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A message from Miss Julian

I hope that you all have a great half term. Remember that the clocks change on Sunday 30th October and go back an hour. It will mean the mornings will be very dark so take care. Remember not to allow children to travel to and from school on scooters or bikes after half term. Thank you.

Farewell and Happy Retirement

We say 'Happy retirement' to Mrs. Greenlee in the office. She has worked at Springfield for 19 years so will have seen many children and families come through our doors. We wish her a happy retirement and all the very best for the future for her – you will be missed.

Reading awards

For w/e 14.10.22 Mr. Hoots was won by Tigers with 82% and Twig was won by Rhinos with 72%



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](#) to find

Keeping the children safe



It seems that we need to issue yet another reminder about the fact that it is **illegal to park or stop on the yellow zig zag lines anywhere**. Rule 243 of the Highway code indicates where motorists must not park or stop.

Despite a message on the newsletter on 9.9.22, some parents have ignored the warning and continue to put the children's lives at risk by doing this. Parking or stopping on the zig zag lines is highly dangerous as it obstructs the visibility. Stopping on the zig zag lines to let your child out is NOT acceptable.

We will continue to work with the local PCSO and police to manage and maintain the children's safety.

Our children's safety must come first.

How to apply for your child's secondary school

This can be done either online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions

Here you will find a guide on the process for applying for your child's secondary school place 2022-23.

Derbyshire County Council prefer parents to apply online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admission

However, for those parents without access to the internet, they can apply by phone by ringing Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190

Harvest Festival

Many thanks for all your kind donations to support the Swadlincote Churches food bank.



'Thank you to the children who read beautifully at our Harvest Celebration on Thursday: Harper, Max, Cavan, Elsie, Evie, Lacey, Olivia and Charlie.

Diary Dates

Upcoming events



Important DAYS for academic Year 2022/23

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

Well done, Daniel



Daniel in Tigers completed his 11th Junior park run and received his half marathon wristband last weekend.

Well done, Daniel.

Sporting news



Football

The year 6 girls football team took part in the South Derbyshire girls football finals last week. A really strong team was placed in group A with Findern, Pennine way and Etwall - 3 very good sides. All 3 matches were very tight and hard fought, the first game against a very good Findern ended 2-0, the second game against Etwall was really tight with neither side being able to score and 0-0 the final result.

The confidence of the girls was growing and we scored our first goal in the third game. We hit the post in the last minute which would have won us the game only for Pennine to break away to the other end and score for a 2-1 win.

Well done to Ellie. M, Kelsi, Kizzy, Evalyn, Rainie, Elsie, Elisa and Taylor.

Boccia

An amazing afternoon at Greenbank Leisure Centre was enjoyed by our Boccia team on Wednesday. The team faced schools from all over South Derbyshire and enjoyed big wins and narrow losses. The team really enjoyed the event and the spirit and smiles of the team was so pleasing to see. At the end of the competition the children finished in 3rd place overall, losing our semi final to Pennine way on the last end so it was really close.

Thank you to Mikey, Eloise, Peter, Evalyn, Hayden, Jayden and Elsie

Reading Mentors

This week we have been delighted to welcome our new Reading Mentors from the Pingle Sixth Form. They will be visiting the school each week to listen to some of the children read and talk about their book.



Dinner Money

Please clear your outstanding dinner money debt. You will have received an email from the office. PLEASE ensure that you clear your debt as we cannot provide further meals if you are owing substantial amounts of money.

Absence letters

If your child has attendance that is **90% or lower**, you will be receiving a letter regarding how we will be monitoring this moving forward.

Year 3 Science day at Rosliston

Y3 had an amazing day at Rosliston last week on a science day with a team from Rolls Royce. They taught us all about forces and we took part in four workshops: Hot shots; flight path ; birds and cargo drop. We learnt about measuring using newton meters; how thrust and drag work with air travel; the trajectory of objects in flight; how to accurately fire a sling shot; how to design a fair test for a paper aeroplane which we made - and we even got to meet a couple of birds of prey. We all learnt so much and had fun at the same time.



Times Tables Tycoons at Oct half term

Well done to our math's super stars this half term.

Copper	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Gold Plus
Year 3	Year 3	Year 3	Year 3	Year 3
Skyla B Max Dylan Noah				
Year 4	Year 4	Year 4	Year 4	Year 4
Bethany S Max M Casey P Julia B Daniel R Phoebe C-J	Charlie W			
Year 5	Year 5	Year 5	Year 5	Year 5
Zachary C Shelby S Ethan B Kendall C	Mason L Christopher D Jacob J Austin F Evie-Rose M MaryAnne L Maximus P	Harley S Kayde Alexis M	Ollie Jake E Christine C	
Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
Evie S	Evie W Jessica	Tyrece Sienna Harry A	Shane Kizzy Elisa Harry M Bradley S Mackenzie	Elsie



Achievement Award for demonstrating being ready, respectful and safe

Week ending 14 October

Orangutans – Jacob
 Polar Bears - Chester
 Gorillas – Esmi
 Tigers – Rocco
 Penguins – Kyla
 Snow leopards – Archie
 Elephants –Lilly-Rae
 Pandas –Jess
 Rhinos –Daniel
 Jaguars –Hayden



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

House points

House points for 12.10.22

Foresters – 579 **Brewers – 542**
Miners - 533 **Potters –506**

House points for 19.10.22

Miners - **Potters –**
 Foresters – **Brewers –**

Attendance Awards

Week commencing 3 Oct 22

1. Rhinos – 100%
2. Jaguars – 98%
3. Polar Bears – 97.65%
4. Tigers – 96.4%
5. Penguins – 95.51%
6. Gorillas – 94.78%
7. Snow Leopards – 94.09%
8. Pandas – 92.94%
9. Orangutans – 87.06%
10. Elephants – 85.26%



Congratulations to **Rhinos** who have received the highest attendance for the week commencing 3 Oct 22 with 100%

Year Group attendance

Year 4 – 95% Year 5 – 94%

Year 6 & Year 3 – 93%

House attendance

Brewers & Foresters - 95%

Miners & Potters – 93%

Week commencing 10 Oct 22

1. Elephants – 97.37%
2. Jaguars – 96%
3. Gorillas – 95.65%
4. Orangutans – 95.29%
5. Pandas – 94.71%
6. Tigers – 94.4%
7. Polar Bears – 93.33%
8. Rhinos – 92.11%
9. Penguins – 90.45%
10. Snow Leopards – 90%



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Year Group attendance

Year 4 & Year 6 – 95%

Year 3 – 94% Year 5 – 90%

House attendance

Foresters and Potters – 95%

Brewers - 94%

Miners – 90%

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 ☺