



Thursday 28th April 2022

Thursday 5th May: Year 6 learning in school from 9-12

Dear Parents/Carers,

On **Thursday 5th May**, Springfield will be a polling station for our local community and most classes will be learning at home. We can accommodate one class in school on this day using the space that is not allocated to the polling station. As I know you will understand, we have allocated this space for Year 6 on Thursday to ensure they are as prepared as possible for their SATs the following week and so their routine is not disrupted at this key time.

Please ensure that your child attends school from 9-12 on Thursday 5th May. We are not able to use the hall for lunch, so the children will be dismissed at 12 o'clock to continue their revision at home. **Please collect your child from the main school office at 12 o'clock.**

Mr Isaac will be teaching carefully planned sessions that address target areas of maths, reading and grammar on this morning. It is hugely important that your child attends for the session so they do not miss key teaching and revision activities. Ms Alice and Ms Marian will also be supporting Year 6 on this morning as usual, and will work with individuals and groups on individual targets.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all families for your continued support and commitment to your child's education. In this final 'countdown' to their assessments, our Year 6 children are sustaining an incredibly mature, positive and ambitious attitude to their learning. Your encouragement and support has been hugely valuable in ensuring the children feel confident and prepared for these assessments. We are so proud of how far Year 6 have come, and how committed to our Springfield Commitment of *Reaching High* they have been.

At this time, we are highly mindful of your child's wellbeing. We narrate the power of a positive mindset and continue to take mindful and reflective moments. Our focus with the children is always on the *effort* and *progress* they make. Mr Isaac is spending time guiding the children through managing any worries or feelings of anxiety they may be experiencing. Please join us in reassuring your child that their best effort will *always* be enough. We also discuss the importance of a healthy diet, enough sleep and balance between study and relaxation. At this time, we particularly encourage your child to take time to play outside in the fresh air, and take regular breaks from revision.

Please do not hesitate to be in touch if you have any questions about the assessments. I will write to you again shortly with the arrangements for SATs week (9th May-12th May) including a timetable of assessments and ways in which you can ensure your child feels fully prepared each day.

Anna Case

Headteacher