



Springfield Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The refurbishment of our school building is well underway, and with the Easter break coming soon, we're hopeful that the project will be completed by then, providing us with a full playground and fantastic learning spaces for all.

We encourage all children to take advantage of the half term break to relax, recharge, and, most importantly, read! Reading is a fantastic way to explore new worlds, expand vocabulary, and spark creativity. Please remember you can visit Sparkhill library, where it is free to borrow books.

Our youngest learners had a wild and wonderful time this week with a visit from the animal man! They had the opportunity to get up close and personal with a variety of creatures, sparking curiosity and wonder.

Please remember to check your ParentPay accounts for any outstanding costs and to make payments for upcoming educational visits. It's essential that important visits are paid for promptly to ensure they can proceed as planned.

If your child has not yet received the measles vaccination and you have any questions or concerns, we encourage you to come and speak with us. The health and well-being of our students are of utmost importance, and we're here to support you in any way we can.

Ms S Taylor
Headteacher

Attendance up until 26.01.24

| Whole School | | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023 to date |
| 95.2 | 93.8 | 95.5 |

Our attendance target is 96% minimum

| Class | % |
|-------------|-------|
| Nursery | 88.3% |
| R Inkpen | 89.6% |
| R McKee | 94.6% |
| 1 Donaldson | 94.4% |
| 1 Murphy | 96.0% |
| 2 Bloom | 94.1% |
| 2 Hoffman | 94.0% |
| 3 Fine | 95.2% |
| 3 Wilson | 97.1% |
| 4 Morpurgo | 96.7% |
| 4 Pullman | 97.8% |
| 4 Rauf | 96.7% |
| 5 Blackman | 96.2% |
| 5 Zephaniah | 97.1% |
| 6 Gavin | 97.5% |
| 6 Hardy | 95.7% |
| 6 Naidoo | 97.6% |

Stay and Play

Stay and Play Sessions 9am-10am every Friday!

We would like to remind our parents of our free stay and play sessions for babies and toddlers aged 0-5. The sessions take place in our Nursery setting, where you will be able to take part in fun educational games and activities with your child. This is a great opportunity for you to meet different parents in the community and have some 'adult' conversation time!

E-Safety/ Safeguarding

Please check the age restrictions on the apps your children are using.

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|---|--|--|--|--|
| 13+ | | 16+ | | |
|  Facebook |  Snapchat |  WhatsApp | | |
|  Instagram |  Twitter | 17+ | | |
|  TikTok |  Kik | | | |
|  YouNow |  Yubo |  Sarahah | 18+ | |
|  House Party |  Monkey |  YOLO | | |
| | |  MeetMe |  LiveMe | |

NHS measles vaccine clinic
Monday 26th February 2024

NHS staff will be onsite to provide pork-free vaccines for children who are not fully vaccinated. Individual letters will be sent to families with unvaccinated children.

Fire Safety

We were lucky to have Firefighters in school this week to work with our year 4 children on fire safety. During their visit, all of the children had an opportunity to visit the firetruck - which they loved!

An important fire message for all our families

Smoke alarms are essential for every home and ensure you and your family can be warned early if there's a fire.

No matter the size of your home, if you can only heat one room, it is essential that you have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in that room so you will hear them while sleeping.

You can take a free online safety check which will help you identify any risks. Visit <https://www.safelincs.co.uk/hfsc/> to do it online today. Alternatively, for the most vulnerable, you can apply for a [Safe and Well visit](#) from us. During the visit, our local firefighters will give you safety advice on a range of areas such as fire and personal safety as well as fitting smoke detectors free where they're needed.

Home Readers

Reading with your child at home will help them in all areas of school. As little as 10 minutes reading a day can have a huge impact on your child's progress.

Research shows the importance of reading on a daily basis in developing their use and understanding of vocabulary. Your child is given a home reader and a reading for pleasure book to practice and enjoy their reading.

Don't forget to encourage your child to read at home every day.

Make sure you record their reading in their reading diaries as we love to see what they are doing at home!

Dates For Your Diary

09.02.24 – Y3/4/5 Reading Parent Workshop

09.02.24 – Children break up for February half term

19.02.24 – Children return to school

22.02.24 – Year 4 Sandwell Valley Trip

23.02.24 – Year 4 Sandwell Valley Trip

23.02.24 – Year 3 Cadbury World Trip

04.03.24 – 08.03.24 – Scholastic Book Fair

05.03.24 – Mckee Trip – Attwell Farm

07.03.24 – Inkpen Trip – Attwell Farm

14.03.24 – Year 1 Trip - Thinktank

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