

Care, Collaboration, Challenge

Monday 31st January 2022

Dear Parent

Over the last two weeks we have been visited by both the trust's Chief Executive Officer and by a number of staff from other trust schools in the area. They have spent time in classrooms and around school and were very complimentary about the children's attitudes to learning and the work that they are producing. We know that our children are fantastic, but it's great to hear others say the same too.

I was contacted by a parent recently to let me know of the death of Jim Finney. Jim was a teacher at Springfield for a number of years and I'm sure many of our parents that came to Springfield as children will remember him. He was an inspiration to many and the reason this particular parent went into teaching.

Spring Term After School Clubs

The list of clubs for after half term is now on the school website. These include Fitkidz/Poppercise, netball/basketball, football, dodgeball and gym and apparatus. All clubs have to be booked through My Child at School.

Lost Property

Our lost property mountain continues to grow! Please check your child's uniform to make sure that everything is clearly named. We are very happy to sort items and return them to the child; however, if there's no name in, we cannot do this.

Car Parking

I would be grateful if parents dropping off at breakfast club would use the carpark safely. Last week two cars were observed to drive up onto the path to get round a car coming into school, other cars have been seen to reverse into the path of oncoming traffic. We have a very narrow entrance and it can cause a bottleneck. I understand that many of you will be going off to work, however, the safety of our children and staff is paramount.

Coronavirus Update

Since returning after Christmas, case numbers amongst children have been low. We have had and are continuing to have staff absences due to Coronavirus. We are attempting to keep everything as normal as possible, but there will be inevitable changes as we move staff around to cover.

Self-isolation rules have changed once again. If your child tests positive on a lateral flow, there is no need for them to have a PCR test. They must self-isolate for ten days, unless they have two consecutive negative lateral flow results. The earliest these can be done is on day 5 and day 6 of

the self-isolation. If your child continues to test positive, then they must self-isolate for the full ten days. After this, they will be able to return to school. If your child has Coronavirus, but is well enough to work at home, please contact your child's class teacher and work will be provided for them through Class Dojo.

Diary Dates

11 th February	School closes for half term at 3.30pm
21 st February	Children return to school
3 rd March	World Book Day
1 st April	School closes for Easter
19 th April	Staff training day
20 th April	Children return to school

As always, thank you for your support and co-operation.

Yours faithfully

A. Willett