

Springwood Heath Primary School

'Success through Caring and Learning'

Friday 13th September



Introduction

This week at school, we began with an insightful assembly that sparked some meaningful conversations among the children. We asked them a simple but powerful question: "**How do we deal with unexpected events?**"

To illustrate this idea, we shared the story of two astronauts, **Sunita Williams** and **Barry Whitmore**, who found themselves stranded on their space station due to an unforeseen technical fault. The children were fascinated by their journey and the challenges the astronauts face, and they used this story as a starting point to discuss their own experiences of unexpected events.

Through lively discussions, we explored how we can respond to surprises whether they are positive or negative. The children were encouraged to think about resilience, adaptability, and the importance of staying calm in challenging situations. They shared their thoughts on how they react when something doesn't go as planned, and how they can use those moments to learn and grow. It was inspiring to hear their insights and to see them reflect on their own responses to life's surprises. We hope this conversation continues at home, as it's a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about managing both disappointments and delightful surprises with grace and confidence.



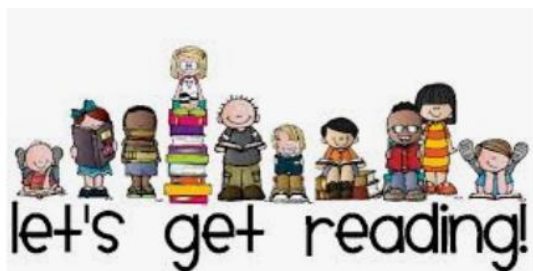
Mrs Costello
Headteacher

Friends of Springwood Heath FOSH

FOSH is restarting this year with a focus on many exciting events for the term and year ahead. The first meeting is taking place on Friday 20th September at 2.30pm in school for those that can make it.



Let's Get Springwood Heath Reading Week!



We are launching our reading week in October to encourage the children to develop their love of reading both in school and at home. We have lots of fun activities and fabulous competitions planned for the children and we are inviting parents in to school to take part in a workshop designed to support you support your child at home with reading. Please see dates below which have been added to the newsletter.

School Council 2024-2025

On Wednesday, we had our class hustings and elections to elect our new School Council representatives. Today, the results were announced during our Celebration Assembly. Congratulations to all our new School Councillors pictured along with Clara, Year 4 and Grace, Year 5. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday 18th September at 9.00 in the Conference Room. We can't wait to begin planning for the year ahead!



International Day of Languages

We are excited to announce that we will be celebrating International Day of Languages on the 26th of September! This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to celebrate the diversity of languages and cultures within our school community.

To mark the occasion, we invite the children to come dressed in the traditional clothing or the colours of a flag that represents a language or country important to them. It promises to be a fun and vibrant day, celebrating the many cultures that make our school so special!

We look forward to seeing all the colorful outfits and learning more about the languages and traditions from around the world.

Class	Language
Reception and Owls	Spanish
Year 1	Italian
Year 2	Greek
Year 3	German
Year 4	Arabic
Year 5	Polish
Year 6	Mandarin Chinese
Swans	French
Starlings	Swahili
Robins	Hindi



Attendance

Reception	97.52%
Year 1	99.34%
Year 2	98.24%
Year 3	94.61%
Year 4	95.73%
Year 5	89.94%
Year 6	96.37%
Whole school	96%



Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Thursday 19 th September	Y3 Football Competition
Friday 20 th September	Friends of Springwood Meeting 2.30pm
Thursday 26 th September	International Day of Languages – Dress in the flag colour or theme of your class's allocated language
Friday 27 th September	Flu Immunisations
Thursday 3 rd October	Y5 + 6 Football Competition
Wednesday 16 th October	Y6 Class Assembly 9am – Y6 Parents Invited
Thursday 17 th October	Y5 + 6 Girls Football Competition
Monday 21 st -Friday 25 th October	Let's Get Springwood Heath Reading Week!
Monday 21 st October	Y5+6 Parents Reading Workshop 2.30pm
Tuesday 22 nd October	SEND Reading Workshop 9am
Tuesday 22 nd October	Y1+2 Parents Reading Workshop 2.30pm
Wednesday 23 rd October	Y4 Class Assembly – Y4 Parents Invited
Wednesday 23 rd October	Y3+4 Parents Reading Workshop 2.30pm
Thursday 24 th October	Reception Class Reading Workshop 2.30pm
Friday 25 th October	School closes for half term
Monday 4 th November	School closed – INSET Day
Monday 5 th November	School reopens – Autumn 2
Thursday 7 th November	Y5 + 6 Dodgeball Competition
Tuesday 19 th November	Reception Open Evening 4pm
Thursday 21 st November	Y3 + 4 Mat Ball Competition
Friday 22 nd November	Tempest Individual and Sibling Photographs
Tuesday 26 th and Wednesday 27 th November	Parents evenings 3.30-6pm
Wednesday 27 th November	Y5 Class Assembly – Y5 Parents Invited
Wednesday 4 th December - Tuesday 10 th December	Book Fair After School – Library 3.30-4pm
Thursday 5 th December	Y3+4 Multiskills Competition
Thursday 12 th December	Robins and Starlings Nativity 10am
Monday 16 th December	Reception Class and Owls Nativity 2pm (2 tickets per child allocated)
Monday 16 th December	Y1 + 2 + Swans Nativity 9.30am (Y1 Parents allocated 2 tickets per child)
Tuesday 17 th December	FOSH Santa Visits
Tuesday 17 th December	FOSH Christmas Fair 3.30-5pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Y1 + 2 + Swans Nativity 9.30am (Y2 Parents allocated 2 tickets per child)
Friday 20 th December	School closes for Christmas 1.30pm