

Spring Vale Primary

Weekly News - 23rd June 2023

Y2 KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL VISIT

This week Year 2 Badgers had an overnight stay at Kingswood. The children had a fantastic trip filled with exciting activities and a valuable learning experience. A big thank you to all parents for allowing your child to go on this visit and also to the staff who attended.



LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

Please note that from the start of the new academic year, all leave of absence requests during term time will be unauthorised. We understand that there may be exceptional circumstances that require a child to be absent, but it is crucial to emphasise the importance of regular attendance for the educational progress of our pupils. If the leave of absence request is for an exceptional circumstance, you would need to provide appropriate documentation or evidence to support this. Whilst we cannot guarantee that these requests will be authorised, each case will be carefully considered on an individual basis.



TECHNOLOGY VISIT

In Year 3 and Year 6 this week, they had an exciting day of learning as they delved into the fascinating world of computing and coding. With the help of Squirrel Learning, the young minds took on the challenge that combined creativity, problem-solving, and technology. The day began with the students using Lego WeDo kits, which they eagerly assembled to build models. However, the true magic happened when they were introduced to the concept of programming. The children brainstormed and designed algorithms, step by step, to program their Lego models. They explored the fundamentals of coding, such as loops, conditions, and sequencing, discovering how their commands could make their creations move, light up, and produce sounds. As they collaborated and shared ideas, the classroom transformed into a hub of innovation and excitement. The children learned the invaluable skills of problem-solving and resilience along the way.



Online Payment System

As previously advised, Pay360 will soon be unavailable. We will be using an alternative online payments platform, Schoolcomms Gateway. We have made the decision to disable Pay360 from 29th June 2023 and start using the Schoolcomms Gateway from 1st July 2023. Please note, after 1st July, you will only be able to make online payments on the Schoolcomms Gateway. Any dinner money and breakfast club balances will be transferred over from Pay360 on 30th June. **You will not be able to make any payments on Pay360 on 30th June.**

The transition should be fairly straightforward but please bear with us whilst we implement the new system.

You will find all registration and payment information here:-

<https://www.springvaleprimary.co.uk/onlinepayments>

Registration instructions: <https://tinyurl.com/4z42zw39>

Payment guide: <https://tinyurl.com/yckp5nhn>



Moving Up Morning

Children in years Reception to Year 5 will be spending the morning in their new classes on Friday 14th July. Look out for the newsletter next week where you will find information regarding classes for the next academic year.



Planned Works During School Time

Next week, the Local Authority will be repairing some damaged brickwork and repointing the mortar. This is in readiness for replacement windows which will be fitted during the summer holidays.

There will be a slight disruption to Key Stage 2 playground. The photograph below shows the area that will be cordoned off for the work to be carried out safely.

