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A message from Miss Julian

As the nights are drawing in and it is getting darker, please can children stop bringing their bikes/scooters to school **after October half term**. That way we can ensure that the children are all safe on their way to and from school in the dark. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee afternoon

Mrs. Parker was very pleased with this event and with the sale of cakes, teas, coffees and a raffle, we managed to raise £220 for Macmillan. Thank you so much for your support with this.



Reading award

Tigers class won Mr. Hoots last week for their reading at home.
Well done, Tigers!



Accessing the newsletter online

Did you know that you can now access our newsletter via the school website? – see the link here [Latest News - Springfield Junior School](#)

Zoo2u visit for Year 3 and Jaguars' science

Year 3 and Jaguars met Tojo, a Tenrec from Madagascar; Curly, a Giant Millipede; Bo a Barn Owl; Willow the skunk and Babe a Western Hog-nose snake.

The children found out lots of information about the animals including whether they had exo- or endo-skeletons; what foods they ate- and what eats them and what their habitats were like. We learnt interesting facts about the animals such as the tiny tenrec (which looks like a hedgehog) is actually related to an elephant and the hog-nosed snake can pretend to be dead to keep predators away. We were also quite relieved to hear the Skunk only sprays when it thinks its life is in danger, which is just as well as it can be smelt over a mile away when it does.

The children were very interested, asked lots of really good questions and got to stroke each animal, which was an amazing experience.

Thanks Zoo2U, we had a fantastic morning.



Harvest Festival

The children have been learning some Harvest songs and we are planning to hold a Harvest assembly (in school only) to give thanks for what we have. This year we are supporting the local churches and their food bank and ask that if anyone is able to offer donations of tinned goods, dried products etc. then they can start to bring them in next week.



Diary Dates



Upcoming events

Important DAYS for academic Year 2022/23

Tuesday 11th October – Yr. 3 Science trip to Rosliston Forest

Wed 12 and Thursday 13 October – Yr. 5 Residential to Ilam Hall

Thursday 20 October – School closes for Oct half term

Friday 21 October - INSET Day (3) – school closed to children

Monday 31 October – Children return to school.

Tuesday 1 November – Parent's evening (1)PM

Thursday 3 November – Parent's evening (2)PM

Friday 18 November – Children in Need – School council are organising this and more details will be sent out nearer the time

Wednesday 14 December – Year 3 Christmas nativity (time in the afternoon but to be confirmed)

Friday 16 December – Christmas jumper day, Christmas crafts (parents invited in for this - AM) and Carol concert (in PM). More details nearer the time

Thursday 22 December – School closes for Christmas break

2023

Monday 9th January 2023 – Start of Spring term and children return to school

Friday 17th February – School closes for half term

Monday 27 February – INSET (day 4) school closed for children

Tuesday 28 February - School re opens for everyone

Friday 31 March – School closes for Easter Holiday

Monday 17 April – school reopens for everyone

Friday 26 May - school closes for May half term

Monday 5 June – School reopens for everyone

Monday 26 June – INSET 95) school closed for everyone

Friday 21 July – school closes for summer holiday

Please make sure you make a note of these important dates moving forward

Viking experience

Year 4 were visited by a Viking last week who introduced them to Viking weapons, armour and how to defend themselves with a shield. They even took part in an invasion and raid!

The children had a go at making a shield wall formation and studied Viking artefacts. Mr. Shipton and Mrs. Ambrose were very impressed with their answers to the questions asked by the Viking visitor.

It was a fun learning experience, and the children loved it and Year 4 can't wait to find out more about their History unit!



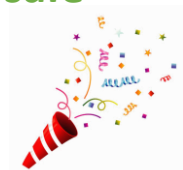
Parent consultation evenings

Letters will be coming home today regarding the Parent Consultation evenings. You can choose if you want a face to face or telephone consultation. These will take place on Tuesday 1 November and Thursday 3 November. Please return your reply slips so that the teachers can start to make appointments.

Achievement Award for demonstrating being ready, respectful and safe

Week ending 30 September

Orangutans – Kody K
 Polar Bears - Willow
 Gorillas – Darcy
 Tigers – Julia
 Penguins – Christine
 Snow leopards – Ollie K
 Elephants –Tayzon
 Pandas –Evie W
 Rhinos –Ava
 Jaguars –Alfie B



Week ending 7 October

Orangutans – Harry
 Polar Bears – Charlie D
 Gorillas –Gracie C
 Tigers – Daniel
 Penguins – Jacob
 Snow leopards – Harley S
 Elephants – Mackensie
 Pandas – Dylan
 Rhinos – Liam
 Jaguars – Rhys H

These children have had the pleasure of having hot chocolate and biscuits as a reward.



House points

House points for 28.9.22

Miners - 351 **Potters – 349**
Brewers – 338 **Foresters – 286**

House points for 5.10.22

Miners - 300 **Potters – 283**
Foresters – 235 **Brewers – 224**

Attendance Awards

Week commencing 19 Sept

1. Pandas – 100%
2. Snow Leopards – 97.73%
3. Rhinos – 97.66%
4. Gorillas – 96.75%
5. Penguins – 96.59%
6. Polar Bears – 94.85%
7. Tigers – 91.50%
8. Orangutans – 90.44%
9. Jaguars – 89.17%
10. Elephants – 83.33%



Congratulations to **Pandas** who have received the highest attendance for the week commencing 19 Sept 22 with 100%

Year Group attendance

Year 4 and Year 5 – 94% **Year 6 & Year 3 – 93%**

House attendance

Foresters 96% **Potters 96%**

Brewers 93%

Miners 89%

Week commencing 26 Sept

1. Rhinos – 99.47%
2. Penguins – 99.09%
3. Polar Bears – 97.65%
4. Gorillas – 95.65%
5. Pandas – 94.71%
6. Snow Leopards – 94.55%
7. Tigers – 94%
8. Orangutans – 91.76%
9. Elephants – 91.58%
10. Jaguars – 90.67%



Congratulations to Rhinos who have received the highest attendance for the week commencing 25 Sept 22 with 99.47%

Year Group attendance

Year 4 & Year 5 – 94% **Year 3 & Year 6 93%**

House attendance

Brewers and Miners – 95%

Foresters - 94%

Potters 93%

Safeguarding – everyone’s business

The safeguarding@springfield.derbyshire.sch.uk is monitored 24 hours. You can also call us for any Emergency safeguarding enquiries on **01283 217855 – OPTION 3 (24 HOURS)**

If you have any concerns that a child is at risk of serious harm, then please contact **Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190** or visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/startingpoint

NSPCC is a free 24 hour, 365 days a year helpline on 0808 800500 or visit www.nspcc.org.uk

Childline Help Number – 0800 1111

Take care and stay safe

Sending best wishes to you and your families and thank you for your continued support.

Miss Julian ☺