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Newsletter- Week 14

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Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. Last week was a great week with lots of festive joy around school. The pantomime was a roaring success- thanks to Mrs Fearn for organising it all...oh no she didn't, oh yes she did! We have raffle tickets on sale for another week or two so please do buy/sell as many as you can- we have some amazing prizes available this year- please see the attached prize list! All funds support future special events!

Department for Education Updates: Due to the latest guidelines all residential visits have been postponed until Easter which we presume means that both Robinwood and London will not go ahead. We have heard from Robinwood to confirm but not the London company yet so we will chase this and communicate with parents directly and as soon as possible. We also found out this week that KS1 SATS have been cancelled for 2021 and that the phonics check and Y6 SATS will be pushed back an extra week. We have sent out a text message stating the dates in question to ensure that parents do not book holidays or non-essential medical appointments on those dates.

Reminder: Christmas Cards, Gifts and Fundraising: Please note that this year, Christmas cards in school will not be posted in reception- we can only allow cards to be exchanged in each bubble between direct class mates and staff. Envelopes will be disposed of in school and the cards can be brought home in book bags. While we always appreciate how supportive and thoughtful our families are we must also ask that parents do not provide staff with gifts this year to limit the passing of materials between households. If any parents would like to support a local charity instead- totally optional of course- one of our staff is supporting their parent through cancer at present and we would welcome any donations to MacMillan Cancer Research. Our staff will not be exchanging gifts either and we will instead make a donation to Hallam FM's Mission Christmas. We have a small number of special Christmas Cards available this year at £2.50 per pack through the School Money system and by clicking on school shop! The cards will be given to pupils this week and brought home in book bags.

Design Techonology skills: F2, Y1 and Y2 pupils have loved their Hepp DT projects recently- we were so impressed by their skills and their final products! This week, we have special DT projects in Y3-6 led by our DT leader Mrs Tomlinson who is working alongside the staff to upskill all teachers and engage more children than ever in fantastic DT projects!

Gaming: As social skills are so important to success in life we have once again teamed up with Imagination Gaming who will be in school working with Y5 and Y6 tomorrow! We hope to see them back in school to work with other classes in the New Year. As ever, all activities are risk assessed and the staff have not worked with other schools for a 48 hour period. All resources used are exclusive to one bubble- we're really proud to keep providing exciting events that are safe and well organised to ensure that they are COVID secure.

Events to Christmas: A reminder that all Christmas key dates are on our website at www.springvaleprimary.org/diary-dates which are updated daily. This Friday we have our Christmas radio show on Penistone FM (95.7 FM) at 11am and our Christmas school show launches live on Youtube at 6pm! Please make a big, family Christmas launch evening of our show- the children and staff have worked on it and tried to make it fun for all of the family! You will receive a link when it is ready to view and it will be available over the entire Christmas period!

Have a great week everyone and please stay safe! Kind Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

Week 13 Information	2019/20 Average	Week 14 Diary Dates
Attendance: 99.9% (98.4%) Late marks: 0 GREEN LIGHTS: 98.7%	Attendance: 98.5% (94.8) Late marks: 1 GREEN LIGHTS: 99.2%	DINNER MENU WEEK 3 Imagination Gaming: Monday AM- Y6, PM- Y5 DT Projects: Monday Y3/4 and Y5/6 Tuesday Thursday 10 th : Hepp DT Day Y2/F2 Friday 11 th : Star of the Week Assembly Friday 11 th : Christmas radio show 11am-12noon on Penistone FM Friday 11 th : Springvale Christmas Show on Youtube from 6pm
Class of the Week: Y2 Sensational Seacoles with 100%		