to make one large cake, with an adult of their choosing, in the hope of being crowned Bake Off Champion!

In addition, a cookie sale will be held after school on Tuesday 25 March & Wednesday 26 March with the remaining entries, to raise money for our food technology resources.

Please ensure all entries are nut free, clearly labelled with your name, class and house and provided in a suitable container.

We cannot wait to see your yummy creations...happy baking!!



Dinner Menu w/b 17 March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jacket potato	Spaghetti Bolognese Gluten	Roast chicken	Pork sausage roll Gluten, sulphites, lupin, soys & mustard	Battered fish fillet Fish & gluten
~~~WITH~~~ Cheese <b>Dairy</b> beans or tuna mayonnaise <b>Egg &amp; fish</b>	~~~OR~~~ 5 Bean chilli <b>Gluten</b> & <b>egg</b>	~~~OR~~~ Winter vegetable loaf <b>Dairy &amp; gluten</b>	~~~OR~~~ Veggie sausage roll <b>Gluten</b>	~~~OR~~~ Cheesy omelette <b>Egg &amp; dairy</b>
Salad	~~~WITH~~~ Rice Mixed veg	~~~WITH~~~ Yorkshire pudding <b>Gluten, dairy &amp; egg</b> Roast potatoes Seasonal veg	~~~WITH~~~ Mashed potato <b>Dairy</b> Beans	~~~WITH~~~ Chipped potatoes Peas
Jam crumble slice <b>Gluten</b>	Vanilla sponge with pink custard <b>Gluten, egg &amp; dairy</b>	Fresh jelly	Fresh fruit platter	Red Nose Day cookie <b>Gluten</b> <b>RED NOSE DAY</b>

## Diary Dates

*Dates changed or added this week in red.*

Spring 2025		
Tues 18 Mar	Concert for Rocksteady parents	10am
Weds 19 Mar	Reception and Y3 children Dental Check (this is only for children with consent) Hippos Parent Meetings	9.15
Fri 21 Mar	Red Nose Day non-uniform / wear red donate a £1 EYFS & Y1 Phonics afternoon for parents	2.30-3pm
21-27 Mar	Book Fayre - after school in the courtyard each day	3.10
Tues 25 Mar	PTA Mothers' Day sales Y2,3&4 Bake Off cookies to the office Cookie sale after school	3.10
Weds 26 Mar	Y5&6 Bake Off cookies to the office Cookie sale after school	3.10
Fri 28 Mar	PTA Mothers' Day sales Tuck shop	9am 3.10
Weds 2 May	Bake Off Finals	
Fri 4 Apr	Break up PTA Non-uniform day - wear Smarties colours and donate £1	
Over the holidays	Smarties challenge	
Summer 2025		
Tues 22 Apr	School starts	8.40

22 - 25 Apr	Y5 Bikeability	
Mon 28 Apr	Y4 swimming starts - every Monday	
Weds 30 Apr	PTA Smarties fun afternoon for class winners	
Thurs 1 May	Inset - school closed to children Forbesy Day Camp - half price childcare, must be prebooked	
Fri 2 May	Inset - school closed to children	
Mon 5 May	Bank Holiday - school closed	
Tues 6 May	School starts	8.40
6 - 7 May	Y5 Bikeability	
Thurs 8 May	Sports teams photos	
Fri 9 May	<b>VE Day celebrations in school - non uniform</b>	
Tues 13 May	Y5 to East Hanningfield Reservoir	
Thurs 15 May	PTA Y3,4,5 disco	5-6.30pm
Thurs 22 May	PTA fun afternoon EYFS, Y1 & Y2 during the school day	
Fri 23 May	Tuck shop	3.10
26-30 May	Half term	
4-6 June	Y6 Residential	
Fri 13 June	Sports day	KS2 9.30 EYS & KS1 1.30
Thurs 19 June	Class photos	
Fri 27 June	Tuck shop	3.10
Tues 15 July	Concert for Rocksteady parents	10am
Fri 18 July	Tuck shop	3.10
Sat 19 July	Y6 Leavers' events - Wilderness Centre & disco	tbc
Tues 22 July	Children break up at <b>1.30</b>	<b>1.30</b>

All dates subject to change

A copy of the 2024/2025 terms and holidays calendar can be found on the school website.

### PE Days

The children's PE days are

Y1 - Mon & Weds  
Y3 - Tues & Thurs  
Y5 - Mon & Fri

EYFS - Fri

Y2 - Mon & Weds  
Y4 - Tues & Weds  
Y6 - Mon & Thurs

The following Inset days have been agreed for 2025 - 2026

Monday 1 September 2025      Monday 10 November 2025  
Tuesday 24 February 2026      Friday 1 May 2026  
Monday 20 July 2026



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**Support your Child to Attend and Enjoy School**

This engaging and supportive 6-week course is designed for parents and carers who want to help their children develop the skills and confidence needed to thrive in school. Through interactive sessions, practical strategies, and expert guidance, participants will learn how to create a positive and encouraging environment that fosters enthusiasm for learning and regular school attendance.

If you would like to attend this course, please speak with your child's school so that they may fill out an application form for you.

Any questions?  
email us - [acfamilylearning@essex.gov.uk](mailto:acfamilylearning@essex.gov.uk)

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## Should I keep my child off school?

**Yes**

Condition	Until...
Diarrhoea and vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu like illness (including COVID-19)	They no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	After sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they've taken antibiotics.
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scarlet fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

**No**  
but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Standard fever
Head lice	Headlice
Throat issues	Stopped drink




**Advice and guidance**  
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://rpo.dh.gov.uk/>

**St Augustine of Canterbury North Springfield St Augustine's Way CM1 6GX**

# FUN QUIZ NIGHT

**Cash Prize!**

**Saturday 15th March**

Doors open 6:30pm with prompt start at 7pm  
£5 per person—6 people per team  
Tea, coffee and soft drinks available  
You may bring your own drinks and nibbles.  
Book tickets at [infostaugustines@gmail.com](mailto:infostaugustines@gmail.com)  
Or Church Mobile on 07935557668



Money raised will go to our Lent charity—  
Action for Family Carers  
See website: [www.affc.org.uk](http://www.affc.org.uk)

**IS YOUR CHILD STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER?**  
We would like to invite you to the...

## Mid Essex Start Well School Transition Roadshows



These FREE events have been organised in partnership between local schools and health and care partners as an opportunity for parents & carers across Braintree, Maldon & Chelmsford to prepare for this exciting time!

**WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE EVENT?**  
From 6pm, teachers from the schools in the area will give a talk on how parents & carers can support their children to prepare for school

Alongside this, parents & carers will be able to speak to a range of other organisations on the day to help with answering questions they may have in relation to their children starting school.

**TOPICS THAT WILL BE SUPPORTED BY ORGANISATIONS AT THE EVENT WILL INCLUDE:**

- Social Skills
- Managing Emotions
- Language & Communication
- Learning Skills
- Physical Health (including oral health)
- Independence Skills (including toileting)

If you have any questions about the events please email: [MidEYEP@essex.gov.uk](mailto:MidEYEP@essex.gov.uk)



**Dates, times & locations of the roadshows**

**Braintree area**  
[Chipping Hill Primary School, Witham](#)  
10th March, 6pm-7.30pm

**Maldon Area**  
[All Saints Primary School, Maldon](#)  
11th March, 6pm-7.30pm  
[Burnham On Stutch Primary School, Burnham](#)  
27th March, 6pm-7.30pm

**Chelmsford area**  
[Galleywood Infant School, Galleywood](#)  
20th March, 6pm-7.30pm  
[St Josephs Primary School, South Woodham Ferris](#)  
24th March, 6pm-7.30pm



## Essex Fire Museum Open Days



**Saturday 29th March** **10:30AM To 4:00PM**

**Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays RM17 5QS**

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