

SPRINGWOOD FEDERATION NEWSLETTER



"Believing is Achieving"

April 2024

Message from Mrs Livingstone

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed lots of chocolate as well as the Spring sunshine.

All our Year 2 children have now been notified of their places at the junior school in September. A letter will be emailed to all parents who are remaining at Springwood Federation with information about the Junior School and what to expect.

I have also received notification of the children that will begin their school journey in September. Please see days and timings in the Diary Dates for all the exciting things planned as we welcome you all to the Springwood Family.

Details about the Sports Afternoons will be emailed to you nearer the time.

As always, we thank you for your ongoing support.

SATS and Year Group Tests

SATS Assessments will be taking place this year for Year 6. The children will sit their tests the week beginning 13th May.

Year 1 will complete the Phonics Decoding Check in June and Year 4 will complete the Multiplication Check which is also in June.



Upcoming Diary Dates

15th April



INSET DAY-School Closed



22nd April

Earth day



25th April

EYFS Poppell Barn mobile farm visit



26th April

Year 5 Swimming lessons commence

13th-17th May

Year 6 SATS week



27th May- 31st May



Half Term

HAPPY Earth Day

On Monday 22nd April 2024, our children will be celebrating Earth Day which is celebrated in 192 countries around the world. The day is designed to celebrate our beautiful planet, the amazing animals that call it home, and raise awareness about the ways in which environments can be protected.

This year's theme is Planet Vs Plastic with a global aim to reduce plastic production by 60% to protect our future generations. Children will learn about ways in which humans can choose plastic alternatives and recycle plastics and the benefits of doing so.

Throughout this week, children will create art work which will be showcased in school before being entered into the Havant Big Green Week Children's Art Competition between 8th and 16th June 2024.



2024



Final Inset Day



The final INSET day for the year will be on Friday 28th June 2024. Class teacher's will be finalising assessments and moderating judgements ready for your child's End of Year Report. You will receive their report on 12th July. The children have worked so hard and I know we are all keen to share their achievements with you.

Snapshot of last terms Highlights

World Book Day

All of our children looked absolutely fantastic, dressed in their World Book Day outfits. Each class enjoyed World Book Day related activities & lots of fun.



EYFS Duck Hatching



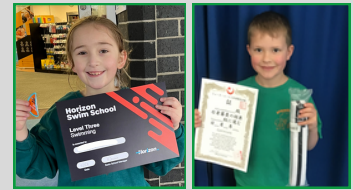
EYFS watched the eggs hatch into baby ducklings. The children helped staff feed, water & carefully handle them. The Ducks will remain with us until they are ready for their new adventure outdoors.

Y2 Wire Sculpture Workshop

The Southampton Art Gallery Team visited Year 2. The children had lots of fun creating wire sculpture artwork, inspired by the book 'The Tin Forrest'.



Celebration Assembly



Please keep sending us your 'outside of school achievements' to adminoffice@springwood.hants.sch.uk so we can share and celebrate your child in our assemblies.



'Connect4Communities' is a programme which operates in Hampshire. It aims to support families in need particularly with rising living costs, for example energy, food and water bills.

Please take a look at the website:
<http://connect4communities.org>



The new menu's that will run until October have been sent with this newsletter and will also be available on our website www.springwoodfederation.co.uk and weekly on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/Springwoodfederation. There will now be a cold packed lunch option instead of the jacket potato option.



Pe Days

A reminder of the PE days across the Federation as there have been a couple of changes. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit, including trainers/plimsols on these days:



- Y2** - Tuesdays & Fridays
- Y3** - Thursdays & Fridays
- Y4** - Wednesday & Friday
- Y5** - Mondays & Tuesday
- Y6** - Monday & Friday



Attendance

Our whole school attendance figures have improved and we are nearly meeting our targets of over 95% for both schools. Thank you so much for your support, Mrs Johnson will continue to contact families where individual child attendance is below 95% to offer support and where appropriate invite to support sessions.

Current NHS guidance says it's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold. The NHS guidance on if your child should attend school is here: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school>



Pupil information

Please keep the school fully informed of any medical/dietary conditions/changes and also ensure your child's asthma inhaler/Insulin/EpiPen etc is in school and in date. Furthermore, please keep the school up-to-date if you change home address, telephone number or email. If you have changed address you will need to provide proof to the office via email before your child's records can be updated. You will need to ensure that there are three named contacts available at any time your child is present in school. One of these contacts should be for someone living outside of the home address e.g. grandparent. It is imperative that we are able to contact an adult to collect the child should they develop symptoms and to safeguard all children.

Absence

If your child is unable to attend school, please call the school office on **02392 262078** by **9.30am** or email adminoffice@springwood.hants.sch.uk. You should be reporting to the office every day your child is off, giving updated details of the illness and expected return date. If you know your child is going to be absent from school due to going on holiday, please ensure a absence request form has been completed, these forms can be collected from the admin office.