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Dear Parents and Carers

As the half term arrives, I would like to wish you all a restful and relaxing time with your children. Please see the Birmingham Library website for details of free events such as The Day at Zoo concert on 19th February.

One of our primary aims for this year has been to improve attendance. Sadly, we still have a number of children with attendance below our 96% target and some significantly below this too. After the half term if your child's attendance has fallen below our target percentage you will receive a letter inviting you to come into school to discuss the reasons for this and any support the school may be able to offer you to improve your child's attendance.

We will also be introducing 100% attendance weeks where we select a week and every child with 100% attendance that week will receive a treat, so look out for details of our first 100% attendance week.

This half term there have been a variety of opportunities for parents to engage with and give opinions on school life at Springfield and it has been wonderful to see the numbers of parents turning up. Please look out for further parent opportunities next half term.

*Ms Sasha Taylor
Head of School*

World book day & Scholastic book fair

We will have the Scholastic Book Fair in school from Thursday 5th March until Tuesday 10th March. The Book Fair was a huge success last year and we raised over £800 to purchase new books for our school. We are hoping to beat this total this year. Scholastic give the school free books for our library and classroom in line with how much money we raise.

On Friday 6th March we are celebrating World book day. We invite children to dress up as their favourite book characters. There were some wonderful costumes last year and we are hoping for all children to take part again.

Book in a Box competition. Children can create a scene from their favourite book in a cereal/shoe box, deadline is 6th March 2020

Change to school week

The change to 5 day 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 26th February**, the school day will end at 3.15pm.

This is in affect when school re opens after half term.

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE...

Class	%
2Hoffman	98.3%
6Naidoo	97.2%
5 Boyce	96.5%
6 Gavin	96.2%
5Zephaniah	95.8%
5 Blackman	95.7%
4Pullman	95.7%
2 Smith	95.7%
6Dhami	95.2%
3Wilson	94.5%
1Donaldson	94.4%
4Morpurgo	94.4%
McKEE	94.3%
INKPEN	94.2%
2Bloom	93.5%
4 Agard	93.0%
3 Dahl	92.6%
3 Fine	92.1%
Form NURSERY	89.7%
1 Murphy	89.3%
KS2	94.9%
KS1	93.70%
EYFS	92.7%
Total	94.4%

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

Medical needs:

Parents can you ensure that school has up to date medical information and any prescription medicines are in date and school are updated regularly with any changes to medical conditions and/or prescriptions

Thank You

We would like to thank you all for the donations we received last week for the NSPCC number day. We raised a total of £483.12

May Day Bank Holiday

Normally the early May bank holiday falls on the first Monday of May. But in 2020 it won't be on May 4th, it will be on Friday 8th 2020. The Government announced the change of date to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

Therefore school will be closed on Friday 8th May instead of the Monday 4th May.

P.E Kits

A reminder that P.E is a compulsory subject; therefore pupils are required by law to participate.

PE timetables are changing after half term. So please can all children bring in their PE kit in each Monday and take home each Friday. Thank you.

Sports Relief 2020

Sports relief will be from Monday 9th March to Friday 13th March 2020. Sports relief brings the nation together to raise money through the power of sports. In 2018, 13 million people have been helped with money raised from sports relief.

This year events and activities will take place throughout the week, with both children and staff participating and planning the activities. Also on Friday 13th March there will be a non-uniform day, with the theme being dress in sports clothes. A recommended donation of £1 is required for the Friday's non uniform. All proceeds go to charity.

ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

14.02.2020	Break up for Half Term	03.04.2020	Spring term ends
24.02.2020	Teacher training day	20.04.2020	Summer term starts
25.02.2020	School re-opens to all students	08.05.2020	School Closed – May Bank Holiday
06.03.2020	World Book Day- Dress up as favourite book character	22.05.2020	Summer half term
5-10 th March	Scholastic book fair	01.06.2020	School re-opens to all students
9-13 th March	Sports Relief	17.07.2020	Break up for Summer
13.02.2020	Non uniform- Sports Relief	11 th – 15 th May 2020	Year 6 SATS week
25.03.2020	Parent's evening		



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Dates**

