

Springfield Community Primary School Newsletter

Headteacher's message	<p>Dear families, as we near the end of another academic year, I want to thank all of you for your unwavering support throughout. Our children have had an really successful year and they have all made incredibly strong progress across all areas of the curriculum. I know everyone is now looking forward to a well deserved holiday and we all wish you and your families a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer break.</p>
Strong September Start	<p>To ensure your child has a positive start to the new academic year, please remember the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The main gate opens at 8.45 for soft start—children can collect a bagel and settle in class • Smart uniform and plain black school shoes ensure all children are equal—please no trainers • PE kit includes white t-shirts (plain or with Springfield logos), green shorts or dark joggers—please no hoodies or branded tracksuits • We are a healthy school—please no crisps, chocolate or sweets in packed lunches • We are a nut-free school to ensure the safety of all children and adults • Named uniform and bags ensure any misplaced items can be safely returned • Prompt 3.30 collection (or 4.30 following clubs) means no child feels anxious waiting to be collected
Springfield's Commitments	<p>Thank you all for upholding our six Commitments: by encouraging your child to love learning you help to sew the seed of lifelong curiosity. By supporting your child to learn together with you at home, and with classmates, you encourage the collaboration that is foundational for their future success. Through building your child's confidence and positivity, you support their wellbeing and ensure they know they have a voice that is valued and powerful. Your encouragement to reach high means Springfield children know that their learning has no limits. Conversations about their dreams and goals inspire them to feel a sense of hope and optimism for their futures. Finally, your commitment to valuing respect for everyone ensures that your children walk the world with respect for everyone, without discrimination.</p>
Spotlight on: Anti-Racism at Springfield	<p>This half-term, we have been working on an Anti-Racism Commitment to ensure we have a clear, consistent and robust approach to proactively tackling racism. We have consulted our LAB (Local Advisory Board) for their feedback and are looking forward to sharing our draft with you in September. We are really invested in this initial consultation stage as we know a truly robust approach will be achieved following feedback from as many of you as possible. We are grateful to our governors for their perspectives and warmly welcome the feedback of our families representing a range of backgrounds and experiences. When your responses have been collated, we will then share our Commitment with our children to ensure their voice is heard.</p>
Summer Reading Challenge	<p>Your child is warmly invited—and encouraged! - to participate in this year's Summer Reading Challenge https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</p> <p>Please visit your local library to access a wide range of engaging books that your child can choose to read. The aim is to read 6 books over the 6 weeks—or more of course! Any child who completes the challenge will receive a Springfield certificate. There are also a range of exciting prizes available to be won from the library service.</p> <p>The challenge is a great way to motivate your child with summer reading. Reading every day is hugely important for a strong start in September. If your child does not read over the summer break, their fluency and stamina as a reader is likely to be affected.</p> 
Attendance	<p>Our target for each child's attendance is 96% + to secure strong learning outcomes and wellbeing.</p> <p>At Springfield, we make every day of learning count. As part of our approach to promoting and celebrating positive attendance, we are pleased to share class team averages for this year:</p> <p>Oak (Y6): 96.3% Elm (Y5): 94.9% Holly (Y3): 96.5% Chestnuts (Y1): 95.7% Birch (Y2): 94.8% Cherries (R): 94.4% Willow: (Y4): 93.7%</p> <p>We will continue to: send 100% attendance messages on a Friday to celebrate consistent attendance</p> <p>And review all children's average attendance on a weekly basis and send letters/meet with families where attendance is below 96% (at risk).</p> <p>For attendance below 90% (that is one day missed per fortnight), you will be invited to an 'improving attendance meeting' with actions agreed with the headteacher. If no improvement is made, the Hackney Education Team will be informed to support the improvement of your child's attendance.</p>
Steel Pans	<p>Steel Pans with Lucky Thomas</p> <p>Lucky Thomas, a talented musician and parent in our community, invites you to take part in the Hackney Carnival 2022. For more information and to register please phone Lucky on 07960 789692 or email him at panmanlucky@gmail.com</p>
	<p>For school events, holidays and much, much, more, visit our website at: www.springfield.hackney.sch.uk</p> <p>Please also follow us on Twitter @springcps and on Instagram @springfieldhackney</p>

Autumn Term: Dates for your diary

<p>September</p> <p>Breakfast and 6 o'clock club start on:</p> <p>Monday 5th September</p> <p>3:30-4:30pm After-school Clubs start on:</p> <p>Monday 12th September</p>	<p>Monday 5th September: children from Year 1 to Year 6 return to school</p> <p>Wednesday 7th September: Reception and Nursery staggered transition begins</p> <p>Monday 12th September at 3:45pm: EYFS and KS1 Meet the Teacher and Families Information Session</p> <p>Wednesday 14th September at 3:45pm: KS2 Meet the Teacher and Families Information Session</p> <p>Monday 19th September 9-9:45am: Reception Phonics Workshop for Parents/Carers</p> <p>Tuesday 20th September 9-9:45am: KS1 Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers</p> <p>Thursday 22nd September 9-9:45: KS2 Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers</p> <p>Tuesday 27th September 9-9:45am: Home Learning and Spelling Workshop for Parents/Carers</p>
<p>October</p>	<p>Wednesday 5th October: Photographer in school to take individual children's pictures</p> <p>Thursday 6th October at 9:15am: Oak Class Assembly for Year 6 Parents/Carers</p> <p>Thursday 13th October at 9:15am: Elm Class Assembly for Year 5 Parents/Carers</p> <p>Thursday 20th October at 2:30pm: Black History Month Assembly for families</p> <p>Friday 21st October at 3:45pm: Open Classroom and Learning Showcase for Parents/Carers</p>
<p>November</p>	<p>Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th November: Parents and Carers Evening (face to face and online meetings)</p> <p>Tuesday 15th November 9-9:45am: Online Safety Workshop for Parents/Carers</p>
<p>December</p>	<p>Thursday 1st December at 9:15am: Willow Class Assembly for Year 4 Parents/Carers</p> <p>Thursday 8th December at 9:15am: Holly Class Assembly for Year 3 Parents/Carers</p> <p>Wednesday 14th December at 2:30pm: Winter Gratitude Assembly for Parents/Carers</p> <p>Thursday 15th December at 4pm: Winter Fayre for all our community</p>

Term Dates 2022-23

Children return to school	Monday 5th September (Year 1-6)	Inset day	Monday 20th February
Half term holiday	Monday 24th October—Friday 28th October	Children return to school	Tuesday 21st February
Inset Day	Monday 31st October	Last day of Spring term	Friday 31st March
Children return to school	Tuesday 1st November	Children return to school	Monday 17th April
Last day of Autumn term	Friday 16th October	May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 1st May
Inset Day	Tuesday 3rd January	Half term	Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June
Children return to school	Wednesday 4th January	Children return to school	Monday 5th June
Half term holiday	Monday 13th February—Friday 17th February	Last day of Summer term	Friday 21st June (school closes at 2pm)

PE Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 5	Year 2	Year 1	Year 3 Reception	Year 4 Swimming Year 6 PE