



SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM 2025

Teamwork Resilience Independence Creativity Kindness



Week 1
1 Sept
2025

Attendance News

Each week the class with the highest attendance will be shared here.

Welcome back to a new school year and a special welcome to all our new children and families. We also welcome our new staff Mrs Carter and Mrs Prayel to our Teaching Assistants Team. I am sure you will join us in making them feel welcome in being part of our Springfield family.

Absences

As shared last term, our registers will now close at 9am. A child arriving after 9am will be recorded as having an unauthorised absence. Please help us by getting your child to school on time. If your child is off school you must report your child's absence daily. We have an absence line where you can the school and leave a voicemail. You can press 1 to leave a message with your child's name, class and reason for absence, as much information as possible is needed, **just 'unwell' is not acceptable**. Please make sure you report your child's absence to school either by phone or email before the start of the school day. Our NEW absence email: absence@springfield-pri.essex.sch.uk this also can be used to report your child's absence.

Football

Archie in Y6 attended a goalkeeper showcase where there were 12 professional teams. Out of 36 children he was one of two selected by scouts. Archie was invited to the West Ham training ground to a GK talent event.



Shoes & Trainers

A reminder that children may wear black school shoes or trainers as part of their uniform. These should be plain black. Trainers should be worn on a PE day.

Educational Psychology Parent Helpline

We have been asked to share details of the launch of our new support offer for families. This helpline is here to give advice, support and signposting. It is a confidential, private, and safe service for parents and carers. No referral is needed - just a pre-booked appointment.

The booking is designed to provide an easier and more convenient experience:

Available on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays 1pm to 5pm.

25 minute appointments bookable via MS Teams.

No more waiting and instant booking confirmation.

For booking details and further information, please visit [EP-Parent-Helpline](#)

Harvest

This year we will be supporting the Chelmsford Food Bank for our harvest celebrations for the children on Thursday 16 October and we would welcome any donations into school of tinned or dried foods. The items the foodbank are desperate for are on this list.



Shopping List
Harvest/autumn 2025



Thank you for continuing to support us
These items are most needed at present:

Tinned meat meals
Tinned fish
Tinned vegetables, potatoes and tomatoes
Tinned pulses, tinned spaghetti, tinned soup
Rice
Instant mashed potato sachets
Pasta sauce
Ketchup and mayo
Cooking oil
UHT milk
Long-life fruit juice and fruit squash
Small jars instant coffee and hot chocolate
Tinned fruit
Sponge puddings and tinned rice pudding
Instant custard sachets and tinned custard
Jam and spreads
Packets of biscuits
Chocolate biscuit bars/cereal bars/sweets/savoury crackers
All toiletries inc: shower gel, shampoo, conditioner,
deodorant, toilet rolls, washing up liquid, laundry tabs/pods
Nappies sizes 5 to 7
We have sufficient pasta, thank you

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Dinner Menu w/b Monday 8 September

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pork & carrot meatballs Pork	Meaty pizza Gluten, dairy, pork & may contain sesame	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding Gluten, dairy & egg	Hunter's chicken Dairy & pork	Omega 3 fish fingers Fish & gluten
~~~OR~~~ Veggie meatballs <b>Soya</b>	~~~OR~~~ Cheese pizza <b>Gluten, dairy &amp; may contain sesame</b>	~~~OR~~~ Cheese & potato onion slice <b>Gluten &amp; dairy</b>	~~~OR~~~ Omelette <b>Egg &amp; dairy</b>	~~~OR~~~ Quorn nuggets <b>Gluten</b>
~~~WITH~~~ Spaghetti <b>Gluten</b> Mixed veg	~~~WITH~~~ Side salad	~~~WITH~~~ Roast potatoes Seasonal veg	~~~WITH~~~ Mashed potato <b>May contain wheat &amp; dairy</b> Peas	~~~WITH~~~ Chips Beans
Fresh fruit platter	Fresh fruit smoothie	Sprinkle cake Gluten, egg & may contain soya	Angel delight Dairy	Cookie Gluten & may contain soya

PTA News

We are holding our AGM on Tuesday 16 September at 6.30pm in the infant hall. If you, or a group of you wish to come along to meet us and find out what were about, we would love to see you there. Please email us springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com for further information or to let us know if you'd like to come along.

For those who are new to the school, we would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little bit about Springfield Primary School PTA (Parent, Teacher Association).

We are a small group of parents and teachers who volunteer our time to helping put on events for the enjoyment of the children and families, whilst aiming to raise extra funds for the school.

Last year we organised monthly tuck shops, discos, fun afternoons, Mothers' Day, Fathers' Day and Christmas gift sales, quiz nights, wreath making evenings, and the year 6 leavers events just to name a few. We advertise events on the weekly school newsletter and on our Facebook page. So please keep a look out.

With the money raised at these events we are really proud to have funded the complete replacement of the Early Years outdoor surfacing and play area, part funded the junior play equipment, purchased a book vending machine fully stocked with books, provided kit for the football team, bought sports equipment bags for playtime, pond dipping equipment and a portable PA system. We fund a visiting Pantomime group which comes to the school every Christmas and most recently we have funded the 'My Happy Mind' and 'SumDog' apps which are used within school most days and SumDog can be used by children at home.

Our team has become quite small this year with families leaving the school for secondary school. Without new volunteers becoming involved, the PTA is in danger of folding. This will mean that the events mentioned above will no longer take place. We need new faces to join us to see what we get up to and contribute fresh fundraising ideas. In particular we are looking for a secretary and someone to take over the chair's role (full handover provided). If you are unable to make the AGM but still interested in becoming involved, please don't hesitate to get in contact

springfieldprimarypta@gmail.com.

Diary Dates Dates changed or added this week in red

Autumn 25		
Tues 2 Sept	School starts	8.40
Tues 16 Sept	PTA AGM for parents	6.30pm
Mon 22 Sept	Coffee & Cake to discuss updates for parents of a child with SEND	9am

Fri 10 Oct	Mental Health day - wear yellow and donate £1	
Weds 15 Oct	Flu vaccinations for children	
Thurs 16 Oct	Harvest assembly for children	
27-31 Oct	Half term holiday	
Fri 7 Nov	Children individual photos	
Mon 10 Nov	INSET - school closed to children Parent's evening meetings	
Fri 14 Nov	Children in Need - non uniform and donate £1	
Thurs 20 Nov	House assemblies - wear house colours	
Fri 28 Nov	Panto in school funded by PTA	
Mon 8 Dec	Y1 Sharks Christmas for parents Y1 Dolphins Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Tues 9 Dec	Y2 Badgers Christmas for parents Y2 Barn Owls Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Weds 10 Dec	Y3 Seals Christmas for parents Y3 Turtles Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Thurs 11 Dec	Christmas Lunch	
Fri 12 Dec	Y5 Elephants Christmas for parents Y5 Hippos Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Mon 15 Dec	EYFS Christmas for parents	2.15
Tues 16 Dec	Y4 Polar Bears Christmas for parents Y4 Penguins Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Fri 19 Dec	Break up	3.10
Spring 2026		
Mon 5 Jan	School starts	8.40
Wed 4 Feb	Y4 Super Star Sports	12.30-3pm
16-20 Feb	Half term holiday	
Mon 2 Mar	INSET - school closed to children (this is a change from 24 Feb) Parent's evening meetings	
Fri 20 Mar	Red Nose day tbc - non uniform and donate £1	
Fri 27 Mar	Break up	3.10
Summer 2026		
Mon 13 Apr	School starts	8.40
Mon 4 May	Bank Holiday	
Thurs 7 May	INSET Day - school closed to children for voting	
Mon 11 May	Y6 SATs Week	
Mon 25 May	Half term holiday	
3 - 6 June	Y6 Residential visit	
Wed 1 July	Y2 Mini Games	9.30-11.45
Fri 17 July	Break up	1.30

All dates subject to change

A copy of the 2024/2025 & 2025/6 terms and holidays calendar can be found on the school website.

PE Days

The PE days this half term are:

EYFS	Friday
Y1	Wednesday & Friday
Y2	Wednesday & Thursday
Y3	Monday & Tuesday
Y4	Monday & Wednesday
Y5	Thursday & Friday
Y6	Wednesday & Friday



Emergency food for people in crisis

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