

# Springfield Primary Academy





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Dear Parents,

A huge welcome back to school this week to all our pupils and a special welcome to all our new families. It has been lovely to see all the children arriving in their school uniforms looking so smart and happy. The new reception children are settling very well and we look forward to our new nursery children beginning their Springfield journey's next week.

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All staff have commented on the children's behaviour and attitudes this week and how exemplary it has been. I certainly look forward to seeing this continue.

I would like to start the year by saying that attendance and punctuality is a huge focus for improvement this year. We have listened where parents have asked for the gates to be opened earlier and they will now open at 8.30am, where children will be encouraged to take part in an early morning 'Wake up Shake up' fitness activity led by Mr Kundrai. If your child arrives after the gates have closed at 8.55am they will need to be escorted to the office by an adult who will need to provide a reason why they are late. We will also be making home visits to families where children have poor attendance or where parents do not inform us of their child's absence.

Please support us in our bid to reach our attendance target of 96%.

Ms Sasha Taylor Head of School

# Volunteers

We are looking for parent volunteers to work in our academy to support improvements with children's reading. Mrs Beale will support all volunteers and provide the activities to be completed.

If you would like to volunteer please go to the school office and leave your name, telephone number and the name and class of your child/children.

All volunteers will be given a DBS check before working within the school.

#### Reading

It is very important that children read as much as possible. Widely read children perform better in most, if not all curriculum areas compared to children who only read during the school day.

# School Gate-Opening **Times**

The school gates will now open at 8.30am and close at 8.55am.

Once the gates are closed please bring your child/children to the school office.

## **ATTENDANCE LEAGUE...**

6N	96.0%
2B	94.2%
2H	91.7%
4P	91.4%
5BL	90.1%
6D	89.5%
4A	89.2%
3W	88.9%
3F	88.1%
6G	88.0%
4M	87.5%
<b>2S</b>	85.8%
1D	84.4%
3D	83.1%
<b>5Z</b>	79.4%
5B	78.0%
INKPEN	75.4%
1M	74.8%
MCKEE	41.2%
KS1	86.2%
KS2	80.5%
EYFS	58.3%
Total	74.9%

Our school attendance target is 96% this year.

## Data above is for Autumn term.

Please support your child to achieve this.

It is also extremely important for children to be punctual in the morning as activities start as soon as children enter school.

#### **Attendance**

Welcome back to a new academic year.

Please be aware that parents/carers of children who arrive late, must speak with a senior member of staff at the main entrance before leaving.

## Punctuality will be monitored.

Springfield Primary Academy aims for 100% attendance for all children. Therefore, we ask for your continued support in order to ensure that our children get the best education possible.



<b>Term Dates 2019-2020</b>		
Autumn Term Dates	04.09.2019 – 25.10.2019	
	04.11.2019 – 20.12.2019	
Spring Term Dates	06.01.2020 - 14.02.2020	
	24.02.2020 – 03.04.2020	
Summer Term Dates	20.04.2020 – 22.05.2020	
	01.06.2020 – 20.07.2020	

### **School Day**

Our school day begins at **8.45am** and finishes at **3.15pm**.

On a Wednesday school finishes at **12.55pm** prompt.

All children should be collected on time from the school playground.

# Secondary School Transition

If your child is in Year 6, you are encouraged to attend one of the following transition meetings:

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 2.15pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 9.00am

## 'Wake Up Shake Up'

Mr Kundrai will be running a 'wake up shake up' session for the whole school in the playground every morning, beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

The session will start at **8.30am** and will run until the bell rings for the beginning of the school day.

All the children will then be taken into school for registration.

#### ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

10.09.2019	Year 6 parents transition meeting at 2.15pm	
12.09.2019	Year 6 parents transition meeting at 9.00am	
16.09.2019	Year 6 trip to The RAF Museum	
20.09.2019	Parent's Coffee Morning	
30.09.2019	Individual and family group photographs	
25.10.2019	Half Term	
04.11.2019	School will open to all students	



Diary Dates

