



24th April 2019

Welcome to the Summer Term

We hope you all had a good Easter Holidays and enjoyed the lovely bank holiday weather. Rain is anticipated but thinking ahead to more sunny days, please send in a sun hat for your child if they will wear one and send in some sun cream with your child's name on it.



Staffing

We have welcomed back TA Felicity from maternity leave and Teacher Sam Orpwood returns to job share with Claire Colmer on Wednesday 24th April. We said goodbye to Teacher Donna Roberts who was covering Sam and wish Donna well in her new job.

Congratulations to Teacher Beckie Hatt who is expecting a baby in the early Autumn.

Teacher Tim Walker will be leaving at May Half Term. Tim has worked at Springfield for just over ten years and we wish him well in his new job teaching at Woodeaton Manor School

We have an advert out to recruit for a permanent teacher and a maternity leave cover.

Friends [FoSS] AGM

It is a shame that so few people could make the AGM. We are looking at ways of improving involvement as the Friends want to expand on networking and social opportunities for parents and pupils, as well as raise funds.

Many thanks to the Friends Committee for all their support over the past year. It really does make a huge difference to the School, particularly in a financial climate where we are under funded.

- They pay for the horse riding sessions at the RDA which is currently accessed for most primary aged pupils for half a term over the year.
- They contribute to the running of our four minibuses which is on average £8000 a year.
- They have contributed to sensory and theme based resources.
- They contribute towards the adult costs for school trips.

We will be looking at ways to get fresh ideas for both social events and fundraising to support pupils, their families and the activities / resources that the School wants to continue to offer.

Please do let us know any ideas you have by emailing – friends@springfield.oxon.sch.uk

The Value for this half of the term is Equality

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Maths Information for Parents / Carers on the website

The Maths Learning and Teaching Team have put together some information on the different areas of Maths to support working on these at home. The areas are Number, Time, Calculation, Geometry, Data, Measurement and Money.

These can be found on the website www.springfield.oxon.sch.uk under "Families" and then click on "Curriculum".

Annual Reviews and EHCPs

The majority of our review meetings are held in the second half of the Summer Term and you should have received the date. The dates are sent to therapists, the Nurses, LA, Social Care and LDCamhs. If they work with your child then they are asked to write a report even if they also attend the meeting. You will receive your child's reports 2 weeks prior to the meeting and a draft EHCP for you to review so that we can discuss the changes at the meeting.

Therapists Information

Welcome back to Speech and Language Therapist Laura Davies. Ben East is no longer supporting Springfield as Laura is back. Thanks to Ben for the time he was with us.

Attached is the updated information regarding the Therapists.

Amazing Key Stage 2 Team

Congratulations to our Key Stage 2 Team who attended the Oxfordshire Primary Panathlon Challenge in Abingdon and they won!

The Panathlon has activities such as Boccia, Table Cricket, Basketball and Polybat and is open to all pupils with SEN.

Everyone was very excited and delighted to get their Gold Medals and trophy.



The Team will now be attending the Cross Counties Panathlon which is being held in Swindon in June.

Parent Support

You will be receiving some information regarding some short training sessions on Signing and Positive Behaviour Support in the Summer Term.

We aim to offer more of these opportunities for parents and carers as well as include more useful information on our website.

There is a letter from Parent Governor Helen, asking for thoughts / ideas on the home / school diary as this is something we are looking at reviewing and would appreciate as much input as possible.

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