Newsletter-8th March 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has certainly been a wonderful and super busy week at Springfield! In true Springfield style we didn't have just one World Book Day, we had 2! Thursday saw some amazing primary pupils dressed as Fantastic Mr Fox, Harry Potter, Princesses, Encanto, Superheroes, Toy Story, Charlie and The Chocolate Factory, Oompa Loompa's and many more!! Then Friday the secondary and 6th form department came dressed up as Cat in the Hat, a Werewolf, Harry Potter, Superheroes, Wednesday, a Pilot and many more! We also had some amazing staff outfits... I think my favourite was Mrs Twit!

We also had a prize donated to school by a parent in 2LB and Sydney the therapy dog and his handler Laura from Pooles Paws came to visit class 2LB. The pupils absolutely loved it and Sydney was adorable!

A huge well done to Class 3/4LS for their amazing poetry and reading at Crewe Train Station - we are super proud! (More details below).

Springfield also hosted a wonderful inter-school sporting event (photo's below). A huge thank you to the staff for organising that and well done to everyone who participated.

Hope you all enjoy a lovely weekend and Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mums, nana's, auntie's and carers.

Lisa & Kim

Lisa Hodgkison Headteacher Crewe and Wilmslow Kim Cepeda-Wilson Head of School Crewe

Dates for the Diary



Comic Relief Red Nose Day is on Friday 15th March

Pupils are invited to wear non-uniform/wear red.

Donations can be made online to https://www.comicrelief.com/homepage/



World Down Syndrome Day Thursday 21st March

Pupils are invited to come into school wearing odd socks!

The theme is 'End the Stereotypes'.

Donations can be made online to https://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/

PSHE Afternoon

Hello Everyone

Following on from the success of the recent English meeting for parents hosted by Mrs Rivers and Mrs Smallwood, we would like to invite you to attend an afternoon all about PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education).

This will take place on Thursday 21st March 1.30-2.30 at The Hub based on the Apollo Campus.

The session will be lead by myself, Amanda Leigh (Upper School Lead and Safeguarding Lead in Crewe) and Fiona Hartley (Deputy Headteacher and Safeguarding Lead in Wilmslow). PSHE is a huge part of your child's curriculum and also covers more personalised and holistic aspects of their development and progress. We will provide you with a general over view of how the subject area is planned and delivered in school, and answer any immediate queries you may have. We will also be happy to share suggestions and ideas about what you would like us to share with you in future sessions.

If you would like to attend, please let me know via e-schools so we have an idea of numbers for the day.

Also, if you have any questions before then please don't hesitate to get in touch either via eschools or by phoning school. We look forward to seeing you there.

Amanda and Fiona.

Poetry Event

In December we were sent an invitation to take part in a poetry event with Crewe Railway Station and Avanti West Coast. They were putting a publication together with poems about trains written by classes of students in Cheshire.

3/4LS took up the challenge and put our poetry heads on to have a go.

We wrote an acrostic on trains and sent it in.

As a result, we have had it published in a poetry booklet and were invited to Crewe station to read out our poem at an event put on to celebrate the efforts of all our young people.

On Thursday morning we walked to Crewe station and read out our poem. We were then invited into first class lounge for refreshments. A very exciting morning!

To recognise our efforts, Avanti have sent in 200 hundred free books into school. They are beautiful and will be enjoyed by many pupils.

In addition to this, later this term we are being joined by Gareth Williams a published poet, to work with two of our secondary classes to write some more poetry.

Fantastic efforts by 3/4LS and a huge thanks to Crewe Station and Avanti for allowing us to take part and spoiling us with such lovely books.

Trains come into Crewe

Rushing people everywhere

All trying to board.

Inside the carriage

Now we sit, relax and chat.

Soon we will be there.

The Springfield Multi-Sports Festival

On Monday Springfield were delighted to host The Springfield Multi-Sports Festival.

Children from Springfield, Acton and Calveley School enjoyed taking part in a Sports Festival. The children practised their jumping, running, hopping, climbing, rolling and throwing skills as they undertook a fun and exciting carousel of activities in the Sports Barn, Playground and Mugga Court.

After a well-deserved drink and a biscuit, the children were presented with their participation Certificates. Simon and the rest of the staff involved were so proud of the effort, attitude and resilience shown by all of the children involved.

They were an absolute credit to their schools.

The School Gate

Family Hubs / Family Help Drop In Sessions

All families and young people need a bit of help from time to time and the Family Help Team are here to do just that.

We have a drop in session at each of our Family Hubs/Children Centres where members of the team will be on hand to provide free information, advice and support. We support families with children aged 0-19 (25 with special educational needs and disabilities) and we aim to make it easier for you to ask for help, and get you the right support at the right time and if this is not us we will make sure you are in touch with other services who may be able to help.

- NorthDrop ins are held from 10am-12pm at;
- Congleton Family Hub every Monday (except bank holidays)
- Oakenclough Family Hub every Tuesday
- Ash Grove Family Hub every Tuesday
- Hurdsfield Children Centre every Wednesday
- Macclesfield Family Centre Macclesfield Town Hall every Thursday
- SouthMonday Oak Tree Family Hub 9am-1pm
- Tuesday Monks Family Hub 1pm-5pm
- Thursday Oak Tree Family Hub 1pm-5pm
- Friday Monks Family Hub 9am-1pm
- EHIPS = If you are receiving Ehips, please go into your portal or contact Shortbreaks team to renew.

Friends of Springfield



At our last FoS meeting, our wonderful Committee Secretary, Kate Bentley put forward lots of great ideas on how we can support our students, staff and families and during half term, we launched one of those ideas.

Springfield Cares delivers a care package containing some essential items and little treats for students and their families/carers who are going through significant surgery and stays in hospital.

We'll be looking ahead with the school team to make sure other students with planned hospital stays receive care packages too.

If you have any ideas you would like to share, you can email our Chairperson, Helen Knight <u>helen.knight@springfield.cheshire.sch.uk</u> or join us at a meeting. **Our next meeting is this** coming Thursday 14th March in the main school building at 12pm.

It's easy to contribute to our initiatives - you can **sign up for FREE** to <u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk</u> and search for 'Friends of Springfield School, Crewe' as your chosen cause - the school will receive a percentage of your eligible purchases

And for just £1 per week, you can be in with a chance of winning a **weekly jackpot of £25,000** whilst also supporting the school by playing <u>www.yourschoollottery.co.uk</u>

SUPER 1s Cricket Hubs Cheshire

Please see posters below for free weekly Cricket Hubs for anyone with a Disability around Cheshire and beyond.

Super 1s is an amazing program which allows people with a disability to play, learn and compete with like minded people and is fully funded by the Lords Taverners.



Easter Holiday Clubs - Astbury Water Sports Centre

At Astbury Watersports we have an amazing Easter Holiday Club for any child who is interested in the outdoors to thrive in. The club is bookable age 7 and up, runs 9-5 and is an exciting and educational way to spend the holidays.



Dance Class

Please see details below of a dance class specifically for children with additional needs.



Our NHS Team

Nursing Team

Direct phone numbers to the nursing team are:

01270 826151 there is an answerphone on this.

01270 826150 there is no answerphone on this.

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy

Hayley Mitchell, Physiotherapist, is in school Monday to Friday

Caitlin Graham-Smith, Physiotherapist, working in school Thursdays and Fridays

Lucy Webb, Occupational Therapist works Monday, Wednesday, Thursday; and is part of the Therapy Outreach Programme.

Therapy Assistants: Liz Lehm, Jane Mather, Grace Bullen, and Megan Powell

Yvonne Williams, Occupational Therapist works on a Monday.

Physio/OT direct line:	01270 826153
Wheelchair assessment unit:	01270 826323
Wheelchair repairs: Rosscare	0151 6536000

Speech Therapy

Phone the school on 01270 691900 or on direct line 01270 826152. Jo Currie is in school Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Alex Makin is in school Wednesday morning, Thursday, and Friday. Cathy Webster and Rachel Turner are our Speech and Language Therapy Assistants Email: joanne.currie2@mcht.nhs.uk alex.makin@mcht.nhs.uk Or contact via eSchools.

Uniform

Our uniform supplier is **Badged**.

Address: Cockayne House, Love Ln, Sandbach CW11 2TS

Phone: 01477 500504

You can order via the link above or visit the store to check sizing and try on the uniform. They are very SEN friendly and will arrange for a quiet zone if needed.

Contact Us

If you need to contact us:

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