



Springfield Community Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 19th December 2019



TERM DATES

Last day of term (sch ends at 2pm) **19th Dec**

Christmas hols Fri 20th Dec—Mon 6th Jan

Return to school **Tues 7th Jan**

Half term Mon 17th—Fri 21st Feb

Return to school **Mon 24th Feb**

Easter holidays Mon 6th—Fri 18th Apr

Return to school **Mon 20th Apr**

May Day Fri 8th May

Half term Mon 25th—Fri 29th May

Return to school **Mon 1st Jun**

Summer holidays Friday 17th July

More information to come!

Dear parents and carers

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely, peaceful Christmas. Thank you for all your support this term. It was great to see so many parents at our Christmas show. A huge thank you as always to our amazing group of parents who worked so hard to organise our Christmas market—a huge amount of work goes into this each year and it is hugely appreciated.

Children are all ready for a rest as are our staff. We haven't set them lots of homework but do ask that they continue reading over the holidays, please encourage them to do this. Miss Alice is leaving us today to start her maternity leave. We would all like to wish her well and look forward to seeing her early in the Spring term with her new baby

Have a great Christmas and see you all in the New Year.

Fiona and all the staff at Springfield.

Happy Holidays
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR

School Uniform reminder

Please make sure your child returns to school in January wearing the correct school uniform. This includes shoes which are completely black. Children should not be wearing branded black trainers or jewellery, apart from small stud earrings.

Thank you for your support

P.E. Kit

By now all our children should have a school P.E. kit. We still have some kits available in the office along with the large size back pack. Please ensure your child brings their kit including trainers/plimsolls to school on the allocated days. Tracksuit bottoms are acceptable in the cooler months.

<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/springfieldprin16>

7th Jan—14th Feb 2020

School dinners: £2 per day - £10 p/week

Total cost is **£58** for this half term.

PLEASE ENSURE MEALS ARE PAID IN ADVANCE USING PARENT PAY

Look out for our new
Autumn/winter Menu!



Remember dinner money, trips and all club payments can be paid online via Parent Pay.

Year 4 performed their assembly all about the Vikings a few weeks ago and showcased the brilliant learning they have done in the first half of the autumn term. Who knew there was so much more to the Vikings than just a bunch of fierce warriors! Thank you to all the parents for your super help in supporting the children learning their lines and song, as well as all your help in making some pretty awesome costumes. A huge well done to year 4 for performing so well!



Applying for Reception Places for September 2020 & Tours of Springfield

If your child turns five between 1st September 2020 and 31st August, you need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2020. A place in our Nursery or having other children in the school DOES NOT automatically guarantee you a place in our Reception class. If you would like to join us on a school tour, please book your slot in the school office. This invitation is open to family and friends. On the 9th Jan 2020. All tours start at 9.30am

CHRISTMAS DISCO

The children danced and bopped the evening away to music from our special guest DJ Clay. Every year he manages to give the children a fun and exhilarating disco experience. I look forward to seeing some of those great dancing moves at our next 'Springfield's Got Talent' during the summer term!



Year 4 have been busy, busy!

Year 4 were visited by Alex Fernandez, a musician who came to enrich the children's science learning about sound. We had a brilliant time listening to how music is recorded and produced, as well as having a go at a range of different instruments.



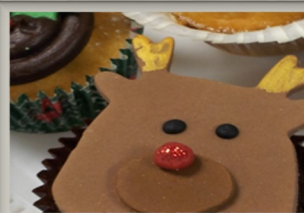
Piano and guitar lessons are now available for children in Year 3 to Year 6.

For information and cost speak to Doreen in the school office.



A massive thank you to all our parents, friends and carers who attended the **Children's Christmas Market**. As always, it was a huge success! Everyone seemed to enjoy browsing through the stalls, winning prizes including our great raffle, eating the delicious food and just sharing an hour or so with our Springfield community. On sale at the event were creations made by the children in their classes, the PTA during their weekly sessions and of course the kind donations brought in by our parents and carers. Our Special guest Santa delighted the children with his witty comments and gifts made by his hard working elves!

The success of these events depends upon our small dedicated team of parents who work relentlessly throughout the year to make sure events like this happen. The PTA are small in number and need your help – if you would like to join or can simply spare some time at an event please speak to Doreen in the school office.



Severe weather conditions

In the event of extreme weather such as heavy falls of snow, parents should take the following advice about the possibility of a school closure. Whenever possible, Springfield Primary School will remain open. However, we have to consider the safety of all our children and staff, some of whom travel a

great distance into school each day. Should the need arise, a decision will be made and a text message sent informing you of the school closure. Our school website will be updated to reflect any unexpected changes.



Allergy notice

Can we remind all parents and carers that we have a number of children in school who are highly allergic to nuts. Please do not send any nuts or foods that contain nuts into school. This includes Nutella which is made from hazel nuts and most cereal bars. Can you also remind your child about the importance of not sharing food with other children. The safest (and healthiest) snack to bring to school is a piece of fruit. Thank you for your support. Having a child who is at risk of having a serious allergic reaction is always worrying for parents and school staff and we want to ensure we do everything possible to minimise the risk.