2nd February 2024

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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 are entering our final week before half term and it marks the half way point through the academic year. We have many celebrations going on next week in between the children working hard in class.

Child Mental Health Week:

We are celebrating child mental health week with visits from farm animals and a dog from Pets for Therapy. We will also be chatting to children about mental health and how to keep mentally healthy. A huge thank you to Miss Palmer who has organised an amazing week for the children.

Lent – Pancakes and Ashes:

We also start our Lent celebrations next week as Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday are during the half term holiday. On Friday, children will take part in the palm burning liturgies and ash services and all children (dietary needs catered for) will have a pancake at lunchtime. Thanks in advance to Deacon Andy who is leading us in all of these liturgies.

The children have spoken about Lenten charities they would like to raise money for this year and we will be raising money for refugees through CAFOD and for a charity called CoCo's Foundation – where we will spend time beyond lent raising money to build a house for a family in need in Southern Africa. The children were very excited after a talk from the Charity owner last week.

Parent Survey:

Please see the next page in the newsletter for the second update from the parent survey.

Year Leaders - Weekly Email:

Each Friday, the year leaders will email Year 1-6 parents with a bit information about the upcoming week, what children will be learning in some subjects and any reminder messages. This will ensure all messages are communicated in 1 email from the year leaders and will be on a Friday. This will also help to improve information to parents about the curriculum.

Disco Thank You:

A huge thank you to our DJ – Mr Carvalho Da Silva who is a parent at our school, who is an amazing DJ. The children had an absolute blast at the discos (and I saw many a staff member dancing too). Thank you to all of our staff who gave up their Friday evening to help the children make wonderful memories.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ashworth Head Teacher

Winning house this week



Working together to improve attendance Target 97% and above

Year Group Summary: w/c : 29/01/2024

> Year F - 89.9% Year 1 - 98.92% Year 2 - 95.00% Year 3 - 94.02% Year 4 - 95.96% Year 5 - 96.42% Year 6 - 93.54%







Parent survey results continued:

91% of parents agreed or strongly agreed that the school makes them aware of what their child is learning. 92% of parents agreed, strongly agreed (or don't know), that when they have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly.

93% of parents agreed or strongly agreed that their child does well at Springhill.

A quote to share:

'Springhill has been an incredible school for both of our children - I feel the school pushes the children but in a supportive manner, which is important. I have friends that send their children to other schools and the onus on trying as hard as possible in all they do is not as prevalent...'

Even better if:

A few parents commented on 10 minute slots not being long enough for parents' evenings. I have contacted and spoken to lots of local schools who all offer between 8-10 minutes. No one has more than 10 minutes for a parents' evening slots. Staff have to see between 30 and 32 parents and 10 minutes is the correct time for most children. Teachers are always willing to meet with parents where there is need in-between parents' evenings.

INSET Days 2024-2025: Our INSET days for the next academic year are: Monday 2nd September 2024 Friday 25th October 2024 Friday 20th December 2024 Monday and Tuesday 21st and 22nd July 2025

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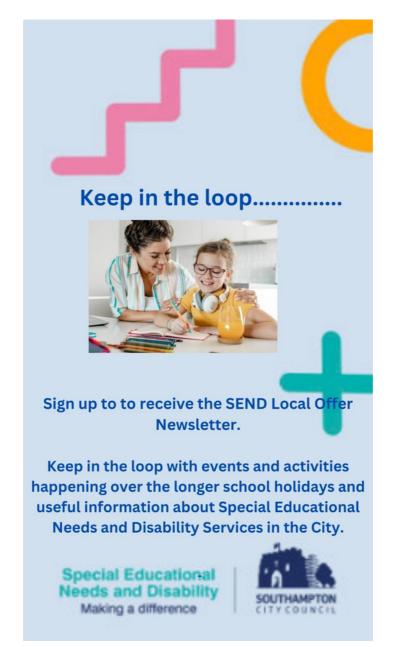


ELSA and Home Link Worker:

Please check the <u>ELSA</u> and <u>Home Link</u> pages on the school website for advice, support, resources and useful links.

This week on the ELSA page, there are some top tips on talking to your children about mental health, provided by the charity Place 2 Be, who are supporting next week's Children's Mental Health Week (5th - 11th February).

Both these pages will continue to be updated, so please do check back regularly.



Sign up directly to receive the SEND Local Offer Newsletter by clicking on the email subscription link



Sport News:

Congratulations to our three badminton teams who completed their league fixtures. Two of the teams have now qualified for Finals Night next week, with our third team agonisingly missing out on qualification by one point, losing only one of their five matches. Well played to all 14 players and good luck to our teams for next week.

Thirteen Year 4 girls (two teams) took part in a mini football tournament at Highfield C of E School this week with both teams playing some great football and having loads of fun. Well played girls! Thirteen Year 6s played against Bassett Green Primary School, losing 2-1 to a last minute winner but played extremely well. Well done boys!

Thank you to the twenty-seven children who attended the Matchday Experience at AFC Totton last Saturday. They had great fun with the coaching, food and drink, meeting the manager and players, as well as being shown around the ground. Totton drew 1-1 with Gosport Borough to maintain their place near the top of Southern League Premier South table. The next trip is booked for Saturday 23 March - more details will follow.

Thank you to those of you who have already submitted your entries to the Panini poster competition. A copy of the Panini Challenge is attached to this email. Please email your entries (FAO Mr Cowap) directly to the school or print off and pass your entry to Mr Cowap, by Wednesday 28th February. The winner will receive a £50 gift voucher and a football shirt of their choice. In addition, Springhill will win £2000! The first 40 entries received in school will receive a Panini Premier League, or a Barclays Women's Super League, album and two sticker packs. Good luck!







Diary Dates: 5th-11th February - Children's mental health week Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day Wednesday 7th February - Years 2, 5 and 6 NSPCC-led 'Speak Out, Stay Safe, workshops Thursday 8th February - St Bakhita Feast Day

Online Safety:

Fake Profiles and Cyberbullying

Setting up a profile impersonating somebody else with the intention of being unkind to others/to cause embarrassment to the individual is a form of cyberbullying. If your child has set up a fake profile, talk to them about how this is a form of bullying and therefore not acceptable.

It is important that we talk to our children about the issue of cyberbullying and let them know that if they are ever a victim of it then it is not their fault, and they should tell you (or a trusted adult) straightaway. Talk to your child about reporting and blocking tools on social media or online games and show them how to use them to report any form of bullying.



More information of cyberbullying is available on the following websites: Childline and NSPCC

Additionally, Report Harmful Content have listed how you can report impersonation accounts on the different social media networks <u>here</u>

Parent Webinars for Safer Internet Day

As part of Safer Internet Day a parent webinar, Cyber Choices for Parents & Carers, explaining the risks to young people of committing computer misuse offences is being run by SEROCU (South East Regional Organised Crime Unit).

The webinar will run three times throughout next week, at:

Tuesday 6th February 13:00-14:00pm Thursday 8th February 09:30-10:30am Thursday 8th February 20:00-21:00pm

Register in advance for the webinar: When: February 6, 2024 13:00pm: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_w4CZPn-5Sb6PmX5scPuFkA</u>

When: February 8, 2024 09:30am: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Tpd56MjvSs25i_nz5W8Vlg</u>

When: February 8, 20:00pm https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_guDQFW6TRBiOJWEga_g6qw





Head Teacher Award

Jason - Year 4 Amelia K - Year 6 Nadia - Year 6 Keira - Year 6 Amelia P - Year 6

Deputy Head Teacher Award

Aedline - 1SR Joao - 1DB

Teacher Award

FDH	Bhoomi	Emilia	
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FEL	Isabella	Dawid	
FGS	Leo	Mmasinachi	
1DB	Kacper	Rohan	
1SR	Olivia M	Aedline	
1NC	David	Vanessa	
2EW	Sarah	Anthony	
2RL	Ryan M	Isabella	
20D	Ozzy	Nicole	
3CL	Abigail	Natan	
3DR	Gerald	Grace	
3MR	Maya	Ome	
4SW	Chima	Jemima	
4BM	George	Samuelia	Michelle
4JH	Alex	Tommy	
5EW	Amelie	Julian	
5GM	Abbie	Lexi-May	
5LK	Connor	Natalie	
6LP	Mati	Emilina	
6JS	Ethel	Natasza	
6JP	Autumn	Freddie	





Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates

FDH	Arianna
FEL	Maja
FGS	Nelson
1DB	Mithra
1SR	Judah
1NC	Adam L
2EW	Hayden
2RL	Aaron
20D	Ebube
3CL	Amber
3DR	Giovanna
3MR	Marcela
4JH	Elia
4SW	Lochlann
4BM	George
5EW	Ethan
5GM	Evan
5LK	Derek
6LP	Molly
6JS	Nina
6JP	Olivier

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Blue choice	Rork sausages & gravy	New Dial Red Taxtor Meat BBQ chicken sub	Vegetarlan Mac free Wedendart Mac 'n' cheese	Reat Tractor Mat Roast chicken	Fish Fingers
Yellow choice	Vegen Diah Packed with goodness Tomato pasta	Vertexen Weteweit Pice Base Cheese & tomato pizza	Veen Met ree Webender Vegetable goujons	Vegetarian pasty	Sweet potato & lentil curry
Purple choice	Added Sear Bild Bor 2 Softwe 5-day Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans	Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans	Displate Fainary Tear Tear Eage Mayendas Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans	Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans	Ne Added Stear Bard Baser 25 of visor 5-astr Jacket potato with either cheese, tuna, baked beans
Dessert	Chocolate shortbread	Marbled sponge	Iced cookie	Mini flapjack with fruit wedges	Apple & cinnamon crumble with custard

Week 1 Winter Menu Weeks commencing: 30th Oct | 20th Nov | 11th Dec | 15th Jan | 5th Feb | 4th Mar | 25th Mar

Parents' Association:

Reminder:

Thursday 8th February, after school - Fat Thursday doughnut sale A copy of the PA newsletter is attached.

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Church News:

St Joseph's & St Edmund's

Candlemass - Friday 2nd February Mass at 7:00pm with blessing of candles **CAFOD Big Lent Walk** - Saturday 24th February, 11:00am-1:00pm, starting at St Edmund's Church. Join Father Vincent walking to raise money for CAFOD.

Weekly Newsletter available to view at: <u>https://www.southamptoncitycentrecatholics.org/newsletter</u>

Immaculate Conception Church

Repair shop - Saturday 17th February, 10:30am-1:00pm Weekly Newsletter available to view at: <u>https://www.immaculateconception.church/newsletter</u>

Next week at Re: Minds 5th - 9th February



Please email Info@reminds.org.uk to book your space at the clinics. You'll have at least 10 minutes in a private session, held virtually via Zoom

You do not need to book to attend Support Groups - Just turn up!

ReMinds.org.uk facebook.com/groups/ReMinds



With thanks to











Starting after half-term after school club:



To book visit www.superstarsportsuk.com 07772060840 We now have a brand new booking system that everyone will need to register with to book your place at any of our clubs. Click "Book Now" on our main home screen to begin.

Half-Term Activities

Solent Kestrels



ST. MARK'S C OF E SCHOOL - BOOK VIA COACHA - £15 PER SESSION



ST. MARK'S C OF E SCHOOL - BOOK VIA COACHA - £30 PER DAY



Irish Dance

February Half-Term



Irish Dance Workshop

Tuesday 13 February 10am-1pm £15.00 Freemantle & Shirley Community Centre, Randolph St, SO15 3HE

****Complete Beginners Welcome****

- . Learn new steps
- . Performing on a stage
- . Preparation for grade exams
- . Feis (competition) prep
- Irish dancing related games and arts and crafts

Email charlotte@mcdonnellhaynesirishdance.co.uk or text 07740 645665 to book your child's place