

Springfield Primary Academy

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Care, Collaboration, Challenge

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Springfield Academy News

Staffing Changes

At half term we said goodbye to Miss Prime, one of our teaching assistants. Miss Prime worked at Springfield for nearly eight years and will be missed by both staff and children.

We would like to congratulate Miss Pinchbeck, one of our Year 6 teachers, who arrived back from half term as Mrs. Namur. We wish the happy couple all the best for their future together.

I am sure that many of you are aware that Mrs Gascoyne is pregnant and will be leaving us at the end of the Autumn term. We wish the family well. We will be interviewing shortly for Mrs. Gascoyne's replacement during her maternity leave.

Fund Raising

We realise at this time of the year that there are a number of requests from school for donations to some very worthwhile charities. Below are the events that we will be supporting this term. Remember that it is a contribution, you do not have to give to all of these.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

As always, we will be selling poppies in school from **Monday 4th November**. There are also a number of other items for sale, though these are very limited. These items have suggested donations – zip pull 50p, poppy reflector 50p, wristband £1 and snap band £1.50. We will try and share these out across the key stages, but unfortunately we won't have enough for everyone that will want one. Our main aim, however, is to sell all that we have been given to support the wonderful work that the Royal British Legion does.

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is a charity that sends shoeboxes packed with gifts to children overseas that otherwise may not get a Christmas present. Just before the half term holiday, your child should have brought home a leaflet regarding these gifts. Thank you to those children that have already made and brought in a shoebox. If you would like to make a shoebox, there is still time. We are also collecting any items to put into shoeboxes, so that we can make our own up in school. The deadline for bringing shoeboxes into school is **Monday 11th November**.

Children in Need

On **Friday 15th November**, we will have a non-uniform day to raise money for Children in Need.

Christmas Fair

On **Friday 22nd November** we will have a non-uniform day in return for bringing a bottle into school. This could be a bottle of wine, beer, soft drink, water, shampoo, washing up liquid, etc. All bottles will be used on our very popular bottle stalls at the Christmas Fair.

Alzheimer's Society

I have received a very touching letter from two of our children, Jack and Emily. In the letter they talk about their grandma, who is suffering from Alzheimer's. At times she remembers her grandchildren, but at other times can't. The children asked whether they could raise money for the Alzheimer's Society to aid finding a cure. The Alzheimer's society are organising a nationwide elf day. On **Friday 20th December**, we will be having our 'Christmas Jumper' day. I suggest that we make this our Christmas jumper/elf day in support of the Alzheimer's Society.

All of these date can be found on our website and reminders will be sent out nearer the time by text.

New Website

Please take some time to have a look at our new website at the address above. As we build up its content, look out for information about the curriculum your child is following, school dates and information, policies and regular updates on the year group blogs.

Role Models

Across the school, we have a huge emphasis on 'Care, Collaboration, Challenge'. These underpin all that we do in our school. Throughout the year, children will be nominated by their class teacher as a 'role model'. These are our children that consistently show the characteristics of being able to care, collaborate and challenge themselves. Our role models will receive a red wristband that they will be able to wear whilst at school.

Dates

11 th November	3/4 visit to Magna
15 th November	Children in Need – non-uniform day
22 nd November	Bring a bottle – non-uniform day
29 th November	Year 5/6 Big Sing visit
29 th November	Key Stage 1 Advent workshop (in school)
4 th December	Christmas Fair 3.30-5pm
12 th December	Reception visit to Rand Farm
16 th December	3/4 Christmas Concert 9.30am Foundation Stage Christmas Concert 10.45am 5/6 Christmas Concert 2.30pm
17 th December	1/2 Christmas Concert 9.30am Foundation Stage Christmas Concert 10.45am 3/4 Christmas Concert 2.30pm
18 th December	5/6 Christmas Concert 9.30am 1/2 Christmas Concert 11am
19 th December	Christmas Parties
20 th December	End of term
6 th January	Staff training day
7 th January	School re-opens to children