



September 2019

Welcome to the first Autumn Term edition of the newsletter.

Welcome back to the start of new school year. I hope you all had a good summer. It is great to see everyone back at school and getting used to the routines again.

At the end of last term we said goodbye to 11 pupils and their families and this term we have welcomed 13 new pupils and their families to the school.

To avoid confusion, the Bronze Barrow site is the primary site shared with Madley Brook mainstream primary school and is referred to as 'BB'. When we talk about the Wood Green site, this is our secondary site on the same site as Wood Green mainstream secondary school and is referred to as 'WG'.



Respect

The Value for this half of the term is Respect

Governors

We had our first meeting on 17th September when John Beckley was elected as the Chair of Governors and Helen White as Vice-Chair.

The Governors discussed:-

- The recent Health and Safety and Safeguarding Audits.
- Updates relating to converting to join the Gallery Trust.
- Updates relating to staffing and the budget.
- Staff training in the past year.
- Three policies which were approved. This includes an updated Safeguarding Policy which is on the website.

We now have several vacancies for some Co-opted Governors which means that those interested can have a range of skills and experience to offer. These may be linked to financial and business experience; market; working within the local community or within an aspect of education.

Attached is a letter with more information. Please consider if there is anyone you know who might like to be a Governor.

Pupil Absence

Please remember to let the school office know if your child is not in school for any reason.

Primary – 01993 703963
Secondary – 01993 706662

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Website

www.springfield.oxon.sch.uk

We will be updating our website this year, which will include updating the photos as some pupils look very young in them!

We will also be going back to having regular News items.

Please do look at the website under the "Families" section and then "Curriculum" as there are various useful resources for you to access.



School Leadership Roles

Emma Lawley – Head.

Becs Bradley – Assistant Head [mainly at WG].

Topaze Skerrett – Assistant Head [mainly at BB].

Jade Hewlett – KS 2 Phase Leader.

Jo Donohoe – full-time Senior TA.

Carol Willoughby – part-time Senior TA.

Class Line Managers

If you wish to get in contact with your child's class line manager then these are as follows:-

Emma Lawley – Nicola Dullaghan, Sue Calcutt, Anthony Buckle, Nic Reeves, Claire Colmer + Sam Orpwood and Jade Hewlett.

Jade Hewlett – Angus Marsden + Arezu Roxburgh and Jo McGill.

Topaze Skerrett – Sarah Crothers + Jasmine Turner.

Becs Bradley – Kate Bristow, Louise Jones + Viv Turner and the KS 4 Unit.

Staffing

- Welcome to Sarah Crothers, our new teacher at Wood Green.
- Some of you will remember teacher Angus Marsden who has returned to cover a maternity leave and is now on the primary site.
- Teacher Zoe Dobson will be reducing her days to part-time from 1st October.
- We are currently advertising for two temporary teachers as Louise Jones has a new permanent job at Abingdon and Witney College and will therefore be leaving at half term, and congratulations to Nic Reeves who is expecting a baby in the New Year.
- Congratulations to TA Charlie Davies who gave birth to her son Luca
- It will not be long before we say goodbye to teachers Beckie Hatt and Emily Maycock who are both going on maternity leave. We wish them both good luck.
- At the end of last term we said goodbye to TA Mel Bellinger who has worked at Springfield for many years! We have also recently said goodbye to BB Admin Beth Smith, TA Ren Scott and Georgia Balmer. We wish them all well in their next jobs and ventures.

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Dates for your



- **Friday 27th September 2019 – MacMillan Coffee morning** - our KS 4 unit organises this coffee morning. More information to follow but it is great when homemade or bought cakes are sent in and even better when families and friends come along to our secondary site to support this event. We look forward to seeing you.
- **Friday 25th October 2019** – Break up for half term holiday.
- **Monday 4th November 2019** – Training Day for staff – both sites closed for all pupils.
- **Thursday 5th December 2019** - Parents and Carers Evening.
- **Wednesday 11th December 2019 at 1.30pm** – Springfield whole school Christmas Performance [both BB and WG pupils].
- **Thursday 19th December 2019** – break up for Christmas Holidays. Secondary site at 1.00pm and Primary site at 1.15pm.
- **Monday 6th January 2020** – first day back at school for all pupils.

Flu Immunisations

You should have received the information about the Nasal Spray immunisation that we arrange with the NHS to be given in school. The consent form is now online only – please call the office if you have any queries or need any support with this.

Relaxed Theatre Performances

Please see attached information about relaxed performances at both the Chipping Norton Theatre and Oxford Playhouse.

ALDI Vouchers

We are collecting the ALDI vouchers for schools so please send these in when you collect them.

Nut Allergies

At the BB Primary Site, several people have a severe nut allergy so please can parents / carers' NOT send in any food that contains nut products. This includes some chocolate spread that contains nuts. We appreciate that some packaging says that an item might have been produced in an environment where there are nuts and this is ok, it is products themselves that contain nuts in the ingredients.

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