

Term 1 Newsletter

Springboard

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Hello everyone,

Welcome to a whole new term, the start of a whole new academic year. We are thrilled to have opened an additional playroom and offering more spaces and support to families. You will notice that we have had a re branding and have a new logo and uniform to get us off to this incredible start. Thank you once again to the design team at Milk & Tweed who provided their expertise for free.

You will know that it is through the hard and dedicated work done by the staff and volunteers of Springboard that help us to achieve this. Without volunteer support our gardens would be untidy, our paper would be unshared, our families would have less cups of tea!

As a small charity we require the financial and friendly support of all willing volunteers. If you are interested in getting involved and working with us, then please contact me. We have volunteer roles in all aspects of our work. See our website for further details. In the holidays we delivered a successful summer program that was well supported by a wide range of families. Thank you for your support. These activities are funded through grants and donations and so we really are glad that they are appreciated by everyone.

With so many changes it can be a lot to take in, be sure to comment and feedback to us. Your children are the centre of our centre.

Best wishes



Term Dates:

Term 1: Monday 9 September to Wednesday 23 October (inclusive).

Term 2: Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December (inclusive).

Rabbits sessions will take place on a Tuesday 10am-11.30am

Parent Notices

Please remember to check that all the details are correct on your child's registration form on



Springboard

Upcoming Events

September 28

Charity Clubbathon – Hardenhuish School

October 12

Sing for Springboard (see below)



Welcome to Clare

Clare Sutton may be a familiar face to some. Clare has previously worked with us at Springboard and also in partnership with us in her most recent work at The Rise Children Centre

We are delighted to welcome Clare into the team and look forward to learning from her vast experiences.

Clare will be working across the week in playroom 1 alongside Sarah, Chloe, Jo, Paula and Sabeana

In playroom 2 you will find Simara, Teni, Kirstie, Jo and Sarah Edes all working together in their new environment.



Nursery In A Box. Please check allergy and medicine sections as well as phone numbers and Email addresses are up to date.

We would be grateful if you could label your child's possessions when they come to Springboard. It is particularly helpful for staff if lunchboxes, drink bottles and coats have names on.

The Makaton signs for Term 1 are now on display by the curriculum planning notice board. This term we will be focusing on positional language e.g. in, on, under. Please speak to your child's keyperson if you would like any of the signs demonstrated to you so you can practice them with your child at home.

Don't forget to check the SENCO notice board which is now located at the end of the corridor between playroom 1 and 2. There is lots of information for parents and carers and links to useful resources that you can download at home.

Fundraising news

Christmas Single – We will be filming our Christmas single at Springboard in Chippenham on 12th October. We will have cameras, a drone and even snow on the day -It is amazing what we can do! Please let us know via Facebook or Nursery in A Box if you will be coming to let us know how many adults and children will attending. Doors will open at 11.30am for a 12pm start and we should wrap it up by 1.30pm at the latest. Please note the photographs and film footage taken on the day will be used to promote the single and will be shared on our website, social media and hopefully in the press.

There will be parking adjacent to Springboard and off road, but the Springboard car park will be closed. Song words will be provided so please just arrive in your Christmas attire (bobble hats, tinsel and Christmas jumpers etc. ready for some real fun!

Springboard Merchandise

We now have quite a collection of lovely Springboard Merchandise to help with our fundraising efforts. You may have spotted our teddies, bibs, wristbands and Christmas baubles and Christmas cards on display at Springboard. All the items make great gifts and all proceeds go straight back to Springboard. We can now take card as well as cash so get shopping for a great cause.

Don't forget I am always on the phone: 07936362930 or email: fundraising@springboardchippenham.co.uk

Helen Ashton Community Fundraiser

School Starters

Finally, we will leave you with some wonderful pictures of some of our Springboarders who started Primary School this September. We've been delighted to hear from many of our school starters how their first few weeks at school are going. =



Staff Development

During the first week of September staff worked on their professional development. This included safeguarding updates, manual handling training and IT development.

We pride ourselves on ensuring staff are not only skilled to do their job but motivated in the organizational aims of Springboard. We had a team session co-delivered with Brian Ashton. This was an opportunity to focus on our purpose and explore our whole reason for being Springboard. This session was invigorating and culturally different to our familiar team sessions.

Workshops for Parents and Professionals

Tickets are now on sale for our Autumn/Winter workshops. Please visit our website to book tickets

<https://springboardchippenham.co.uk/workshops/>

October 1

Pictures are Powerful 7-9pm

November 2

Makaton Level 1 9.30-3.30pm

November 23

Pictures are Powerful 9.30-11.30am

November 23

Makaton Taster Christmas Theme 12.30-2pm