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Dear Parent/Carer

RE. DIARY DATES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

I am writing to update you about exciting events during the Summer Term at Springwell Learning Community.

MAY 2017

Half Term Holiday

The Special and Alternative Academies will close on Friday 26th May and both return on Monday 5th June 2017

JUNE 2017

Cygnets Programme

Parents/Carers with children with a diagnosis of autism are invited to attend a 5 week programme which aims to give a better understanding of the condition and techniques to manage.

There will be both a day and evening course commencing in June – please contact Rachel Musgrave (Parent Support Advisor) if interested in attending. Rachel Musgrave's contact number is 07702897563

SEN Day Thursday 15th June at Barnsley Football Club E Stand – Hospitality Suite Doors open at 9.30 while 1.30 or 2.30pm while 7.30pm

There is an open invitation to parents to attend the event. There will be representatives from services within the community for parents and children.

Further information is available from the Family Information Service 0800 0345340

Special Academy Sports Day – Thursday 29th June 2017

Parents/Carers are welcome to make their own way to school for 1.00pm if they would like to watch Sports Day.

JULY 2017

Community Day – Thursday 6th July 2017

This is an opportunity for all students to be involved in a range of activities within the local community. Class teaching staff will contact parents/carers with further details nearer the date.

Celebration Day - 14th July

More information to follow nearer the date.

Summer Holiday Break

The Special and Alternative Academies will close on Friday 21st July 2017. INSET dates for next year will be confirmed before the summer break and published on the website.

Family Learning Day – Wednesday 19th July 2017

All parents/carers are required to attend Family Learning Day with their child and we warmly welcome everyone to attend.

Family Learning Day is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress in all areas and look at their learning.

School uniform will be available for you to purchase.

We are hoping to have workers from agencies such as:-

SENDIASS (formally Parent Partnership)

Provide independent advice regarding schooling.

Cerebra

Provide support and information for children with neurological difficulties. They also run sleep clinics for children with problematic sleep patterns.

Lifeline

Give advice and support to young people affected by alcohol and drugs.

FIS: Family Intervention Service

Provide support and information, assisting with a range of problems.

Recovery College:

Provide courses for adult learners.

Education Welfare Office:

Provide support to parents/carers about school attendance.

Youth Service:

Information about services available for children in the borough.

Early Help:

Provide family support and youth provision.

Health Foods

As a Healthy School, we ask that parents and carers who provide packed lunches include healthy food and fruit and avoid chocolate, sugary snacks or crisps. Please

note that sugary drinks are not allowed and will be removed until the end of the day if they are brought into school.

Gadgets

To ensure a calm and focused learning environment we request that pupils do not bring electronic gadgets, computer games, iPad tablets or mobile phones into school. If pupils do bring equipment into school, it will be locked away by staff until the end of the day. Please avoid any issues arising by keeping such items at home. If you need to contact your child in an emergency, please contact the school's reception on 01226 291133.

Keystage 4

Our Keystage 4 students will soon be commencing their exams, we wish them all the best of luck. Please find enclosed a leaflet (if appropriate) on supporting your child with exam stress. We appreciate your support in helping your child at this challenging time. Please get in touch with school if you need any further support.

Fundraising for Lincs 2 Nepal

We will be focusing on lots of fundraising activities to support raising money to build a classroom in the Nepal School, Jeevan Joyti School. Please visit the Lincs2Nepal website www.lincs2nepal.org for further information.

Future Dates and Events

Please note that dates and times for events are on the school website, sent out on twitter and via text message. If you don't have your own account you can access the school twitter account on [twitter.com@springwellLC](https://twitter.com/springwellLC).

This will allow you to view, but not comment on tweets. Please follow us if you have an account. On our website, you will also be able to follow your child's class blog to see what they have been learning and enjoying in school.

Please feel free to contact school if you need any further information.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Ms V Watts
Associate Executive Principal

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Executive Principal



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