

Spring Meadow Infant and Nursery School Weekly Update 25th September 2020



Key Dates:

Monday 28th September—Data Collection Sheet to be returned to school
Weds. 30th September—deadline for online consent for Flu vaccinations
23rd October — Staff Professional Day: school closed
26th—30th October — Autumn half-term holiday
2nd November — Start of second half-term
18th November — Flu vaccinations for children (see deadline date above)
18th December — End of Autumn Term

Data Collection Sheet

Every parent in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should have received an envelope on Thursday, with your child's **Data Collection Sheet**. This is a *crucial* document for you to update annually, with key information about your child. It is absolutely essential all of the required information is accurate for a number of reasons. Telephone numbers and email addresses enable us to contact you when needed, especially in an emergency. Accurate details of who can collect your child (and who *cannot*) are also essential for us to ensure your child is always kept safe. Medical and Dietary information can often change as your child goes up through the school, so ensuring that we are aware of any changes means that we can meet their needs.

Please amend, sign and return your child's Data Collection Sheet by Monday 28th September so that details can be updated in our school information system promptly. If your child was absent on Thursday, please ask your child's teacher for your named envelope. Thank you for your co-operation.

Year One find treasure in our Forest School



In Year One we have been focussing on the text *The Queen's Hat*. When we went to Forest School this week we tried to make our own crowns and hats using bendy sticks we found around the willow tunnels. We decorated them with natural materials that we found, such as leaves and feathers. We have also used construction materials to try and create some of the buildings that the Queen's hat passed when it flew off her head in the wind!

Spring Meadow and St. Mary's link gate

We continue to review and revise access on and off the school site, to ensure this is a safe process for all.

It was brought to my attention this week that the journey from St. Mary's to Spring Meadow is something of a hazardous one, due to the narrowness of the path along High Barns between the two schools. With the link gate closed, the only way to get to us is via this narrow path, where the kerb slopes towards the road and there is a bus stop.

I met with Mrs Ireland-Curtis, the Headteacher of St. Mary's, on Wednesday and we both agreed we could open the link gate between our two schools on a *one-way basis* from Monday 28th September.

This means parents who take their child to St. Mary's first can then follow an additional one-way system within St. Mary's, to access Spring Meadow via the link gate. This means you will be able to enter into Spring Meadow and follow our regular one-way system through the Nursery playground and round to the Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Rainbow classes.

Please note: You will *not* be able to enter St Mary's from Spring Meadow through this link gate; you will need to continue using the path along High Barns.

One Way System

Thank you to all parents for following this system. It is time-consuming, I know, but it is in place for safety reasons. It is also in place as a result of the risk assessments we were compelled to do by the Local Authority. It is not an optional facility. The process was approved by the County as well as the teaching and support staff unions.

Please continue to follow the one-way route. If you have mobility difficulties, please let Kate know in the office via e-mail admin@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk and we will arrange for a member of staff to collect your child from you at the gate area at the front of the school.

School Menu Week One: 28th September — 2nd October

Please note that the choice of main meal for this week will be on **Tuesday and Friday**. **Reception parents: please send your weekly lunch bookings to admin@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk (by Friday)**

Teachers who work in classes across the school

We thought it would be useful for you to know where and on which days all of our teachers work at Spring Meadow. To email your child's teacher, just use their initial and surname then @springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk

Nursery: Monday: Mrs Carter ([acarter@](mailto:acarter@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))
Tuesday–Friday: Mrs Peachey ([rpeachey@](mailto:rpeachey@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Daisy Class: Monday–Friday: Miss Hodson ([lhodson@](mailto:lhodson@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Bluebell Class: Monday–Wednesday and Friday: Mrs Jones
Thursday: Mrs Woods ([ajones@](mailto:ajones@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk)) ([lwoods@](mailto:lwoods@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Willow Class: Monday–Wednesday and Friday: Mrs Toth
Thursday: Mrs Colbran ([ltoth@](mailto:ltoth@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk)) ([fcolbran@](mailto:fcolbran@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Oak Class: Monday–Friday: Miss Bean ([ybean@](mailto:ybean@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Maple Class: Monday–Friday: Mrs Tomlin ([ctomlin@](mailto:ctomlin@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Woodpecker Class: Monday–Thursday: Mrs Kansu ([lkansu@](mailto:lkansu@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))
Friday: Mrs Colbran

Wren Class: Monday–Thursday: Miss Kyndt ([skyndt@](mailto:skyndt@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))
Friday: Mrs Woods

Rainbow Class: Monday–Friday: Mrs Latimer ([slatimer@](mailto:slatimer@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk))

Introducing Your Early Intervention Family Worker: Michelle West



Early Intervention Family Workers offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life in a relaxed and confidential environment. These areas include: challenging behaviour, routines, supporting emotions and wellbeing, parenting strategies, building resilience and confidence, any other family challenges you might be facing. Michelle is a very experienced Family Worker who can provide *virtual support* during the current coronavirus pandemic, via phone or email.

If you would like to speak with Michelle, please contact her on 01353 612899 or 07775 824673 or email: michelle.west@cambridgeshire.gov.uk