



Springhill Catholic Primary School

15th December 2023

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Together, we will do our best for Jesus

"The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life." - John 4:14

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have completed our first full term of the academic year and we have reached the Christmas holidays.

Exciting Week:

We have had a very exciting week with the Christmas lunch which had crackers and music and the school elf causing trouble, our torch bearer glow discos and our Christmas assemblies with a Santa visit. Santa very kindly brought chocolate lollies or dietary requirement sweets (thank you Emma from the PA for helping Santa with these) and thank you Deacon Andy for helping to organise Santa to be at Springhill today. The excitement in school today is huge.

RE Newsletter:

Please find attached to newsletter email, the RE Christmas topic newsletter prepared by Miss Murray. It gives you information on what the children are learning about in this unit of work.

Thank you Governors and Parents' Association:

At Christmas time, I always like to thank our very hard-working governing body team which is led by Graham Joslin. Our team of governors work quietly in the background ensuring the school is the very best it can be. Thank you governors! I also like to thank our Parents' Association team who have put on some wonderful events this term and have raised funds for our children – you are all fantastic!

Thank you parents for all your support this term: our pupils at Springhill look smart in their school uniforms every day, they complete their homework and their reading challenges and their attendance is great. Thank you for all that you do.

I hope you have a great Christmas break, we look forward to seeing you all again on Thursday 4th January. For all of our families who are travelling over the Christmas period, we wish you a safe journey.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ashworth and all the staff at Springhill

**Winning
house this
week**



**Working together to
improve attendance**

Target 97% and above

Year Group Summary:
w/c : 11/12/2023

Year F - 93.79%
Year 1 - 98.28%
Year 2 - 93.49%
Year 3 - 95.46%
Year 4 - 96.97%
Year 5 - 95.16%
Year 6 - 98.33%



NUT FREE SCHOOL



THANK YOU

Diary dates:

- **Thursday 4th January** - Children return to school; gates open at 8:30am
- Friday 5th January – Epiphany Mass and Liturgy
- W/C Monday 8th January – Poetry week
- Friday 26th January – School discos

Church News:

St Joseph's & St Edmund's



Jingling Bells: Come and Sing - Sunday 17th December 3:00-4:30pm in St Edmund's, followed by tea in the hall

Christmas Mass times:

Penitential Service - 18th December 7:00pm in St Edmund's

Christmas Eve - Sunday 24th December 5:00pm & 7:00pm in St Edmund's (Family oriented masses; request for children to read bidding prayers)

- 9:00pm in St Joseph's; 12:00am (midnight) in St Edmund's

Christmas Day - 9:00am & 11:00am in St Edmund's; 10:00am in St Joseph's

Weekly Newsletter available to view at:

<https://www.southamptoncitycentrecatholics.org/newsletter>

Immaculate Conception Church

Night of Light - Friday 15th December 5:00pm-7:30pm

Christmas Mass times:

Penitential Service - 19th December 7:30pm

4th Sunday of Advent - Sunday 24th December Mass 9:30am

Christmas Eve - 5:30pm Family mass; 10:00pm Carols; 10:30pm Christmas Vigil mass

Christmas Day - 9:30am

Weekly Newsletter available to view at:

<https://www.immaculateconception.church/newsletter>

Monthly bulletin:

https://www.immaculateconception.church/files/ugd/850ccc_37b332c3ebff4241830e40cdc68ed43b.pdf



Online Safety:

What is Rec Room?

Rec Room is a free online multiplayer video game from America created in April 2016. Users can explore millions of player-created rooms and communicate with people from all over the world. Or they can create their own inventions (player-made items) to share with others.

Users can download Rec Room for free across various platforms, including PC, Mac, iOS, Android, PlayStation, Xbox and Oculus. Its first-person style of gameplay makes it a good fit for a variety of virtual reality (VR) headsets.

This style of gameplay also lends itself to a place in the metaverse, which surrounds the idea of creating virtual digital worlds and realities similar to real life. Learn more about the metaverse [here](#).

What is Rec Net?

Rec Net (Rec.net) is the community website for Rec Room. Users on Rec.net login with their Rec Room details to shop, explore user inventions and see upcoming in-game events. It's also where users can upgrade their account or add real-world money for in-game purchases.

Parents can login to Rec Net to manage their child's account as well.

Rec Room age minimum

Rec Room is open to users of all ages. However, users under the age of 13 are registered to a Junior Account.

Junior Accounts limit voice and text chat, the types of usernames children can have, where they can create inventions, and inappropriate content such as 'friendly fire' options in Quests and player-made content with mature or scary themes.

Things to watch out for

Rec Room has not had much controversy in the news but as with any online multiplayer video game, it's important to watch out for potential risks to children and teens.

Communicating with strangers

Teens are not restricted to who they can talk to in Rec Room, so it's important to talk with them about [keeping personal information private](#). They should also be aware that people are not always who they say they are.

Explore Internet Matters' [advice hub on grooming](#) to know what to look for and what to discuss to keep your child safe.

In-game spending

Like many other online games, in-game tokens can be purchased and earned in Rec Room. Spending these tokens lets users customise avatars and dorm rooms, among other things. It's important to speak with your child [about managing their spending online](#).

Additionally, parents can manage spending abilities on Junior Accounts with their Rec Net login. Learn more about how to manage Junior Accounts with [Rec Room's parent's guide](#).

Sport News:

Well played to our Year 4 boys' football team who put in a strong performance to defeat Bassett Green Primary 6-0 this week. On the same night, our year 3 boys' football team lost to the same school 3-2 in a close game.

The school will be running more Matchday Experiences next term - it has been difficult to confirm these dates with the respective clubs due to their availability on the day, and that is still the case, but provisional dates are:

Saturday 27 January - AFC Totton (football)

Saturday 3 February - Team Solent Kestrels (basketball) - girls only.

Saturday 23 March - AFC Totton (football)

These are for KS2 children only - more details and, hopefully, confirmation of these dates will follow in the first newsletter next term.

The school works closely with Team Solent Kestrels. Information on the Saturday morning coaching sessions they run is shown below.

KESTRELS

**UNDER 11
BASKETBALL
SESSIONS**

SATURDAYS - 9AM - 10AM

BOYS & GIRLS - YEAR 5/6

SOLENT SPORTS COMPLEX

SCAN HERE TO SIGN UP

TEAM SOLENT KESTRELS

QR CODE

Christmas Activities:

Southampton FC are running their **Football Holiday Camps** from 18th to 22nd December at various venues around the area - see the schedule below. They will also be running a Soccer School from 20th to 22nd at their training ground. Please visit their website for more details.

<https://coaching.southamptonfc.com/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&startDate=&typeId=78%2C118%2C208%2C212&ageFrom=&ageTo=&schoolYearFrom=&schoolYearTo=&venueId=>

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS

Taking your kid's game to the next level - sign your 5-13 year old up for our Soccer Schools this Christmas and we'll take care of the rest.

We can assure:

- Quality FA accredited coaching
- They'll be added to the Saints Player Progression Pathway
- Matches and mini tournaments
- The chance to win signed merch
- An experience geared towards fun and excitement
- All coaches DBS Checked



CHRISTMAS SOCCER SCHOOLS (18TH - 22ND DECEMBER)

LOCATION	TIME	PRICE	MEMBER PRICE	DAY PASS PRICE
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	9am - 3pm	£117.70	£105.93	£27.00
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9am - 3pm	£117.70	£105.93	£27.00
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9am - 5pm	£157.00	£141.30	£33.80
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY	9am - 3pm	£117.70	£105.93	£27.00
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY (GIRLS ONLY)	9am - 3pm	£117.70	£105.93	£27.00
OASIS ACADEMY MAYFIELD, SOUTHAMPTON	9am - 3pm	£117.70	£105.93	£27.00
TWYFORD SCHOOL, TWYFORD (15TH ONLY)	9am - 2.30pm	N/A	N/A	£27.00



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SCHOOLS**



coaching.southamptonfc.com

02380 711950

Solent Kestrels Basketball Camp:



Booking information can be found at: <https://www.solentkestrels.co.uk/camps>

making music

Saturday 27th January 2024
Performances at 11am & 2pm
Central Hall, Southampton

City of Southampton Orchestra Presents:

Peter and the Wolf

Conductor: John Traill
Narrator: Phil Cheesman

With the
New Forest School of Dance

Join us for our ever-popular family concert, which this year will include the classic piece "Peter And The Wolf" alongside a musical menagerie of other well-known favourites.

Come and meet **Bernie** the orchestra mascot!

Why not bring along your favourite teddy too?

Tickets available from Ticketsource
www.ticketsource.co.uk

£9 Adult
£5 Child (Under 1s: Free)
£26 Family (2 Adults & 2 Children)
www.csorchestra.org

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City of Southampton
Orchestra
celebrating 50 Years

Clubs running at Springhill in Spring Term 2024:

New year - new hobby! Would your child like to try Irish dancing?

We are delighted to bring this unique form of dance to Springhill as an after-school club on Mondays and Tuesdays. A fun and challenging class promoting traditional Irish culture through dance and music. The basic techniques are taught and the love of dance encouraged in a fun and energetic way. As dancers progress they can take part in public displays, competitions and school shows. A number of our after-school club dancers have gone on to compete at competitions around the UK. Fun, enjoyment, confidence and performing are promoted.

Register your child at:

charlotte@mcdonnellhaynesirishdance.co.uk.

Limited spaces available!



Irish dance club

 **Springhill Catholic
Primary School** 

**Mondays & Tuesdays
3.15pm - 4.15pm
SPACES AVAILABLE**

 **£6 per class payable termly in advance** 

Register at:
charlotte@mcdonnellhaynesirishdance.co.uk
07740 645665



Southampton FC:

Places at the Southampton FC spring term clubs can be booked via the link below. Places are first come , first served. If you have any questions please call our bookings team on 02380 711950

[https://coaching.southamptonfc.com/courses/courses.htm?
coursesSearch=search&startDate=&typeld=79&ageFrom=&ageTo=&schoolYearFrom=&schoolYearTo=&venueId=1667](https://coaching.southamptonfc.com/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&startDate=&typeld=79&ageFrom=&ageTo=&schoolYearFrom=&schoolYearTo=&venueId=1667)

The Performing Arts Academy:



Does your child love to Dance, Act and Perform?
THEATRE KIDZ ARE IN YOUR SCHOOL!

Our TPA Academy classes provide the most magical and exciting environment for children to develop their stage skills. From building confidence, to using their big loud voices and expressing themselves through our fun games, exercises and performance pieces.

We encourage every student to blossom in their own unique way and achieve things they never thought possible.

TPA
THE PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

TELEPHONE: 07930 980 038
EMAIL: INFO@TPAACADEMY.CO.UK
WEBSITE: WWW.TPAACADEMY.CO.UK

Dance and drama lessons:

Every Wednesday 3:15-5:30pm commencing **Wednesday 10th January 2024**

For children in Years 1-6

Register at: <https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/tpa>

Email: info@tpaacademy.co.uk



{JAM CODING}
COMPUTING WORKSHOPS

Springhill Catholic Primary School | KS 2

WEB & APP BUILDING
Afterschool Club

At Jam Coding, our goal is to help improve children's digital skills. This **Web and App Design** Workshop will show children how to design and create their own website. Working in teams, our web developers will have fun planning and constructing an engaging website and app based on a topic that they are interested in. Turning imagination into reality! At the end of the course, all children will receive a certificate and one team will receive a trophy!

DATES:
9/1/2024, 16/1/2024, 23/1/2024, 30/1/2024, 6/2/2024, 20/2/2024, 27/2/2024, 5/3/2024, 12/3/2024, 19/3/2024

TIME:
Running from 3:15PM - 4:15PM ON Tuesday!!

PRICE:
10 WEEKS OF FUN FOR JUST £75

BOOK HERE: <https://portal.jamcoding.franscape.io/class-overview/2433>

Click the link above to view course details OR visit our website and head to the booking tab. Enter your postcode in the locations field and click search to view courses. Then select the school or venue you require.
N.B. You can only attend courses held at the school that your child attends. You can also search by the school postcode.

For more information, contact your Area Manager on:
Mob: 07896339368 / 0238 0981151
Email: southampton@jamcoding.co.uk

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www.jamcoding.co.uk



Tennis Club running before school:

7:40-8:30am, starting 9th January 2024

Age group: Years 1 & 2

Bring along a water bottle and sportswear; rackets provided if needed.

Book at: <https://tennishampshire.com/book/coaching/9776?>

Tel: 02380 170725 Mobile: 07828631155

Information on clubs running at Springhill available on the school website at:

<https://www.springhillcatholic.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs&pid=56>

Week 2 Winter Menu

Weeks commencing: 6th Nov | 27th Nov | 1st Jan | 22nd Jan | 19th Feb | 11th Mar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Blue choice	 <p>Katsu chicken curry</p>	 <p>Beef Bolognese</p>	 <p>Vegan sausage roll</p>	 <p>Roast pork</p>	 <p>Salmon fishcakes</p>
Yellow choice	 <p>Veggie sausage</p>	 <p>Cheese & tomato pizza</p>	 <p>Tomato pasta</p>	 <p>Cheesy whirl</p>	 <p>Quorn nuggets</p>
Purple choice	 <p>Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans</p>	 <p>Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans</p>	 <p>Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans</p>	 <p>Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans</p>	 <p>Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans</p>
Dessert	Vanilla crunch	Banana & chocolate muffin	Winter honey cookie	Mini chocolate crispy with fruit wedges	Iced sponge



Head Teacher Award

Olivia L - Year 6
John - Year 6
Molly - Year 6
Adhitya - Year 6
Daniel M - Year 3
Clara - Year 3
Olivia - Year 2

Deputy Head Teacher Award

Oliwka - 6JP
Lena - 6JP

Teacher Award

FDH	Emilia	Ana
FEL	Jacob	Mia
FGS	Khloe	Emi
1DB	Mylah	Abigail
1SR	Olivia G	Simona
1NC	Jason	Vera
2EW	William	Ameya
2RL	Sissy	Kornel
2OD	Lorenzo	Cass
3CL	Grace N	Sofia
3DR	Grace	Olly
3MR	Sara	Daniel
4SW	Fiyin	Aoife
4BM	Lilly	Jakub
4JH	Orestis	Amelia
5EW	Andriya	Connor
5GM	David	Shriya
5LK	Constance	Hanna
6LP	Azeez	Olivia
6JS	Eleni	Jerome
6JP	John	Cyprian

Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates



Class	Name
FDH	Francisco
FEL	Rysha
FGS	Zuzia
1DB	Miracle
1SR	Phillip
1NC	Eric
2EW	Ava
2RL	Diana
2OD	Isadora
3CL	Ariah
3DR	Mason
3MR	Abel
4JH	Nathaniel
4SW	Rose
4BM	Zofia
5EW	Reuben
5GM	Aleksandra
5LK	Thomas
6LP	Bennett
6JS	Meadow
6JP	Olivia L

Springhill is a diverse community which we are proud of. If English is not your first language - you can copy and paste school emails and newsletters into google translate and they will be changed to your preferred language:
<https://translate.google.co.uk/>