

Springhill Catholic Primary School

12th December 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,

One more short week to go and then the Christmas holidays begin.

Nativities and Carol Concert:

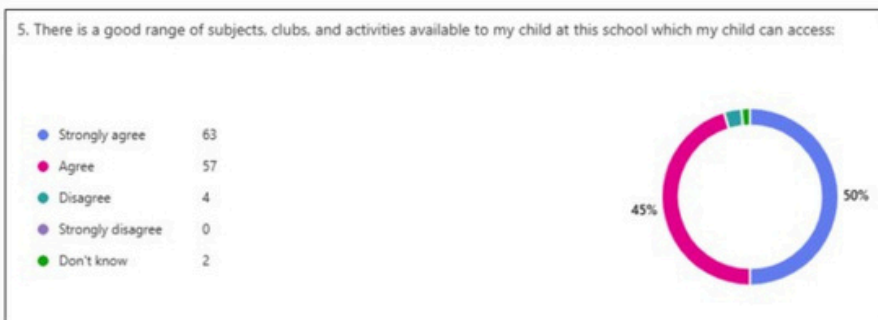
The nativities and carol concert have been absolutely beautiful this week. A huge thanks to our staff who work hard to ensure these are fabulous. Thank you to the children for all their hard work and learning their lines and to the parents for attending and joining us. Such special memories made.

INSET Day:

This is a reminder that next Friday is an INSET day and the school will be closed to children. Thursday is the children's last day before the holidays begin and the school day finishes as normal at 3:15pm.

Parent Survey:

Please see below the next two questions and responses from the recent parent survey. We are again pleased with the results. Parents mentioned in the comments section that they would like some more clubs that include foundation stage so we will look into this.



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: 08/12/2025



Year F - 97.67%
Year 1 - 95.81%
Year 2 - 96.68%
Year 3 - 98.24%
Year 4 - 97.59%
Year 5 - 97.20%
Year 6 - 96.81%

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 have reduced stress levels
- Will learn how to develop empathy
- Will improve their test results



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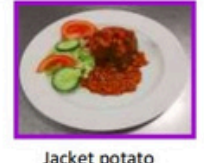





Thursday 18th December – Last day of term and Christmas Dress Down Day

Friday 19th December - INSET day - school CLOSED to children

Lunch Menu:

On Wednesday 17th December the kitchen will be serving a special Christmas Lunch:

	Monday	Tuesday	Christmas Lunch	Thursday
Blue choice	 Chicken nuggets and potato	 Beef Bolognese & garlic bread finger		 Fish fingers with chips
Yellow Choice	 Tikka time with rice	 Cheese & tomato pizza with potato		 Cheesy bean smash with chips
Purple Choice	 Jacket potato with a choice of cheese or baked beans filling	 Jacket potato with a choice of cheese or baked beans filling		 Jacket potato with choice of filling
Orange choice (Hot picnic)	 Fish finger wrap	 Chicken meatballs in tomato sauce baguette		 Garden goujons wrap
Dessert	Ice cream	Iced brownie		Sprinkle sponge

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Sport News:

Congratulations to Shelby (5LP) who, after impressing the Saints coaches who attend our school every lunchtime with her football skills, was offered a trial on their Development Programme. She has now been offered a place on their next stage and to continue training with them.

'I was shocked when my nan told me! I love football and my favourite player is Chloe Kelly.'

Well done Shelby!

Well done to Izabella who recently competed in a local gymnastics competition where she obtained passes for Badge 7 and 8.

'I train once a week for two hours each time. I love gymnastics and have been doing it for a couple of years.'

Congratulations to you, Izabella.

Our U11 girls' football team fought back from 2-0, and then 3-1, down to equalise (3-3) with the very last kick of normal time against Westgate Primary in the County Cup Plate competition. Extra time passed before they agonisingly lost on penalties. Well played, girls!

Today, twelve Year 3 and 4 children took part in a basketball festival where they practised, and improved on, their dribbling, passing, shooting and movement skills.

The Weekly Springhill TTRS Results!



Most Valuable Players:

YG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
3	Luigi	Yanal	Oli
4	Oskar	Emmanuel	Ronnel
5	Rylan	Anderson	Kamso
6	Ioan	Nayla	Khye

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	4JW	4SW	4MR
5	5PA	5LP	5JP
6	6JS	6GA	6LK

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

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION 13+

With over 900 million active monthly users and billions of 'Snaps' sent each month, Snapchat is a popular messaging app among children and young people. It allows users to share fun, spontaneous pictures and videos with friends and family while using playful filters. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures, videos and messages are only viewable for a short period of time.

SNAP STREAK 97

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Snapchat's use of artificial intelligence (AI) includes features like the 'My AI' chatbot and AI-powered filters, offering interactive experiences that can be fun but also pose risks. These tools may share unfiltered or inaccurate responses, promote unrealistic beauty standards, and collect personal data. Advanced filters and deepfake-style lenses can distort reality, potentially leading to manipulation, impersonation, or inappropriate content.

SCREEN ADDICTION

Snapchat boosts user engagement and daily use with features like streaks (daily Snapchat exchanges between you and a friend). When a streak's been going for a few days, users will see a 🍌 emoji. The number alongside it shows the number of days, but if users miss a day and break the streak, the only way to restore it is to pay. This encourages daily use habits, and frequent notifications can keep users returning to the app even more often.

SEXTORTION

Because Snapchat's disappearing messages feature may foster a sense of safety, users may become targets of sextortion. For example, a predator may pressure someone into sending nude images, then somehow capture those images to threaten and intimidate the victim. This might involve claiming they will share the images with friends or family unless money is paid.

SNAPCHAT+

Snapchat+ is the platform's premium subscription service, offering early access to new and exclusive features. In June 2025, Snapchat introduced a new tier called Lens+, giving subscribers access to hundreds of lenses and AR experiences for playing, creating, and sharing Snaps. These paid features may encourage young users to spend money to access exclusive content, increasing the risk of overspending or feeling pressured to make in-app purchases.

ACCESSIBILITY

Snapchat is now accessible from a web browser, meaning children can use it on a laptop or tablet without downloading the app. This can make activity harder to monitor, reduce the effectiveness of parental controls, and increase the risk of unsupervised communication or exposure to inappropriate content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's disappearing messages feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ACCESS THE SNAPCHAT FAMILY SAFETY HUB

Created with guidance from Common Sense Media, Snapchat has developed a Family Safety Hub that explains how the app works and how to use its in-app protections for teens. It's recommended that you review this guidance before allowing a child to download Snapchat. Remember, the app is only intended for children aged 13 and over.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger connects with a child on Snapchat and makes them feel uncomfortable by pressuring them to send or receive unwanted or inappropriate images, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile to report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user, with a tailored reporting section under the 'Nudity and Sexual Content' category. In this category, there's the option to report somebody for threatening to leak sexually explicit images, or 'nudes'.

USE PRIVACY SETTINGS TOGETHER

Sit down with the children in your care and explore Snapchat's privacy settings as a shared activity. You can help them adjust who can contact them, view their stories, or see their location on Snap Map. It's a good opportunity to explain why some settings are safer than others, reinforcing their understanding of online boundaries. Encourage them to regularly review these settings, especially after app updates or changes in their friendship groups.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/snapchat>



Head Teacher Award

Sophie - Year 5
Yasmine - Year 4
Pola - Year 4

Deputy Head Teacher Award

Grace - 1SL
Ellise - FDH

Assistant Head Teacher Award

Kamso - Year 5

Teacher Award

FEG	Wiktorja	Oliver		
FDH	Harmanpreet	Iza		
FCL	Frankie	Angel	Kenji	Jayden A
1DB	Beatriz	Nivansh		
1KG	Emily	Anastasia		
1SL	Grace	Aster		
2JH	Alioth	Dawid		
2LW	Ettie	Arianna		
2EW	Junior	Kayon		
3BM	Martin	Michael		
3MD	Sophia	Anton		
3NC	Noah	Eddie		
4SW	Laura	Isabella		
4MR	Hayden	Denis		
4JW	Ronel	Mason		
5LP	Maya	Christabel		
5JP	Maya K	Sophie M		
5PA	Ben	Jan		
6JS	Rico	Stefanos		
6GA	Jason	Chelsea		
6LK	Nathaniel	Patrik		



Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates

FEG	Oscar E
FDH	Juno
FCL	Muna
1DB	Lara
1KG	Jayden
1SL	Luis
2EW	Alessia
2LW	Annmaria
2JH	Spiro
3NC	Oluchi
3MD	Hayley
3BM	Irene
4MR	Anthony
4SW	Trinabh
4JW	Sia
5LP	Nikolai
5JP	Maya O
5PA	Ella
6JS	Daniel
6GA	Alexander
6LK	Nayla

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Parents' Association:

🎄 ✨ Christmas Raffle Reminder! ✨ 🎄

Please make sure ALL sold and unsold tickets are returned to school as soon as possible. The raffle draw will take place on Tuesday, 16th December—don't miss your chance to win one of our amazing festive hampers!

Great prizes to be won!

**SPRINGHILL PA
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

**BE
A WINNER!**

**All Sold and Unsold
Raffle Tickets
must be returned
As Soon As Possible**

**Raffle will be Drawn on
Tuesday 16th Dec 2025**

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/>



Superstar Sports Christmas Holiday Course at Springhill:

CHRISTMAS CRACKER

HOLIDAY COURSES

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

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

10% SIBLING DISCOUNT	VENUE	SPRINGHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL	
	DATES	19 TH , 22 ND , 23 RD DECEMBER & 2 ND JANUARY	
	AGES	4 - 12 YEAR OLDS (YEAR R+)	
	PRICE	£20 PER DAY	FREE HAF FUNDING AVAILABLE
	TIME	9 AM - 3 PM	
	OUT OF HOURS	8-9 AM £6 (BREAKFAST INCLUDED) 3-4.30PM £6	

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Polish After school club at Springhill - Spring Term:

Polski Klub – Spring Term

Zapraszamy do zapisywania dzieci do Polskiego Klubu na semester Spring 1 – są wciąż wolne miejsca!

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

Młodsza Grupa (klasy 1,2 i 3)

Nauczyciel: Agnieszka Wojcik

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 rozpoczną się w **piątek 9 stycznia 2026**.

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



Polish Club – Spring Term

It is still possible to sign up your child for the Polish Club for Spring 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 9th January 2026**.

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



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After school Cooking club and Fun Fitness at Springhill:

BOOK VIA
QR CODE

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WORKSHOPS

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Booking link:

<https://l-w-t.classforkids.io/cms/schedule>

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TOGETHER

SPRING HILL
AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB SCHEDULE

BUILDING COMMUNITIES TERM: SPRING 1 (5TH JANUARY - 11TH FEBRUARY)

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

BOOK SESSIONS

SCAN QR CODE

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Website address::

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Saints Soccer School:

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 2025 AND FEBRUARY HALF-TERM 2026

Sign your 5-13 year old up for our Soccer Schools this Christmas Holiday and February Half-Term

Your child will take part in training sessions, matches, and mini-tournaments/competitions, learning from our experienced, FA/UEFA-qualified, and DBS-checked coaches.

We're also offering your youngster the incredible opportunity to play at the Southampton FC Training Ground as part of our Staplewood Soccer Schools.

Christmas Soccer Schools

VENUE	TIME	DAY PASS	22 DEC	23 DEC	29 DEC	30 DEC	02 JAN
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
KINGS SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 5PM	£34.30	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
WINCHESTER CITY, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗

February Soccer Schools

VENUE	TIME	DAY PASS	FULL COURSE	MEMBER PRICE
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY (GIRLS ONLY MON & TUES)	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£55.00	£49.50
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 5PM	£34.30	£159.50	£143.75
SFC TRAINING GROUND, MARCHWOOD	9AM - 3PM	£49.50	N/A	N/A

Please visit our website for more information

SCAN QR CODE TO BOOK SOCCER SCHOOLS

OR VISIT: <https://www.southamptonfc.com/en/christmas-holiday-and-february-half-term-soccer-schools>





CHRISTMAS
WOODLAND
HOLIDAY CLUB

A WILD CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE AWAITS OUTDOORS

Step into a festive world of outdoor fun at our Ofsted-registered Forest School Christmas Holiday Club! Designed for children aged 5-11 (Year 1 and up), this holiday experience blends winter magic with woodland adventure.

Build cosy shelters, enjoy seasonal campfire cooking, create Christmas-themed woodland art, play festive forest games, explore wintry habitats, and take part in nature walks. Join us for a Christmas holiday filled with adventure, learning, fresh air, and plenty of festive cheer!

Sign up and book your space through the QR Code →

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd December - 8:30am-4pm

Outdoor Learning Centre, Bishopstoke Road, Eastleigh



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PRESCHOOLS & CHILDCARE **PREVENTION** **TARGETED** **PROGRESSION** **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

Christmas Woodland Holiday Club - Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd December 2025.

**For children aged 5 (year 1) - 11
Based at Outdoor Learning Centre.**

Children will get the opportunity to build cosy shelters, enjoy seasonal campfire cooking, create Christmas-themed woodland art, play festive forest games, explore wintry habitats, and take part in nature walks. Join us for a Christmas holiday filled with adventure, learning, fresh air, and plenty of festive cheer!

Booking can be made here:

<https://bookwhen.com/bonnieyo>

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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.

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

Advent 2025 Mass Schedule

The Parish of St Joseph's and St Edmund's warmly invite you and your families to join us for the Christmas and New Year liturgies. May this holy season bring you peace, joy, and renewed hope. We look forward to celebrating Christmas with you.

Penitential Liturgy Monday, December 22nd at 7pm St Edmund's

The Nativity of the Lord (Vigil), Wednesday, December 24th
St Edmund's 4pm, 6pm & 8pm
St Joseph's 9pm

The Nativity of the Lord, Thursday, December 25th
Midnight Mass at St Edmund's
St Edmund's 9am & 11am
St Joseph's 10am

Feast of St Stephen the First Martyr, Friday, December 26th
St Edmund's 11am

As St Stephen is the Patron Saint of Altar Servers we encourage all our servers to attend the 11am Mass. The Mass will involve enrolment into the Guild of St Stephen. There will also be a 7pm Mass as scheduled.

New Year's Eve, Wednesday, December 31st
7pm & 11:30pm in St Edmund's

New Year's Day, Thursday, January 1st
11am and 7pm in St Edmund's

Immaculate Conception Church



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/>