

Spring Vale Primary

Weekly News - 17th November 2023

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Next week in school the assembly theme is road safety. Throughout the week, children will learn about the importance of using zebra crossings, looking both ways before crossing road and understanding traffic signals. We encourage you to discuss this at home to reinforce the importance of responsible and safe road behaviour.

Whilst on the subject of road safety, since returning to school last week, we have received lots of phone calls from residents complaining yet again about inconsiderate parking. **Please park considerately when dropping off/collecting children, do not block residents drives** and especially don't park anywhere it makes it dangerous for children and adults to cross the road, this includes on the yellow lines. You also need to check you have left enough room for an emergency vehicle (ambulance, fire engine etc) to get through. Anyone collecting a child by car must never park on the zigzag road markings. This is a road traffic offence and you will receive a fine. The zigzags are there to keep children safe. I have contacted the Local Authority who will send traffic wardens to carry out random spot checks and they will issue fines.



TAX FREE CHILDCARE (BREAKFAST CLUB)

We are now a registered for tax free childcare for our breakfast club. You will find full information on this link: <https://tinyurl.com/mddd559w>



CHILDREN in NEED



Thank you so much for your amazing support and donations today. We will let you know next week the total amount raised. A special thank you to Antonio who very kindly donated his saved up pocket money.



THE BIG ambition – HAVE YOUR SAY

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched **The Big Ambition**, a national survey of children and young people across England.

The Big Ambition aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important! In the lead up to the next General Election, the Children's Commissioner wants to take children's thoughts, opinions and ideas to decision-makers, to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The Big Ambition survey will be open until Friday 15th December and can be accessed on this link: <http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition>



YEAR 4 FIRE SERVICE VISIT

Today, Year 4 had a visit from the fire service. They had a fantastic time and even got to take turns using the hose! Looks like we might have some potential firefighters in our Year 4!



PARENT SPORT ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS

Year 1 started off the parent engagement sessions today. Parents were able to take part in PE lessons with their child. Thank to you all of the parents who attended and took part. Both adults and children had a fantastic time and Year 2 are very excited for their session next week.



SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

Year 1 had a visit from the school crossing patrol team this week. They were taught how to cross roads safely.



TAKEHOME



In the news this week

A new robot called Digit, designed to be human-like and that is capable of lifting and moving items, is being tested in warehouses of the online retailer, Amazon. The robot is in its first few weeks of trials at Amazon's facility in Seattle, USA, as the company tries to improve automation in its processes. To begin with, the robot is being taught to pick up and move empty boxes to ensure that they are ready for reuse. The yellow boxes, or totes, are used throughout the company's fulfilment process.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think that robots will be used more and more in workplaces and homes? If so, what do you feel they will be used for? Why?
- > Make a list of jobs that you think robots would be good at and a list of those that you think people will always be needed for.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

LANESFIELD METHODIST CHURCH

CHRISTMAS FAYRE
SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER
10.00AM - 2.00PM



COME
AND MEET SANTA
BETWEEN
11.30AM - 1.30PM

Tombola
Toys & Books
Hand Made Crafts
Games
Home Produce and
Much More.

Hot Breakfast
Sandwiches and
Refreshments
Served all day

Live Music
Fun For all the family