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Dear parents and carers

In this first newsletter of the decade I am proud to highlight the achievements of the Year 4 Dodgeball team who earned a silver medal at Moseley School this week. Comments were made about the attitudes, levels of respect and integrity of our children as well as their ability to play the game. They represented Springfield Primary, their parents and community very well and should be commended.

We have a number of classes whose attendance is now above our target figure but still too many that are below and some considerably below the figure of 96%. In the coming weeks I will be contacting and inviting into school the parents of children whose attendance is below the target figure. These meetings will be to discuss if and how school can support you to improve your child's attendance.

Finally, it has been great to have our first two parent volunteers in school and we would love to have some more. In order to keep our children safe there is a formal application process that requires two satisfactory references and a Disclosure Barring check to be completed. If you have time to spare and are able to provide support to our children please speak to the office manager who will provide you with an application pack.

Ms Sasha Taylor Head of School

### **Coffee Morning**

The RHSE Coffee Morning event will be repeated on the

### 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020 at 9:15am

This event will go over the Relationship, Health and Sex Education Policy of the Academy

All parents are encouraged to attend the Coffee Morning

Punjabi and Urdu translators will be present to help with language barriers.

### Change to school week

The change to the structure of the school week will commence week beginning

### Monday 24th February 2020.

This means, school will no longer finish at 12.55pm every Wednesday after half term. From Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>
February, the school day will end at 3.15pm.

Until then, please collect your children on time at 12.55pm every Wednesday.

## ATTENDANCE LEAGUE...

Class	%
2H	99.2%
6G	97.9%
4P	97.8%
Inkpen	97.7%
5B	96.7%
6N	96.5%
4M	95.8%
Mckee	95.1%
5Z	94.5%
5BL	94.2%
4A	93.9%
6D	93.5%
2S	93.3%
2B	92.8%
3W	92.7%
1M	92.2%
3F	91.3%
1D	90.3%
3D	89.3%
Nursery	85.3%
KS2	94.5%
KS1	93.5%
EYFS	92.7%
Total	94.0%

Our school attendance target is **96%** this year.

## Data above is for Spring 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.

# Safeguarding at Springfield is 'everyone's responsibility, every day'

## Our designated safeguarding leads are:

- Ms Sasha Taylor
- Miss Latoya Johnson
  - Mrs Jan Beale

There is an ongoing issue with parents/carers blocking the middle of the road, the school car park entrances and parking on yellow zigzags to let children out in the mornings. Can we ask parents to park further up the road, so that your child/children can come in and out of school safely.

### **Pupil Collections**

During the dark nights, all children staying behind at school for any reason including after school clubs, need to be collected by a parent/carer for safety reasons.

### **Congratulations Year 4**

This week 8 Year 4 pupils took part in a Dodgeball Sporting Festival held at Moseley Secondary School. Ten local primary schools took part and the Year 4 team representing Springfield were awarded Silver Medals and certificates for coming second.

Big congratulations to those who participated.

### **Free School Meals**

Please complete a Free School
Meal Eligibility Check form.
These are available at the school
office. The admin team can help
you complete the form. If the
Eligibility Check shows that your
children are entitled, we will let
you know.

Completing the form does NOT mean you automatically get free school meals.

### **Year 1 Educational Visit**

Year 1 will be visiting the Shire Country Park, Greet Mill Meadows on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> or Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

They will be observing physical features in the park such as the River Cole, and learn about the geographical features and importance of it.

### P.E Kits

A reminder of the school uniform policy for P.E:

- White T-shirt and Black Shorts (during the winter, children may wear plain black jogging bottoms),
- > P.E Pumps or Trainers for outdoor PE.

All kit should be kept in a separate PE bag which should hang easily on their coat peg. This can be left in school and taken home during half term so children always have a P.E kit in school.

#### ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

23.01.2020	Coffee Morning	20.04.2020	School re-opens to all students
23.01.2020	1 Donaldson trip to Shire Country Park	23.05.2020	Break up for Half Term
24.01.2020	1 Murphy trip to Shire Country Park	01.06.2020	School re-opens to all students
30.01.2020	Year 5&6 Athletics Tournament at Billesley Tennis Club	17.07.2020	Break up for Summer
14.02.2020	Break up for Half Term		
24.02.2020	School re-opens to all students		
	End of Spring Term		



Diary Dates

