



**Extra-Mural Clubs
And Activities
Spring Term 2012**

11th November 2011

Dear Children and Parents,

This booklet describes the clubs and activities on offer at Springmead School for the Spring term. Clubs are offered to children from Reception to Year 6 with an increasing amount of clubs available to children as they move from Pre-preparatory (Years R-2) into Preparatory (Years 3-6). There are over 30 clubs to choose from this term, many, by popular demand, are the same but there are also some new ones!

Children need to decide, with their parent's help, which clubs they want to attend in the next term. Children need to choose a minimum of two clubs, one of which needs to be a sports club; these can be at lunchtime or after school. Think carefully about the balance between playtime and club time so that there is enough time to relax.

Sports clubs will continue during the winter months, make sure you have your coat in, only if the weather is really bad will activities move inside; the club will not be cancelled due to bad weather.

So that the children get the very best from the clubs there will be a limit on the number attending. In the case of more wanting to attend than there are spaces, names may be drawn out of a hat and the remainder will be placed on a waiting list for subsequent terms. Again, dependent on demand, some lunchtime clubs may need to be provided fortnightly. If you are already on a waiting list for a club be sure to make it one of your choices again so that we know you are still interested in going to it.

Parents please note that children choosing extra-mural clubs at the end of the school day will be invoiced for the whole term (at our standard after-school care rate of £2.00 per 30 minutes). Our after school club will still be run in the same way, offering a high tea, craft activities, games, free play and a chance to do homework if your child chooses to. Clubs during the school day remain free.

The Springmead Award Scheme for children in the preparatory department (Years 3-6) will continue in the Spring term.

Please complete the form attached and return it to Karen Grist by Monday 21st November to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions please speak to your class teacher or one of us. Enjoy choosing!

Madeleine Taylor
Principal

Clubs and Activities

This list changes each term to give variety, be sure to let us know about any special requests!

A note about Mid Somerset Festival ~ Year R-6

As a change to previous years we will not be having a club for the rehearsal of poems. Children wanting to learn a poem to recite at the Mid Somerset Festival during the Spring term, will learn it at home and share it with their class each week so that performances can be honed!

Tag Rugby ~ Year 3-6

A chance to learn some new skills or practise some old ones whilst playing a fast paced and exciting game. Fun for both boys and girls.

Ball Skills ~ Year R-2

A chance to learn different ball skills with great games and activities. Come and join in the fun!

Netball ~ Year 3-6

We will be developing our netball skills with lots of fun games and activities, very much to suit boys and girls! There will be a chance to play in netball matches both in school and against other schools.

Centre Stage ~ Year 5-6

Calling all budding actors and actresses at the top of the school! Do you fancy being on the stage? Led by actor and drama teacher John Johnston, this club will hone and refine your growing skills.

Cookery and Craft ~ Year R-6

A chance to practise skills in the kitchen and in the art room! This club will hone cooking skills but will also introduce craft skills. Over the weeks you will be using different techniques and different skills.

Information Technology ~ Year R-2

Dabble with the roamer, cameras, recording equipment, computers and much more! Come and enjoy the world of technology!

Prep Choir ~ Year 3-6

You will be developing your singing skills as well as performing in productions and services and competing in competitions. If you would like to audition to join the choir, write down the choir as one of your club choices. If you are already in the choir and want to continue please list it as one of your choices again.

This term we will be focusing on our songs for the Salisbury Festival. The festival takes place on **Saturday 10th March 2012** and all members of the choir are expected to attend.

Pre-prep Choir ~ Year R-2

You too will be developing your singing skills as well as performing in public. If you would like to audition to join the choir, write down the choir as one of your club choices.

Small World ~ Year R-2

Do you have a good imagination? Come and enjoy spending time playing with the world in miniature with some favourite small world activities.

Language Explorers ~ Year 3-6

Do you love literacy? How would you like to explore the English language in its many guises? Here's your chance to extend and develop your growing skills.

This club is specifically designed to extend children who have a particular talent in literacy. Children for whom this club is aimed will be advised accordingly.

Brain Teasers ~ Year 3-6

Get that brain working with fun maths puzzles and problems. Enjoy playing with numbers and using practical equipment.

The magic maths club is specifically designed to extend children who have a particular talent in maths. Children for whom this club is aimed will be advised accordingly.

Springmead Ensemble Yr 3-6

Are you enjoying learning and playing a musical instrument? Would you like to play with other musicians? The Springmead Ensemble will give you the opportunity to enjoy group music making.

This club is specifically designed for children who have reached at least Grade 1 standard on their instrument. Children for whom this club is aimed at will be advised accordingly.

Karate ~ Year 4-6

Originally developed as a means of self-defence, Karate is a popular competitive sport. Benefits of studying the martial art include improved physical condition, confidence, self-defence and discipline. Friendly but technical lessons from an experienced, registered karate instructor will help you to develop your skills in a safe environment.

Spanish Taster! ~ Year 4-6

Are you a buddy linguist? Come and experience the Spanish language and culture at the fun lunchtime club.

Arts and Crafts ~ Year R-2

A chance to enjoy more time on one of your favourite activities! During the weeks we will be exploring lots of styles of art, using different media and materials with a seasonal theme!

Springmead Buddies ~ Year R-2

Just like the Guide and Scout Association we believe that children develop most when they are 'learning by doing,' and when they are having fun. Run by our own Queen's Guide and qualified cub leader, Mrs Finch will introduce children to a whole range of activities that will lead to new skills, growing confidence and some badges to collect too!

Jewellery making ~ Year 3-4

Jewellery making for boys and girls. Come and learn some new skills and techniques and have fun with like-minded children.

Cross-Country ~ Year 4-6

This club will build your stamina, with various cross-country routes, starting at school and running in Beckington. If you want to represent the school as a cross-country runner, this is your big chance. It is also your chance to see your teachers running too!

Recorders ~ Year 3-6

From *Peas Pudding Hot* to Brahms & Strauss, impress your friends with your musical talents. Learn to read music and be part of an ensemble.

So that we don't have to keep starting at the beginning pupils just get one opportunity to join this club each year, in September! *

Choosing to play the recorder will mean practising the instrument at home each day!

* If you are a Year 6 pupil who was going to Entrance Test Club in the Autumn term you are now able to rejoin recorders

Design and Sew~ Year 5-6

Have a go at designing and sewing clothes for a doll of your choice, would suit boys and girls, action men welcome!

Dance ~ Year R-2 and 5-6

Lots of different styles of dance from across the world to suit boys and girls. Come and enjoy shaking and grooving! Hopefully some of the dances you produce will be seen in school productions later in the year!

Music Makers ~ Year R-2

Enjoy making music and singing? Come to this tuneful club and have a musical feast!

Yoga ~ Year 3-6

Time to get in tune with your body and learn some useful relaxation skills that will be handy throughout your life. Be calm and still and enjoy the moment.

Construction ~ Year R-2

Do you enjoy building and making? Wish you had more time with construction activities? This could be the club for you!

Scrabble and Chess Club ~ Y5-6

Come and enjoy these all time favourite board games. Hone your skills so you can impress the family!

History Detectives ~ Year 3-6

This 'hands-on' club will turn you into history investigators. During the weeks you'll be exploring many different aspects of history with exciting, fun activities. Do you love topic work? If 'yes,' this club will definitely suit you!

Spring Sports ~ Year R-2

This club will help develop all your skills and your love of sport. Take part in a range of games and activities. They will include:

- Obstacle courses
- Ball skills
- Skill challenges

Playground Games ~ Year R-6

Come and learn some traditional games and some new games that you can then share in the playground with your peers. This club counts as a sports club as you will be using your bodies!

Clubs and Activities

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Day	Time	Club	Suitable for:-	Staff
Monday	12.00-12.45	Recorders	Y3-6	Caroline Miller and Georgina Boyden
Monday	12.00-12.45	History Detectives	Y3-6	Sarah Clark
Monday	12.00-12.45	Centre Stage	Y5-6	John Johnston
Monday	12.00-12.45	Yoga	Y5-6	Rachel Murtagh
Monday	12.45-1.30	Construction	YR-2	Stella Barby
Monday	12.45-1.30	Dance	YR-2	Charlotte Heald
Monday	12.45-1.30	Playground Games	YR-2	Ilka Brown
Monday	3.30-4.30	Cookery and Crafts	Y3-6	Ilka Brown
Monday	3.30-4.30	Language Explorers	Y3-6	Jacqueline Beardsley
Tuesday	12.00-12.45	Cross-Country	Y4-6	Laurence Moody and Carol May
Tuesday	12.00-12.45	Design and Sew	Y5-6	Jacqueline Beardsley
Tuesday	12.00-12.45	Yoga	Y3-4	Rachel Murtagh
Tuesday	12.45-1.30	Pre-Prep Choir	YR-2	Charlotte Heald
Tuesday	12.45-1.30	Small World	YR-2	Stacey Watson
Tuesday	3.30-4.30	Tag Rugby	Y3-6	Nick Munckton and Laurence Moody
Tuesday	3.30-4.30	Ball skills	YR-2	Charlotte Heald
Tuesday	3.30-4.30	Ensemble	Y3-6	Caroline Miller
Wednesday	12.00-12.45	Spanish Taster	Y4-6	Sally Cox
Wednesday	12.00-12.45	Dance	Y5-6	Charlotte Heald
Wednesday	12.00-12.45	Jewellery Making	Y3-4	Jo Vaughan
Wednesday	12.45-1.30	Arts and Crafts	YR-2	Jane Dickson
Wednesday	3.30-4.30	Netball	Y5-6	Nick Munckton
Wednesday	3.30-4.30	Netball	Y3-4	Charlotte Heald
Wednesday	3.30-4.30	Cookery and Crafts	YR-2	Ilka Brown
Thursday	No lunch time clubs due to swimming times			
Thursday	3.30-4.30	Karate	Y4-6	Patrick Cooper
Friday	12.00-12.45	Playground Games	Y3-6	Sarah Clark
Friday	12.00-12.45	Prep Choir Please read the important information regarding prep choir contained in the booklet	Y3-6	Caroline Miller and Charlotte Heald
Friday	12.00-12.45	Scrabble and Chess	Y5-6	Nick Munckton
Friday	12.45-1.30	Music Makers	YR-2	Stella Barby
Friday	12.45-1.30	Information Technology	YR-2	Jo Finch
Friday	3.30-4.30	Brain Teasers	Y3-6	Sally Cox
Friday	3.30-4.30	Spring Sports	YR-2	Stella Barby
Friday	3.30-4.30	Springmead Buddies	YR-2	Jo Finch

Springmead Award

The Springmead Award provides an enjoyable, challenging and rewarding programme of personal development for our young people with participants proving their commitment to various activities that they may not normally experience. The Copper, Bronze, Silver and Gold Springmead Awards are taken by pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 respectively. All children in the Preparatory Department are involved in this programme. The elements, at increasing levels of difficulty, include: a hobby; a physical activity; community service; undertaking a first aid course; participating in a residential trip and completing a hike.

The children are provided with an Award booklet at the beginning of the year. As they undertake the various elements they collect a signature to verify participation. The Award is presented at the end of the year to those who have completed each of the elements.

There are very obvious links here with the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme that runs in most senior schools. Similar to the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme the Springmead Award Scheme develops the 'whole child' and enables them to 'achieve' with confidence in many different areas.

Springmead Award Requirements				
	Copper	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Hobby: May take place in or outside of school, examples include: IT club; Choir; Cubs: Brownies; Instrument tuition.	5 sessions	8 Sessions	10 sessions	15 sessions
Physical Activity May take place in or outside of school, (but will not include activities which take place in lesson time), examples include sports clubs; horse riding; swimming; dancing.	5 sessions	8 Sessions	10 sessions	15 sessions
Service Would normally take place in school, examples include: librarian duties; supporting a club for younger children.	5 sessions	8 sessions	10 sessions	15 sessions
First Aid, Young Life Saver	Intro.	Award 1	Award 2	Award 3
Walk	8 km	10 km	12 km	15 km
Residential		2 nights	2 nights	1 night overseas



Name _____

Year _____

Club choices for Spring term 2012

Club	Day
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Please put the clubs in order of preference, your first choice at the top of the list.

Please remember that at least one choice needs to be a sports club to help us all get even healthier!

Parent signature _____

This form needs to be returned to Karen Grist by **Monday 21st November 2011.**