

Springhill Catholic Primary School

19th September 2025

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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,

I hope you have had a good week.

MUGA:

Our MUGA (multi-use games area) is currently being resurfaced. Unfortunately the weather has pushed back the timeline for the completion of this but we are hoping the final part of the project, spraying the new top, will be completed over the weekend. This project is an important part of our general site improvements and has been much needed. We can't wait to see it once it is done!

Rotary Club Christmas Shoebox Appeal:

Each year, we take part in the Christmas shoebox appeal. There are very particular things that should go in the shoebox and we have attached the leaflet which outlines these to the newsletter email (things such as a toothbrush, scarf, gloves, hat, colouring pens and books, hairbrush, toothpaste etc.). Children will be offered a shoebox to take home to complete this if they would like; if you'd prefer not to take part and your child brings home a shoebox, please do send the box back to us. Thank you.

Children and Mobile Phones:

This is a reminder that Springhill has never allowed mobile phones at school. We know some year 5/6 children who walk to and from school have one and these have to be put away before they reach the school gate and then handed in to their class teacher. We don't feel primary aged children require a phone and so we discourage children having them and bringing them to school.

EE mobile have launched a 'safer sim' that limits children's access to huge amounts of things if they have a phone. We recommend parents take a look at this when the time comes for the big step:

<https://ee.co.uk/mobile/safer-sims>

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: 15/09/2025

Year F - 99.26%
Year 1 - 96.76%
Year 2 - 97.30%
Year 3 - 99.03%
Year 4 - 97.65%
Year 5 - 97.57%
Year 6 - 96.22%



20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day...

- Will have a world of imagination & creativity opened to them
- Will be exposed to 1.8 million words a year
- Will have better general knowledge
- Will improve their critical thinking skills
- Will improve their communication skills
- Will have a broad vocabulary
- Will learn how to develop empathy
- Will improve their test results
- Will have reduced stress levels



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22nd- 26th September
Friday 26th September

Dates:

4MR Swimming daily
Parents' Association Uniform sale

Lunch Menu:

Week 2 Summer Menu - Weeks commencing: 28th April, 19th May, 16th June, 17th July, 1st and 22nd Sept, 13th Oct

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Blue choice | CHICKEN NUGGETS BRITISH CHICKEN Chicken nuggets and potato of the day | HANDMADE FLATBREAD RED TRACTOR MEAT Chicken meatballs in Spanish style sauce | SEASONAL SPECIAL CHEESY DELIGHT Bean and cheese quesadillas | ROAST OF THE DAY ROAST THURSDAY Roast of the day | FISHY FRIDAY! MSC APPROVED Fish fingers |
| Yellow choice | WHOLEMEAL PASTA HANDMADE SAUCE Quorn sausage and baked bean pasta | PIZZA TUESDAY WHOLEMEAL PIZZA BASE Cheese & tomato pizza | PLANET-POWER MEAT-FREE WEDNESDAY! Planet-Power Sausage roll | VEGETABLE PASTY WITH GUISO & VEGETABLES Quorn and vegetable pasty | NEW DISH EAT THE RAINBOW Rainbow pizza muffin |
| Purple choice | JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS FILLINGS OFFERED DAILY! Jacket potato with cheese, tuna, baked beans or coleslaw | JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS FILLINGS OFFERED DAILY! Jacket potato with cheese, tuna, baked beans or coleslaw | JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS FILLINGS OFFERED DAILY! Jacket potato with cheese, tuna, baked beans or coleslaw | JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS FILLINGS OFFERED DAILY! Jacket potato with cheese, tuna, baked beans or coleslaw | JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS FILLINGS OFFERED DAILY! Jacket potato with cheese, tuna, baked beans or coleslaw |
| Orange choice | PACKED LUNCH OPTION Cheese roll or half baguette | HAM BAGUETTE PACKED LUNCH OPTION Ham roll or half baguette | CHEESE BAGUETTE PACKED LUNCH OPTION Cheese roll or half baguette | PACKED LUNCH OPTION Tuna mayo roll or half baguette | CHEESE BAGUETTE PACKED LUNCH OPTION Cheese roll or half baguette |
| Dessert | Chocolate brownie Seasonal fruit or yoghurt | Melting 'oaty' moment Seasonal fruit or yoghurt | Mini fruity scone Seasonal fruit or yoghurt | Jelly, whip or custard pot Seasonal fruit or yoghurt | Iced sponge Seasonal fruit or yoghurt |

TTRS Results:

The Weekly Springhill TTRS Results!



Most Valuable Players:

| YG | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 3 | Luigi | Oli | Michal |
| 4 | Emmanuel | Diana | Sia |
| 5 | Kamso | Anderson | Abel |
| 6 | Alexander | Jason | Natalia |

Well done to all of the players above for working extremely hard.

Class vs Class:

| YG | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 3 | 3MD | 3NC | 3BM |
| 4 | 4MR | 4JW | 4SW |
| 5 | 5JP | 5LP | 5PA |
| 6 | 6LK | 6GA | 6JS |

Remember! 😊

The winning class from each year group will be the class with the most active players.





Online Safety:

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-ENABLED SCAMS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Artificial intelligence (AI) is quickly becoming a widely used tool, with lots of positive applications being discussed and developed. Sadly, however, as with most technology tools, there are those who will seek to use it for malicious and dishonest practices, with children and other vulnerable groups particularly at risk.

PHISHING EMAILS: BETTER & QUICKER

Phishing scams – emails designed to trick people into handing over login details or money – are not new, and do not rely on AI; however, AI has made them far more dangerous. Criminals can now generate highly convincing emails at speed, mimicking an organisation's tone, branding and language with ease. This makes phishing attempts harder to spot, especially for young people who may not yet know what to look out for.

ONLINE MARKETPLACE FRAUD

Online marketplaces are now a common way to buy and sell everything, from second-hand clothes to cars. Criminals are exploiting this by using AI to enhance or completely fake product photos and videos, and pressure buyers into paying deposits or full amounts upfront. These tactics are becoming more advanced, making it vital to pause, check, and verify the sale before parting with any money.

VOICE IMPERSONATION

AI can now realistically impersonate a person's voice when given a small sample of someone's speech patterns. This is especially concerning where voice has been enabled as an alternative to password-based logins. One such example was the use of AI deepfake audio as part of a fake kidnapping scam: the criminals used an AI voice clone of a 15-year-old to convince her parents she had been kidnapped and elicit a ransom.

EMPLOYMENT SCAMS

Using AI, criminals can create fake online profiles that seem completely real. These synthetic identities can chat with young people about fake job offers, asking for money to secure a visa or paperwork. In 2025, The Guardian reported a scam targeting young people with promises of quick cash, posing as TikTok staff.

INFLUENCER & INVESTMENT SCAMS

AI tools now make it easy to manipulate video and audio, with technology available that can generate entirely fake content using the likeness of celebrities or influencers. Criminals are using this to create convincing videos of well-known figures promoting fake products or services, which young people can be particularly susceptible to. Cryptocurrency scams are a common tactic, luring people into investing in schemes that do not exist. Once payment is made, the criminal simply disappears with the money.

ROMANCE SCAMS & SEXTORTION

AI chat bots can now mimic real conversations, often accompanied with realistic fake photos and videos, which makes it easier for criminals to build trust with young people – among other things, this can lead to fraud or sextortion. In 2024, the NCA's CEOP Safety Centre received 380 reports of sextortion. Alarmingly, in the first five months alone, police received an average of 117 monthly reports involving under-18s, showing how serious and targeted this threat has become.

Advice for Parents & Educators

THINK CRITICALLY

The key to addressing the increasing growth of AI-enabled scams is to think critically and show caution. Inform children that if something is too good to be true, then it probably is. Encourage them to stop and carefully consider what they are seeing and reading before taking any action. For example, if a social media post expresses urgency, proceed with caution; if content seems unusual, even from a known person, it may be that their account has been hacked.

USE TRUSTWORTHY SITES AND SERVICES

Online marketplaces are useful when buying and selling items; however, where possible, encourage children to use reputable companies and their online shopping sites. These companies are likely to have more sophisticated cyber-security safeguards in place, underpinned by consumer legislation, enabling them to control how products and services are displayed and traded on their sites.

SEEK TO VERIFY

Criminals may breach an influencer's account or spread misinformation and fake content; however, their approach will generally be limited to a single account, site or service. Where possible, show children how to verify information to check its legitimacy before proceeding. Small actions, such as phoning the person who is the subject of a suspicious email, or checking content via an individual or company website or social media sites can make the difference. The greater the risk, the more effort we should expend to confirm whether the information presented is true or false.

REPORT IT

As the sophistication of scams increases, the likelihood of being tricked by them also increases, especially when not paying attention or acting quickly. It is important that young people know how to report incidents as they happen. Show children how to report their concerns to the social media site, Action Fraud, banks, and other individuals or organisations linked or involved. If you are unsure of the most effective reporting channel, contact Action Fraud.

Meet Our Expert

Gary Henderson is the Director of IT at Millfield, a large independent boarding school in Somerset, as well as a member of the Digital Futures Group, Vice Chair of the ISC Digital Advisory Group and an Association of Network Managers in Education (ANME) Ambassador.



The National College®



Deputy Head Teacher Award

Tiana - 3MD

Aoife - 6GA

Teacher Award

| | | | |
|-----|------------|-------------|--------|
| FEG | Naomi | Marianne | |
| FDH | Aradhya | Harmanpreet | |
| FCL | Reiya | Oskar | |
| 1DB | Ella | Jose | |
| 1SL | Joe | Aster | |
| 1KG | Charlotte | Aaron | |
| 2JH | Anna Maria | Abigail | |
| 2LW | Ivo | Annmaria | |
| 2EW | Thomas | Harry | |
| 3BM | Heidi | Esther | Thomas |
| 3MD | Zosia | Hayley | |
| 3NC | Eddie | Pola | |
| 4SW | Amelie | Christo | |
| 4MR | Evan | Hayden | |
| 4JW | Charlie | Sia | |
| 5LP | Rose | Isabella S | |
| 5JP | Pawel | Estelle | |
| 5PA | Sam | Kiera | |
| 6JS | Eddie | Rico | |
| 6GA | Jason | Alex | |
| 6LK | Harvey | Helen | |



Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates

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|-----|----------|
| FDH | Nel |
| FCL | Jayden A |
| FEG | Noah |
| 1DB | Emmanuel |
| 1SL | Joshua |
| 1KG | Ezekiel |
| 2EW | Nelson |
| 2LW | Nathania |
| 2JH | Naina |
| 3NC | Mia |
| 3MD | Adam |
| 3BM | Jade |
| 4MR | Denis |
| 4SW | Rhianna |
| 4JW | Yasmine |
| 5LP | Shelby |
| 5JP | Maya K |
| 5PA | Ruby |
| 6JS | Ala |
| 6GA | Victor |
| 6LK | Tinaye |

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Parents' Association:

Reminder: PA Annual General Meeting — Join Us!

Thank You for Your Uniform Donations!

A big thank-you to all the parents who donated school uniforms last week. Your generosity helps make uniforms more affordable for families and supports our commitment to sustainability. We truly appreciate your continued support!

Reminder: PA Annual General Meeting — Join Us!

The Parents' Association Annual General Meeting is coming up:

Date: Wednesday 1st October

Location: Springhill school Staff Room

Time: 7:30pm

AGENDA

Ordinary Business

- 1] Apologies for absence
- 2] Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10/10/2024
- 3] Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4] Chair's Report for 2024/2025
- 5] Treasurer's Report for the year ending August 2025
- 6] Appointment of an Independent Examiner of Accounts for the year ending August 2025
- 7] Election of Officers and Trustees of the Committee

Chair / Co-Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Marketing & Comms coordinator

Sponsorship coordinator

Events coordinator

Special Business

- 8] Adoption of new constitution

Any Other Business

- 9] Other business

Come along to:

- Meet fellow parents.
- Learn more about what the PA does.
- Explore ways to get involved — new members are always welcome!

...and don't forget our uniform sale on Friday 26th September

Springhill Parents' and Friends' Association

C/o Springhill Catholic Primary School

Milton Road

Southampton

SO15 2HW

Registered Charity Number 1147247.

Raise funds with shopping:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/springhillcatholic/>

UNIFORM

S A L E



Friday 26th September
Daffodil playground after school

Cash and cards accepted!

Springhill Parents and Friends Association. Charity number 1147247.

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Polish Club:

Polish After-School Club for children in years 1-6 in the Autumn term

YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP YOUR CHILD!

It has been a joy to see so many children with Polish as their home language joining our Polish Club in years 1 to 6! At the club, children have an opportunity to develop their Polish language skills further and learn about the Polish culture through fun educational activities.

You can still sign up your child for the Polish Club for the the Autumn term, by contacting the teachers:

a.wojcikpolishclub@gmail.com (years 1-3)

ewelina.j.zalewska@gmail.com (years 4-6)

The price is £7 per child per session and payment is made half-termly in advance.

For more information, please see the posters below (in English and in Polish).

Polski Klub – rok szkolny 2025-26

Zapraszamy do zapisywania dzieci do Polskiego Klubu na semester Autumn 1.

Zajęcia dla dzieci w klasach 1- 6 będą się odbywać w piątki po szkole w godzinach 15.15-16.15 w 2 grupach:

Młodsza Grupa (klasy 1,2 i 3)

Nauczyciel: Agnieszka Wjcik

Kontakt: a.wojcikpolishclub@gmail.com

Starsza Grupa (klasy 4, 5 i 6)

Nauczyciel: Ewelina Zalewska

Kontakt: ewelina.j.zalewska@gmail.com

W celu zapisania dziecka, prosimy o kontakt z nauczycielem.

Zajęcia rozpoczynają się w **piątek 12 września 2025.**

Cena: £7 za godzinę zajęć za 1 dziecko, płatne z góry za half term. Szczegóły u nauczycielek.



Polish Club – Academic Year 2025-26

It is still possible to sign up your child for the Polish Club in Autumn 1. The club is designed for children whose first language is Polish.

It will continue to take place on Fridays 3.15pm to 4.15 pm, in 2 groups:

Younger Group (years 1,2 and 3)

Teacher: Agnieszka Wojcik

Contact: a.wojcikpolishclub@gmail.com

Older Group (years 4, 5 and 6)

Teacher: Ewelina Zalewska

Contact: ewelina.j.zalewska@gmail.com

Please contact the relevant teacher to sign up.


The first session will take place on **Friday 12th September 2025.**

Cost: £7 per session per child, paid upfront for the half term. For details, please contact the teachers.








After school club at Springhill:

LET'S WORK TOGETHER 
BUILDING COMMUNITIES

**SPRING HILL
AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB SCHEDULE**
TERM: AUTUMN 2025/2026





| DAY | SESSIONS | TIME |
|------------|---|--------------------|
| MON |  L.W.T. COOKING & NUTRITION | 15:15-17:15 |
| WED |  L.W.T. FUN FITNESS | 15:15-16:45 |

BOOK SESSIONS



SCAN QR CODE

CONTACT US

-  letsworktogether-bc.co.uk
-  www.letsworktogether-bc.co.uk
-  Let's Work Together Building Communities
-  LWT_BC

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Secondary School Open Days:

SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Open Evening

THURSDAY
2ND OCTOBER 2025
5PM - 8PM

Ofsted
Outstanding
Provider



Bitterne Park School Open Evening
Thursday 18th September from 4:30pm to 7pm
accessed via Main Reception (there is no need to sign up).

Year 6 Activities Morning
Saturday 27th September
8.45am - 12pm

For Year 6 pupils who would like to meet some of our teachers and try fun activities at The Gregg School. Choose your favourite combination of activities when you book.

THE GREGG

Visit our Open Evening
Thursday 9th October
4.30pm-7pm

Headteacher's welcome • Meet the teachers
Explore the buildings and grounds
Refreshments • Classroom activities

Book now via our website www.thegreggschool.org/open-events

KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL

See King Edward's through their eyes at our next Open Evening

Come and take a closer look at life at KES.
Experience the curiosity, character and spirit that make KES truly unique.

Friday 3 October 2025
6.00pm - 8.30pm

To find out more about our school please visit: kes.school

Book Your Place Now



Superstar Sports Half-term Holiday Course :

OCTOBER HALF TERM

HOLIDAY COURSES

FOOTBALL, MULTI-SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, GYMNASTICS,
INFLATABLES, CRAFTS AND MUCH MORE!

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING A PACKED LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE &
COAT



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|---------------------|---|
| VENUE | SPRINGHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL |
| DATES | 27TH OCTOBER - 31ST OCTOBER |
| AGES | 4 - 12 YEAR OLDS |
| PRICE | £20 PER DAY |
| TIME | 9 AM - 3 PM |
| OUT OF HOURS | 8-9 AM £6 (BREAKFAST INCLUDED) 3-4.30 PM £6 |

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CHILDCARE &
CHILDCARE
VOUCHERS
ACCEPTED



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Clubs outside school:

Wicketz Club

Starting Monday 15th September

Booking Link: <https://app.upshot.org.uk/signup/97a53639/8d9d227c8f81c6a4/>

WICKETZ

Shirley

**FREE SOFTBALL CRICKET
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 8-19**

Under 11 • Wednesday 6-7pm
Under 15 • Monday 6-7pm

TERM TIME ONLY
ST MARK'S CofE SCHOOL, SO15 5TE
(ACCESS VIA MALMESBURY PLACE)

To register and for more information, please contact Dani Ransley:
danielle.ransley@utilitabowl.com | 07880724768




LET'S WORK TOGETHER
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WEEKEND CLUB SCHEDULE
TERM: AUTUMN 2025/2026

| DAY | SESSIONS & VENUES | TIME |
|------------|---|-------------|
| SAT | TOT'S FUN FOOTBALL SHAKESPEARE JUNIOR SCHOOL, EASTLEIGH | 09:30-10:10 |
| | CCYFC YOUNG STARS FOOTBALL SHAKESPEARE JUNIOR SCHOOL, EASTLEIGH | 10:30-11:30 |
| | MCDONALD'S FUN FOOTBALL REGENTS PARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SOUTHAMPTON | 10:00-12:00 |
| | MCDONALD'S FUN FOOTBALL SHAKESPEARE JUNIOR SCHOOL, EASTLEIGH | 10:00-12:00 |

BOOK SESSIONS



QR CODE

CONTACT US

- letsworktogether-bc.co.uk
- www.letsworktogether-bc.co.uk
- Let's Work Together Building Communities
- LWT_BC

Trial sessions are available.
Create or login to your class for kids account to register your child's space.
For McDonald's Fun Football book via Club Spark <https://mcdonaldsfunfootball.co.uk/funfootball/>



Clubs outside school:

2025/2026 SEASON

NS 1980
GOLDEN COMMON
Y.F.C.

PLAYERS WANTED

COLDEN COMMON YOUTH FC

(BOYS) U7, U8, U9 & 10S
(GIRLS) U7, U8, U11 & 12S

Training - Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evening's 5:30-7pm Eastleigh & Southampton

Matches - Boys on Sunday, playing in the Eastleigh & District Mini Soccer League (EDMSL)

Girls on Saturday, playing in the Hampshire Girl's Youth Football League (HGYFL)

Qualified coaches supporting children's football development in a fun environment

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS ON PRE-SEASON TRAINING, EMAIL COACH LEON
LEON@LETSWORKTOGETHER-BC.CO.UK

JOIN OUR GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAMS!

Let's Work Together (L.W.T) in association with Colden Common Youth Football Club are looking for girls aged between 5-12 years to join our teams from U7 - U13 in the 25/26 Hampshire Girls Youth Football League (HGYFL)

Training in Southampton & Eastleigh
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

For further information please contact us
EMAIL: HELLO@LETSWORKTOGETHER-BC.CO.UK

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BUILDING COMMUNITIES

BOOK A FREE TRIAL SESSION VIA QR CODE

Re:Minds

Next week at Re:Minds...

22nd - 26th September 2025

Evening Advice Clinic

Wednesday 24th September 6pm

Book a 10 minute, private, virtual Zoom appointment to speak with a clinician about any issues CAMHS deal with

The clinic is led by the Southampton Specialist CAMHS Service and is open to ALL members of Re:Minds for general advice

Email info@reminds.org.uk to book

Please email info@reminds.org.uk to book your space at the clinic



with thanks to

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Church News:



St Joseph's & St Edmund's



Jubilee Year 2025

St. Edmund's Church has been chosen to be one of six shrine churches that will be particular places of pilgrimage, as well as places for the granting of the indulgence in the Year of Jubilee 2025.

Our Lady of the Rosary of La Navál de Manila

Next month, during the Month of the Holy Rosary (October), a special devotional initiative will take place at the side altar of Our Lady in St Edmund's Church. A petition book will be available for parishioners to write their personal intentions to Our Lady of the Rosary of La Navál de Manila to be sent to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Navál in Quezon City, where Dominican brothers and religious will offer prayers for all the intentions submitted.

St Francis of Assisi

Saturday 4th October 2025, 11am Mass at St Edmund's Church - you are invited to join in the international celebrations of the Cantic of the Creatures.

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

Immaculate Conception Church



VACANCY

Parish Administrator - Immaculate Conception Church, 20-25 hrs per week

Please see the Parish newsletter for further information on the vacancy and details of regular weekly activities in the Parish.

Weekly newsletter available to view at: <https://www.immaculateconception.church/newsletter>

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/>