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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now in the final half term of this school year and this week Year 5 visited the Black Country Museum to support their learning about living in Victorian times. Year 1 have been learning about 'Quarrelsome Queens' and had a Victorian workshop to learn about what type of queen, Victoria was.

Please check your child's parentpay account and ensure all trips are paid for.

The children who moved classrooms are now all settled and enjoying their new learning spaces and all children are enjoying having a full playground to run around and play in.

Whilst the building work was taking place, we were given special permission to use the gate on Stratford Road, which is deemed as the most dangerous of our gates, as it opens directly onto a main road, without any barriers. I would like to thank all parents for their cooperation and feedback, as we get used to our new dismissal system.

We are expecting Eid on 17th June and I would like to take this opportunity to remind those families celebrating that only one day of leave will be granted for this religious observance.

I would also like to remind parents that term finishes on Friday 19th July, with our 100% attendance beach trip on Monday 22nd July. Please book any summer holidays, after these dates.

There are many exciting events taking place this half term, so please look out for information coming your way.

Attendance up until 24.05.24

Whole School		
2021/	2022/	2023
2022	2023	to
		date
95.2	93.8	95.0

Our attendance target is 96% minimum

Class	%	
Nursery	88.6	
R Inkpen	90.1	
R McKee	95.2	
1 Donaldson	93.6	
1 Murphy	95.6	
2 Bloom	92.0	
2 Hoffman	94.8	
3 Fine	95.5	
3 Wilson	96.7	
4 Morpurgo	95.4	
4 Pullman	96.8	
4 Rauf	96.6	
5 Blackman	95.6	
5 Zephaniah	96.1	
6 Gavin	97.0	
6 Hardy	95.1	
6 Naidoo	97.0	

Considerate Driving and Parking

Springfield Primary is situated in a residential area with three busy roads for our perimeter. Pupil safety is our number 1 priority, and it is saddening to see cars, being driven by our parents, in an unsafe fashion and parking on double yellow lines and street corners. Please help us to protect your children by driving and parking safely.

In addition to parking safely, I need to ask parents to consider our neighbours. Once again, we have been informed of parents partially using and blocking the driveways of local residents and parking in a fashion that makes the pavements inaccessible.

Please ensure all parking is both safe and considerate.

Summer Weather - Reminder

As we are approaching warmer weather, we would like to remind parents/carers to ensure that children are dressed appropriately for the weather. It is also advisable for your child to apply a high factor suncream before they come to school.

We recommend that your child brings a sunhat/cap for them to wear during playtime and lunchtime (please make sure the child's name and class name is written on it)

Please ensure your child brings a refillable water bottle every day.

Allergy Awareness

At Springfield, we support children to manage any medical conditions they may have, including allergies.

We currently have children with a variety of allergies and have systems in place to manage these.

We are asking parents to help children understand how to keep themselves and their friends safe by NOT sharing packed lunches and snacks, as they may not know each other's allergies.

Children often bring large tubs of sweets and chocolates into school, for their birthdays; please could parents remove ALL sweets and chocolates that contain nuts before sending treats into school.

Holidays During Term Time

We have had an increasing number of applications for holidays during term time. In line with Birmingham City Council guidelines, we do not authorise holidays during term time.

If you take your child on holiday, then this will result in a fine for each parent – 1 x fine per parent per child. We would like to inform you that from September, fines will be increasing from £60 to £80 if it is your first-time taking leave during term time.

Year 6 Grammar Test

Registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for a place at any of the grammar schools in Birmingham (entry to Year 7 in September 2025).

Registration can be made online by visiting the website below.

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 28th June 2024.

The test will take place on 14th September 2024.

www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk

Nursery Places - September 2024

We are now taking applications for Nursery children starting in September 2024.

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021? Do you have neighbours or relatives who are looking for a Nursery place for their child? If so, please collect a Nursery application form from the school office. Be quick! Places are filling up fast!!

Dates For Your Diary

24.06.24 - 2 Hoffman - Martineu Gardens

25.06.24 - 2 Bloom - Martineu Gardens

27.06.24 – Year 5 – Brownlee Foundation Mini Triathalon

03.07.24 – Year 6 Transition Day

09.07.24 - Year 4 - Tamworth Castle

11.07.24 - Year 6 - Ackers Adventure Park

19.07.24 - Last Day of Term

20.07.24 - 01.09.24 - Summer Holidays - School is closed to all pupils

02.09.24 - School re-opens for all pupils

Attendance

Children who have 100% attendance for the whole year and do not take more than the one authorised day for religious observance will be treated to a day out at the end of the academic year.

Please speak to Miss Stringer, Mrs Hussain or a member of staff if you need help to ensure that your child attends school daily.