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A message from Miss Julian

We have had a busy start to the year and there is lots planned for the rest of the academic year – please make sure you make a note of the updated diary dates. As soon as I am able to let you know what is happening regarding the proposed teacher strike action and if we are open or closed, I will do.

A new Headteacher

I am pleased to inform you that school has been successful in appointing a new, permanent Headteacher for Springfield Junior School.

Mrs. Kay will be joining the school from **1st April**. It will be my last day on Friday 31st March 2023. The children have met Mrs. Kay and we will be having a comprehensive handover as she will be in school prior to her starting here. I am sure that you will make her feel very welcome.

Healthy Tuck

We are selling fruit (apples), vegetables (carrots) and boxed raisins at playtime now – all at a bargain price for 10p each. If you are sending your child in with tuck, please ensure that it is a healthy one please.

Welcome to Miss. Hicklin

We say a warm welcome to Miss. Hicklin who is working alongside Mrs. Jones on the office. Her working days will be Monday to Wednesday.

Football super stars



We have been very fortunate and lucky to have a new football strip donated to the school. Our thanks go to Mr. Chadwick for this very generous donation to the school.

The school team were able to play in the EFL u11 cup this week, with the ultimate prize of a day at Wembley as the goal. Teams came from all over Derby City and Derbyshire. We were in a group with St Johns - Ripley, Roe Farm - Chaddesden, St Georges - Littleover and Redhill school - Ockbrook. 2 games 2 wins. 3-0 walkover on Roe farm and a 3-2 victory against Redhill, Mackenzie with 2 and Austin with 1. Third game up was St Georges, they had 1 very powerful and strong player and a lucky deflection gave them the lead. The second half Cavan did a great job in stopping the threat and we controlled the game but could not find the goal. The last game was against St Johns, this was our hardest game, and we were truly brilliant, we hit the bar 3 times and some of the passing was quite brilliant. sadly, no goals and a 0-0 draw was the result.

We qualified for the semi finals and a game against Brackensdale school of Mackworth. An early free kick gave them the lead, but Mackenzie soon levelled up the game, in to the second half and some excellent play from Austin down the right presented Mackenzie with an easy finish to put us up 2-1, with 2 minutes left, a mix up in defence presented the opposition with a chance to level which they did. 2-2 Penalties. We were unlucky and lost 1-0 in the shootout. A third-place finish and only the top 2 progress to the next round. What an amazing performance by the whole team.

Thank you to Ethan, Bradley, Ellis, Cavan, Austin, Mackenzie, Junior and Kendell.

Diary Dates

Upcoming events



Important DAYS for academic Year 2022/23 2023

Monday 13-Friday 17 – Year 6 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes

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

Wednesday 8 – Wed 15 March – Scholastic Book Fair in School

Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 March – Parents evenings

Friday 31 March – School closes for Easter Holiday

Monday 17 April – school reopens for everyone

Monday 8 May - Additional Bank holiday for coronation of King Charles III

Friday 26 May - school closes for May half term

Monday 5 June – School reopens for everyone

Friday 9 June – Sports day AM

Friday 30 June – Reserve sports day

Monday 26 June – INSET school closed for everyone

Friday 21 July – school closes for summer holiday

Attendance Awards

Half term for October – December 22

1. Polar Bears – 95.59%
2. Penguins – 93.82%
3. Pandas & Orangutans – 92.38%
4. Jaguars – 92.31%
5. Tigers – 91.88%
6. Elephants – 91.84%
7. Snow Leopards – 91.26%
8. Rhinos – 91.2%
9. Gorillas – 90.65%



Well done to Polar bears for winning pizza! They said it was yummy

Week commencing 9 Jan 23

1. Polar Bears - 100%
2. Jaguars – 98.75%
3. Pandas – 96.67%
4. Penguins and Snow Leopards – 96.36%
5. Tigers – 96.25%
6. Orangutans – 95.29%
7. Rhinos – 92%
8. Gorillas – 83.75%



Year Group attendance

Year 5 & Yr. 3 - 94% Year 6 – 93%

Year 4 – 92%

House attendance

Miners and Potters – 95%

Brewers – 94% Foresters – 92%

Congratulations to **Polar Bears** who have received the highest attendance for the week commencing 9 Jan 23 with **100%**

House points

House points for 11.1.23

Potters – 253 Brewers – 247 Foresters – 202

Miners 185

House points for 18.1.23

Foresters – 608 Brewers – 508 Potters – 489

Miners - 449

Dodgeball champions

Congratulations to the children who represented the school at a Dodgeball competition last week – both teams are now through to the final! Watch this space.

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

Miss Julian ☺