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**Issue** 

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We have now completed two full five-day weeks!

It has been wonderful to see the children engaging with PE, drama and music activities provided for them while their teachers receive valuable planning time.

There are a number of bugs circulating at the moment, in order to support our attendance and children's health I would ask you to support us by ensuring your child is aware of the need for increased hygiene, such as washing hands. We adopt the Catch it, Bin it, Kill it rule at Springfield Primary.

This requires children to carry tissues at all times and if they feel they are going to cough or sneeze they should use the tissue to Catch it. They should then **Bin it** – put the tissue in the bin and finally **Kill it** – kill the germs by washing their hands or using hand sanitiser.

Finally, on a happier note we will very soon begin planning our summer fair. If you are interested in supporting with the planning and managing of this event please join us for a planning meeting on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 9.15am – further details to follow in our next newsletter.

> Ms Sasha Taylor Head of School

### Share a million stories

Share a million stories is a campaign to help change children's lives by making story telling a hobby for a lifetime and creating readers for life. It aims to develop a passion for reading for pleasure as well as for learning.

Springfield Primary Academy share this aim and therefore we encourage you to ensure your child reads and/or is read to every day at home.

Colour in the world book day reading record every time you have read or listened to a story.

There are many fun reading activities for children. Please see the world book day website for ideas.

https://www.worldbookday.com/

#### May Day Bank Holiday

Due to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day The Government have made a change to the May Bank holiday.

Normally the early May bank holiday falls on the first Monday of May. However, this year it will be on Friday 8th May 2020.

Therefore school will be closed on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**.

Please make suitable arrangements for this.

#### **ATTENDANCE LEAGUE...**

Class	%
2Hoffman	97.3%
6Naidoo	96.9%
5Boyce	96.6%
4Pullman	96.2%
6Gavin	96.1%
2Smith	95.8%
6Dhami	95.6%
5Blackman	95.4%
5Zephaniah	95.3%
4Morpurgo	95.3%
1Donaldson	94.6%
3Wilson	94.0%
2Bloom	93.5%
INKPEN	93.4%
McKEE	93.1%
4Agard	92.8%
3Fine	92.2%
3Dahl	92.2%
1Murphy	90.1%
NURSERY	89.9%
KS2	94.9%
KS1	94.30%
EYFS	92.1%
Total	94.3%

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'

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new strain of coronavirus first identified in Wuhan City, China.

Typical symptoms of coronavirus include fever and a cough that may progress to a severe pneumonia causing shortness of breath and breathing difficulties.

This virus is highly contagious, therefore if you or a member of your family have symptoms stay indoors and avoid contact with other people and call NHS 111.

If you have returned from a high risk country, such as, Iran, Italy or China since 19th February you are asked to isolate yourself and call NHS 111 even without symptoms.

For full list of countries/areas affected see:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coron avirus-covid-19-information-for-thepublic

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. NHS 111 will advise you what to do.

#### Scholastic book fair.

We have the Scholastic Book Fair in school until Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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. The more books that parents buy from scholastic the more books they will donate to our school library. So, help us to replenish our book stocks and support your child's passion for reading in one go!

## Teacher Training day 1st June 2020

In order to provide valuable CPD for our teachers Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June will be a teacher training day.

This means school will be **closed** for pupils.

Please make suitable arrangements for this.

#### P.E Kits

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

Please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school at all times.

#### **Sports Relief 2020**

Next week children will have the opportunity to participate in fundraising activities to support the charity Sport Relief.

Throughout the week they will be able to join in with activities for 20p such as football, basketball and sponge a teacher. Please ensure that your child has money if they would like to take part in the activities to fundraise for Sport relief.

There are wristbands available at a cost of £1 and we will finish the week with a sports clothes themed non-uniform day, for which we are asking for a donation of £1.

#### ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

5-10 <sup>th</sup>	Scholastic book fair	03.04.2020	Break up for Easter Holidays
March			
9-13 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Relief	20.04.2020	School Opens for Summer Term
March			•
11.03.2020	Year 5 Reading Workshop	08.05.2020	School Closed – May Bank Holiday
13.03.2020	Non uniform- Sports Relief	11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Year 6 SATS week
19.03.2020	Maths Parents Workshop for Class McKee – 9:00am	22.05.2020	Break up for Summer Half Term.
23.03.2020	100% attendance week	01.06.2020	School Closed – Teacher Training
25.03.2020	Parent's Evening	02.06.2020	School Reopens to Pupils
26.03.2020	Maths Parents Workshop for Class Inkpen – 9:00am	17.07.2020	Break up for Summer



Diary Dates

