



Spring Vale Primary



Weekly News - 16th May 2025

Assembly Theme week commencing 19th May: Arts Day



WELL DONE to all of our Year 6 pupils who worked extremely hard on their SATs tests this week - they are a real credit to you and our school. They were treated to a surprise visit from the ice cream man this afternoon!



HALF TERM

Reminder that children break up on Friday 23rd May for the half term holiday. School reopens for children on Monday 2nd June at the usual times. You can find the term dates for the remainder of this academic year here: <https://tinyurl.com/539st89c>



SUMMER EVENTS 2025

You should have received a text message link to our Summer Events 2025 last week. Here is the link:- <https://tinyurl.com/k9w35ujr>



SUNNY WEATHER REQUIREMENTS



During this spell of hot weather, it is important that children have sunhats and water bottles in school. Wearing sunhats during the sunny weather is essential to protect from sunburn, heatstroke etc. Additionally, it is essential that children have water bottles in school to keep them hydrated throughout the day. **Suncream should be applied to children at home before they come to school.** As we have very little shade on the playgrounds, if it is ever too hot, we will keep children inside. Children will now be on the field most breaktimes/lunchtimes, please give hayfever medicine at home to children who need it.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 2025

Next week, our school is taking part in Walk to School Week (19th -23rd May). The nationwide event is designed to help pupils experience first-hand the importance of walking to school. During this week, we would like to encourage our families to leave the car at home and walk the whole way to and from school if they can, or if you do need to drive, park a few streets away and walk the short distance—especially in this lovely weather we are having!

Walk to School Week is a great to start some healthy new habits: Here are some of the benefits::



- ☀ Everyone is fitter and healthier by walking
- ☀ Walking is a free exercise!
- ☀ It reduces your carbon footprint.
- ☀ Children are more alert in the mornings when they arrive.
- ☀ It reduces congestion and pollution in and around our school community!
- ☀ It helps children develop road safety skills .

Don't forget: Walk to school Week can include bikes too! Riding bikes to school has proven so popular, we have had to install a second bike rack!

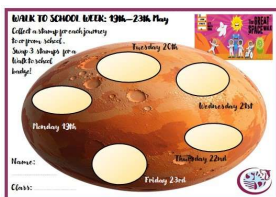


The theme for this year is '*The Great Space Walk!*'

All children will receive a Walking to School log which they can get stamped by an adult for every journey made to and from school by:

- *Walking the whole way
- * Riding their bike
- *Using public transport
- * Parking further away and walking some of the distance

At the end of the week, children can swap their completed logs for a special Walk to School Badge.



Let's see if we can have the most active Walk to School Week ever!



Important change to term dates 2025/2026

During the Easter holidays, the Local Authority made a change to the published term dates for the next academic year, bringing them in line with neighbouring authorities. Here are the amended dates:-

Updated Provisional term dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

- **Term Time:** Monday 1 September 2025 to Friday 24 October 2025
- **Half term:** Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025
- **Term Time:** Monday 3 November 2025 to Friday 19 December 2025

Spring Term 2026

- **Term Time:** Monday 5 January 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026
- **Half term:** Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026
- **Term Time:** Monday 23 February 2026 to Friday 27th March 2026

Summer Term 2026

- **Term Time:** Monday 13 April 2026 to Friday 22 May 2026
- **Half term:** Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026
- **Term Time:** Monday 1 June 2026 to Monday 20 July 2026

These Term Dates are published by City of Wolverhampton Council following consultation. However, the dates are subject to change by schools and it is recommended that you check school websites for any changes and INSET days.





Yo! Wolves school holiday programme for May half-term

The Yo! Wolves May half-term programme is now open for booking. They offer hundreds of activities, events and food for the city's children and young people and their families during the May half term school holiday.

Running from Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May, **all activities include a meal.**

For more information and to book places see link: www.yowolves.co.uk



YEAR ONE MINECRAFT SESSION



This week, our Year 1 pupils took part in an exciting Engagedu Minecraft Education session. Using Minecraft in the classroom helped the children learn in a fun and creative way. They worked in teams to explore virtual worlds, solve problems, and take part in different challenges. The session also linked to subjects like history, science, and computing, showing how Minecraft can be used to support learning. Everyone enjoyed the experience and showed great teamwork and imagination. A big thank you to Engagedu for such a brilliant session!



TAKEHOME

12th - 18th May



What everyday items could be changed to help others?

Dhruv Chaudhary, Mithran Ladhania, and Mridul Jain

In the news this week

Three teenagers from Indore, India – Dhruv Chaudhary, Mithran Ladhania, and Mridul Jain – have created a salt-powered fridge. Their goal is to support hospitals in rural areas around the world that lack access to electricity. Their invention, called the Thermavault, was submitted to The Earth Prize, a global competition which aims to inspire young people to solve world-wide problems.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your thoughts on the new fridge invention. Who do you believe will benefit most from it?
- > Make a list of everyday items at home. Which make your life easier?
- > Can you think of an item you use that could be improved? How?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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