

SPRINGFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL



Newsletter

Summer Term 2 July 2019

Dear Parents / Guardians

As you can see from this newsletter and those from the last few terms, it has been another fantastic academic year. We end it once again with a tremendous performance from year 6 and from our choirs, dancers and musical theatre group. In addition, the children from across the year groups have made great progress - testament to the hard work and dedication of our teachers, the determination of pupils and support from parents. I am always amazed at the wide range of experiences and opportunities that our teachers provide for the pupils in their care, and the enthusiasm and growing confidence shown by our children as they make the most of what the school has to offer.

To our Year 6 children, we wish you well as you embark on the next step of your academic journey, and look forward to hearing of your future successes.

I hope you have a happy and healthy summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all in September.

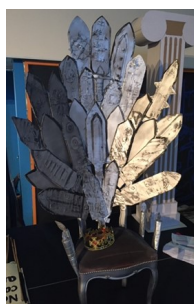
Don't forget to carry on reading and practice your times tables please!

Michael Lynch
Headteacher

Game of Tiaras

This year, our year 6 pupils are performing Game of Tiaras which is a modern variation of the Shakespear play King Lear. When an aging king of a Magical Kingdom decides to split his empire between his three daughters, Cinderella, Belle and the Snow Queen, terrible but hilarious tragedy ensues. Our children have really enjoyed performing this play, and the comedy moments it provided. Their performance has been fantastic, and they have all worked with diligence and dedication to make this a performance to remember.

Our thanks go to the very talented Mrs Miller, for her tireless efforts with the practise and production of our play.





Year 3

We have thoroughly enjoyed our topic on the Stone Age, and the children have learned so much about life for early humans. Their learning was enhanced by a fabulous trip to Hands on Heritage in Tunstall Forest. Both groups had good weather in which to enjoy a variety of activities. The children also really enjoyed their lunch and pancakes!

We have enjoyed the story of Bear and the Piano in English, and this formed the basis of their Big Write for this term. We have been really impressed with the effort the children have put into their writing, particularly at the end of a long term.

Thank you to all our Year 3 children for working so hard this year.

Year 4

This term has been very busy; with a visit to the Gurdwara to learn about Sikhism, and a trip to Foxburrow Farm where we discovered different habitats, hunted for mini-beasts and learnt about food chains.

We have also performed our own Greek Myth with puppets; participated in a Greek style Olympics, and had lots of fun during our trip to Christchurch Park.

Looking ahead to next term, we have more learning fun planned including a trip to Colchester Castle as part of our Romans topic. We will also be welcoming a Gladiator in to school and dressing up as a Roman!

Year 5

We finished our Anglo-Saxon topic this term by making Anglo-Saxon inspired jewellery and clay pots. 5M have performed in Hairspray, and 5J were involved in the Suffolk Food Festival where they visited the Suffolk Food Hall, and designed their own meal for less than 50p!

Year 6

This term has been a lot of fun for Year 6. They enjoyed a residential trip in June, participated in a Crucial Crew workshop about personal safety, and benefitted from a First Aid and NSPCC workshop too!

We have really enjoyed working with Year 6 this year, and wish them all the very best in their new high schools.



Boys Dance Group

On Sunday the 7th July our boys dance group, (consisting of 10 boys in years 3-6), attended the first ever boys dance festival which was held in Norwich. Our children took part in various workshops staffed by professional dancers Legacy Dance Company. In the evening, our children enjoyed performing in the show. It was a fabulous event which we hope to repeat.



Bandstand on the Beach

On the 10th June, our Musical Theatre and Chamber Choir performed in Aldeburgh as part of the Bandstand on the Beach.

Well done to all of the children, and a huge thank you to the parents who came to watch in the torrential rain!

Shout out - We are looking for a piano to use in school, if you have one that you no longer use which can be tuned to concert pitch, please contact Mrs Hart via the school office.

Sports Morning

On the morning of the 9th July, we held our whole school sports morning at Whitehouse Primary School. The children participated in a carousel of sports activities with Cavell being the winning house overall.



Staff News

This term we say goodbye to Miss Howard and Miss Reynolds, and wish them both good luck for the future. We also wish Miss Wilson well as she starts her maternity leave.

Dates for the diary

First day of term: Wed 4th Sept

Monday 9th September - Yr 3

Ancient Egyptian Day

Monday 9th September - Yr 4

Roman Day

Thursday 12th September - Yr 5

Mini Monsters

Monday 30th September - Yr 4

trip to Colchester Castle

Monday 7th October - Yr 5

Space workshop

Thursday 10th October Yr3 Visit to the Wolsey Theatre

Last day of term: Fri 18th Oct

Half term: Mon 21st-Fri 25th Oct

First day of term: Mon 28th Oct

Last day of term: Fri 20th Dec

2020 Term dates:

First day of term: Tues 7th Jan

Last day of term: Fri 14th Feb

Half term: Mon 17th-Fri 21st Feb

First day of term: Mon 24th Feb

Last day of term: Fri 3rd April

Half term: Mon 6th-17th April

First day of term: Mon 20th April

VE Day Bank holiday: 8th May

Last day of term: Fri 22nd May

Half term: Mon 25th-Fri 29th May

Monday 1st June - PD day

First day of term: Tues 2nd June

Last day of term: 17th July