

Newsletter - 09

12 November 2021

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's great to report we have had no COVID cases at school this week. We continue to keep control measures in place such as staff wearing face coverings and an enhanced cleaning programme throughout the day.

We are taking a focus on learning walks within school over the next few weeks, this gives us a great insight into the teaching and learning taking place in the classroom. It's always wonderful to see so many creative and fun lessons throughout school.

There has been a focus on Remembrance Day this week, please take a look at your pupils EFL file to see what they have been doing.

We aim to send out our Christmas calendar of events next week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Lisa

News and Information

Transition and Careers

I am in the process of updating the website's Transition and Careers section

It's still early in the year but students leaving us this year are already applying for post school options. It's never too early to start planning your son/daughter's future beyond Springfield, but it can be left too late! You will discuss future hopes at your annual review but please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about transition or careers. Please have a look and let me know any feedback - is there something missing that would be really useful? If so, I'll do my best to add it in.

Thanks

Laura Armitage - <u>laura.armitage@springfield.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

YouTube Activities Channel

We are creating a YouTube activities channel for all parents and children to access. Every Friday, a new activity video will be uploaded to the YouTube channel. These will include a range of activities, such as story time, Attention Autism and action songs. You can access the activity videos any time as they will always be available on the YouTube channel. A new activity video will be published every Friday for you to enjoy.

Personal Passports

Pupil Personal Passports were emailed home during the week commencing 11th October. If you haven't yet responded to say that you are happy with it, or if you would like to discuss any areas you are not happy with, please complete the <u>form</u> or let the class teacher know. If you need another copy sending, please contact us.

Children in Need

Friday 19th November is Children In Need. Pupils can come to school in fancy dress or wearing yellow for a voluntary donation of £1 to the charity



Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-bullying week. The School Council will be running a competition to design a new anti-bullying poster. The winning design will be displayed around school.

CEIAS Coffee Morning - Supported Internships

Cheshire East Information Advice and Support Service are holding an online parent and carers coffee morning on the 25th November between 10am and 11am.

Zoe Macey from the supported internships team will be our guest speaker to chat to parents and young people about the opportunities available for young people in Cheshire East

This is an online event via Microsoft Teams

To book a place on this workshop please contact us Email: ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Tel: 0300 123 5166

(Leave a quick message as the team are continuing to work remotely at this present time)

We will send you a link to join online the day before the event.

Many Thanks

The CEIAS Team

What is a Supported Internship?

A Supported Internship is a programme aimed at helping young people with a learning disability transition into paid work. This programme is different to other education based programmes- as it involves being in the work place most of the week. Whilst in the workplace all interns will have a Job Coach who will support them to develop their skills and confidence. A Supported Internship is about learning 'real' skills, for a 'real' job- it is not just work experience. The amount of support provided by the Job Coach is different for everybody. However, all interns would usually start with 100% support which would fade week by week... Until the intern is working completely independently! Interns will also spend part of their week with their education provider (this could be a School, College or Training Provider- depending on where they are doing their Supported Internship). Here, interns will develop their employability skills, as well as Maths and English.

Please see 2 short links for some more information

Video 1

Non-verbal man who had no understanding of world becomes 'incredible employee'; ITV News Granada

Video 2

You tube video- Jamie Spears Supported Internship

Community Events

Attached are the following flyers for information:

CEIAS Coffee Morning - Supported Internships

Autism Inclusive - Newsletter

The Petty Pool Trust College & Outdoor Centre - Festive Fair

RSPCA Crewe Nantwich and District Branch - Christmas Fair

Congleton Cricket Club - Christmas disco

The School GATE

The School

G = gain

A = answers

T = through

E = each other

Questions and discussions:

- We discussed about "You matter" and how to prioritise yourself......it is essential to schedule
 me time in your busy timetable, even if it means for 10 minutes. It is important to remember
 You cannot give and pour from an empty vessel.
- We practised some basic Makaton signsHello, good bye, good morning, good afternoon, good night, yes and no.
- Awareness on LGBT this term is used for sexuality and Gender identity, we have to have knowledge and educate ourselves on this so we can help our children and be aware of the societal changes.

It was a lovely session, thank you all for coming. See you next Thursday at 9.30am **Everyone is** welcome, please join us!

- Thursdays at 9.30am for Primary
- Fridays at 9.30am for Secondary

Term time only, no booking required.

Friends of Springfield

AGM

Our AGM has been rescheduled to Thursday 18th November at Springfield School. Please let our Chair, Judy Colclough know if you would like to attend. <u>judy.colclough@springfield.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

Christmas Market

Attached are a letter and flyer about our Christmas Market being held on Thursday 2nd December.

Friends of Springfield School Lottery

Just a reminder to buy your Friends of Springfield School Lottery tickets.

- Help us raise essential school items
- Support our lottery from just £1 a week
- Guaranteed cash prizes every week
- Win up to £25,000

Friday Fairy

What a lovely surprise. Thank you Friends of Springfield school and the Friday Fairy for a lovely surprise of a basket of goodies. We feel so special and lucky to work with such lovely young people.

Have a good weekend

Jenny, Rowena, Debbie, Katie & Lisa

Nursey Team xx

Reminders

School Dinners

The cost of school meals remains the same as last year:

- Primary aged pupil (year 3-6) £2:30 per meal
- Secondary aged pupil (year 7 and over) £2:50 per meal

We are a cashless school and therefore ask that all dinner money payments are made via ParentPay. You will be able to check balances on your ParentPay account and ask that you do not allow your child's account to go into debt.

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, you can check and apply via the <u>Cheshire East</u> <u>website</u>.

If parents do not have ParentPay accounts activated and need assistance, please contact Andrea in Admin.



Nut Free School



For new and existing parents please remember that we are a Nut Free School and be mindful of this when sending in snacks or packed lunches.

Springfield Sensory Facebook Page

There is a private Facebook page for staff and parents called 'Springfield Sensory'. This group contains lots of resources which parents may find useful at home and which are suitable for all abilities. You can identify it by the logo shown.



Our NHS Team

Nursing Team

Could parents/carers let the Nursing Team know of any changes in their child's conditions/medications/ A & E attendances etc via eSchools to Jenny Smith, Katie Mulroy or Debbie Potts. Parents can e-school, send letters or call us. We are in school between 8.30am and 16.30pm each week day.

Direct phone numbers to the nursing team are:

01270 826151 there is an answerphone on this.

01270 826150 there is no answerphone on this.

- New number for parents to activate their pad orders for Cheshire East children: NHS chain supply activation line - 0800 0304466
- The contact number for any issues with pads or if current pads are no longer suitable is: Bowel and Bladder Nurses 01270 826360

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy

If you have any questions regarding your child's physio/OT/Orthotics care, the team can be contacted via eSchools, or telephoning school and asking for the Therapy Department. Could you please let us know of any upcoming orthopaedic appointments or planned surgery that has been scheduled for your child. Hayley Mitchell, Physiotherapist is in school Monday to Friday and Yvonne Williams, OT works on a Monday.

Useful contact numbers

For wheelchair reviews:

Physio/OT office: 01270 826153

Wheelchair assessment unit: 01625 663345

Wheelchair repairs: Rosscare 0151 6536000

Speech Therapy

We are always keen to hear from you - please feel free to contact us with any questions about your child's treatment.

Jo Currie is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Alex Makin is available Wednesday (pm), Thursday, Friday

Phone the school on 01270 691900 or on direct line 01270 826152.

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Or contact via eSchools

Contact Us

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