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Week 9 Newsletter

Monday 6th November 2023

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We hope everyone had a wonderful half term break! The final week was fantastic with so much to enjoy! The children sang beautifully at the Harvest Festival and made our grandparent guests very proud indeed! Thank you so much for your Harvest donations- they were delivered straight after our show and went down incredibly well. We have received so many kind messages from the recipients and very many comments too about how well behaved the children were both in the show and out in the community as they delivered the special parcels! Parents' evening also went very well and over 200 parents attended to work in partnership with us to ensure that all children are settled in and making good progress so far. Thank you again for your incredible and ongoing support. We ended the term with a Hallowe'en fun day- discos, dress up, games and activities. The children looked wonderful and we all had so much fun! It really was a wonderful first half term to launch the year and we are now heading into the Christmas fun for the next seven weeks. Mrs Fearn is on the mend but currently not back in school, if any SEND matters could be emailed to the school office please. For the time being, myself and our senior staff are available and on hand should you need anything. We're also launching our Autumn parent feedback link, you can find it here: <https://forms.office.com/e/LkPcXTpE0U>

Christmas Raffle: We will soon be announcing our Christmas offer for children and their families. Your amazing generosity to support our grand Christmas Raffle has often made the Christmas events at Springvale heavily subsidised or even completely free to all families. We are now reaching out to everyone to seek gifts, donations and support in any way you can to get together a marvellous set of prizes to help us to attract a record number of tickets sold! Over the next few weeks please do all you can to find donations from businesses or local organisations who could help. All donations are gratefully received. We hope to produce a list of prizes in three weeks as we start to sell tickets. Any donations can be sent in to school for the attention of the school office. We will launch the traditional class hampers in a few weeks too.

Clubs: Our new batch of clubs all begin this week! All collections from clubs are at 4.15pm from the main reception area please. Please note that from this week to the end of February half term, all Y5/6 pupils need to be collected after clubs due to the dark early evenings.

Diary Dates: We have already published the key dates up to Christmas and in next week's newsletter we will confirm all events up to the Christmas break with more precise timings and details. Please note that a Christingle event has been added at 10.30am on Sunday 3rd December- all are welcome but it would be particularly useful if anyone who attends singing club on a Monday evening could save the date as they will perform at this event! WE have also recently sent messages to F1 and F2 families to confirm the precise arrangements for the Christmas shows for EYFS on Friday 15th December. As there is currently no PM nursery group we will have the Nursery show at 10.30am and F2 will perform at 11am and then again at 2pm. Children can be collected straight after the shows if preferred.

Sports Updates: This Thursday we have a special 'family' sports event for our P4Sport offering at PGS in the Sports Hall. Any KS1 family can attend to take part together as parent and child. I will be there between 4-5pm to support the event and hope to see lots of Springvale families getting involved! Please just reply to the email sent on Sunday afternoon to secure your place by Wednesday evening. The KS2 football on Friday has been moved to the afternoon and will now be in the school hall at Springvale as the weather has made the pitch unsafe to play on for some time.

Christmas Card Competition: Our local MP, Miriam Cates, is holding a Christmas competition. If anyone would like to take part please send in an A4 design by Wednesday. We have pre-warned children in assembly!

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Regards

Mr L McClure and Mrs R Fearn

Executive Headteacher and Head of School

Key Dates	Weekly Stats and Info
Dinner Menu: Week 1 'new' menu Wellbeing Theme: Remembrance Music of the Week: Queen Wednesday 8 th : Y3-Y6 BYC workshops (PM) Thursday 9 th : KS1 family sports event (4-5pm) see emails to sign up Friday 10 th : Star of the Week, Dress Down for Remembrance (red and black theme- no donation required), KS2 football in PM	Attendance last week: 96.1% Late marks last week: 1 Class of the week: Y5 Kestrels with 98.5% GOOD to be GREEN last week: 100%