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SPRINGSIDE PRIMARY & EYC

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Newsletter



Staffing Update

We are pleased to share that Miss Kirsty Lee was appointed as our Targeted Support Teacher at Springside Primary. This is a new post within North Ayrshire Council and replaces the previous 'Pupil Support Teacher' role. Mrs Nicola McCulloch will finish with us at the end of June.

Mrs Marion Kerr, our temporary Early Years Practitioner has also moved onto pastures new. A new temporary Early Years Practitioner has been appointed and we hope to have her starting in our Early Years Centre soon.

Mrs Lorna Cook, our Education Business Assistant retires at the end of this term. After working in Springside for 20+ years, this will be a huge loss. This job is advertised currently.

Attendance

Missing school impacts massively on children's progress. Please ensure where possible that your child attends school every day.

Anything less than 90% is a concern and will have serious implications on learning. Holidays during term time are discouraged, due to the impact on learning and attainment.



Absence Procedures

A gentle reminder that if your child is ill, please notify the office by email, text or telephone by 9:30am. If for some reason we have not heard from you, we will attempt to make contact by phone or send you a text asking you to contact us.

Our priority is that all children are safe. If we do not hear from you, we may need to take further action.

Your support with this matter is greatly appreciated.

Spring Inside and See Learning

Our next 'Spring Inside and See Learning' session will take place on **Friday 2nd May** (EYC pupils - 9:00-9:45am, P1-P7 pupils - 2:15-2:45pm).

This is a great opportunity to see your child's class, talk to their teacher and join in 'Interdisciplinary Learning' based activities with your child.

Due to space, we ask that only one person attends each session.

We are aware that some parents/carers may be working or have other commitments and will be unable to attend, however if another family member wishes to come instead, then they are more than welcome, e.g. a grandparent.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible - our pupils are excited to share their learning with you too!



Snacks

You may have been aware that from May 2024, your child has had access to a free mid-morning snack including fruit and healthy home baking.



Unfortunately this provision has now finished. We ask that you please provide your child with a healthy snack for playtime.



Homework Club

A reminder that our Homework Club is up and running again. Homework Club takes place on a Monday from 3:00pm-3:30pm in the gym hall. Children can come along if accompanied by an adult. We look forward to seeing you there!

P6 iCycle

This term, we have P6 pupils participating in iCycle sessions, led by Miss Gaw.

During these sessions, pupils will gain valuable knowledge and practical experience about cycling proficiency and safety.



Uniform

A reminder that there is an expectation to wear school uniform to school. Whilst we do not expect children to wear uniform with school logo, we ask that jumpers are plain and not branded.

We are aware of how close to the end of session we are and would not want you having to purchase new things. If your child is experiencing a growth spurt (and we can see that some definitely are!), please come in to school to choose spare uniforms.



Reading Challenge

A huge thank you to the Reading for Engagement Committee who have organised a 'Reading Challenge' for P1-P7 pupils. This will happen for the full month of May.

To foster a love of reading, pupils are encouraged to read as much as possible in school. There will be prizes for winning pupils!



Football

A big well done to our P7s who took part in the Sports Leader Tournament at Greenwood Academy!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 6 th May (6:00pm-7:00pm)	Learning and Teaching Session with Greenwood Academy (TEAMS) for P7 pupils, parents and carers
Friday 23 rd May	In-Service Day
Monday 26 th May	Holiday
Tuesday 27 th May	Pupils and Staff return to School
Thursday 5 th June	Sports Day
Friday 6 th June	EYC/P1 Transition – Parent/Carer Lunch
Friday 6 th June (11:15am)	Greenwood Academy Virtual Assembly for P7 pupils
Monday 9 th June (6:00pm-7:00pm)	P7 Briefing Evening for Parents at Greenwood Academy
Wednesday 11 th June	P7 Transition Day at Greenwood Academy
Thursday 12 th June	P7 Transition Day at Greenwood Academy
Monday 16th June (pm)	P7 Leavers' Assembly
Tuesday 17 th June	Heads of Ayr Farm Park Trip (Whole school and EYC)
Wednesday 18 th June	P7 ACES Day
Monday 23 rd June	P7 Fun Day (Beach trip)
Thursday 26 th June (am)	EYC Graduation
Thursday 26 th June (pm)	P7 Pupils vs. Teachers Match and Ice-Cream Van
Friday 27 th June (am)	Prizegiving
Friday 27 th June	School Closes