



Spring Vale Primary



Weekly News – 19th September 2025

Assembly Theme week commencing 22nd September: World Dream Day



Calling all "Future Olympians"

It's that time of year when we want to know all about your extra-curricular talents. Maybe you are an amazing dancer, a super sportsperson or even a brilliant swimmer! Your mission is to send a photo of yourself with a little description of your hobby to feature on Spring Vale's 'Future Olympians' display board...Spring Vale needs you!

Photographs can be emailed to:-

springvaleprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk



WARMER CLOTHING

As the weather has now changed, please make sure children bring weather appropriate outdoor clothing to school, ie coats, hats, gloves etc. At Spring Vale, we always try to take children outside at playtimes and lunchtimes unless it is raining heavily. **Please make sure that any item of clothing brought in to school is labelled with your child's name. This makes it much easier to find any lost items.** Outdoor clothing is normally kept in lockers, however, we do have coat pegs for hanging up wet coats etc.



Important Dates this Half Term

- Friday 3rd October - non-uniform day for Harvest festival
- Friday 10th October - non-uniform or wear yellow for World Mental Health
- Monday 13th October - School photographer in for whole school photographs - more details to follow nearer the time
- Friday 17th October - Diwali celebrations (traditional dress or non-uniform)
- Thursday 23rd October - children break up for half term at the usual time
- Friday 24th October - School closed for staff training

Here is a list of non-uniform days for this half term: <https://tinyurl.com/2zrb3t2n>

FOOD BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL

Please be mindful that we have a number of children with severe nut allergies - for this reason we are a nut free school. Any food containing nuts of any kind, even Nutella, should not be brought into school.

Although it is always nice to celebrate a child's birthday in school, could we please ask parents not to send in cakes or other food items as we have a number of children with food allergies/diet requirements. We have always allowed sealed packets of sweets to be brought in for children to take home with them and will continue to allow this as ingredients can be checked by parents.

Thank you for your continued co-operation

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

The office staff are happy to give medicine (during school hours) to children who are well enough to be in school. This includes prescription medicines, over the counter medications and emergency medication.

Parents/guardians **must** complete a medicine consent form giving us permission to administer the medication. All medication brought into school **must** be in it's original packaging with clear instructions of dosage and timings. We will not accept medication that is not in the original packaging or has been prescribed for someone else. Medication should be handed to and collected from the office staff by an adult at the start and end of each day.

HARVEST

On Friday 3rd October, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival. This will be a non-uniform day for children. At this time of year, we give thanks for produce that is grown and farmed in our country and around the world. We have always had a strong partnership with the Good Shepherd Trust who provide meals for the homeless and food parcels for the vulnerable. We are asking each child, or family, to donate one item from their Autumn shopping list. Items can be brought in to school from Monday 29th September. Website link: <https://tinyurl.com/4vxxhmp5>



GOOD SHEPHERD
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Shopping List

To help us run our food service, we always appreciate donations of In date, non-perishable food items and toiletries, but in particular we need the following items:

- ☒ Tinned meat and fish
- ☒ Tinned vegetables
- ☒ Pot noodles
- ☒ Easy cook rice
- ☒ Chopped tomatoes
- ☒ Curry/Pasta Sauces
- ☒ Gravy granules
- ☒ Sugar
- ☒ Coffee
- ☒ Jams and spreads
- ☒ Long life milk
- ☒ Tinned fruits

Items can be delivered to 65 Waterloo Road, WV1 4QU
Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm, thank you.



Spanish Day



and Finally

You've heard of James and the giant peach... well here at Spring Vale we have Year 6 and the giant apple! Rumour has it they're still debating whether to eat it, climb it or turn it into the world's largest crumble!



We would love to see pictures of any gigantic fruit or veg that you have at home - these can be emailed to: springvaleprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk



TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Schools in the UK will soon need to give more lessons on democracy, how voting works, and how the country is run. This is because the voting age for the general election is being lowered to 16. Many agree that young people need to be ready to make informed decisions. At first, these lessons will be for children aged 14 and over, but the plan is to begin teaching these issues from 11 years of age, so everyone has plenty of time to learn.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Talk to someone older at home, and ask them to share their experiences of voting and their thoughts on the news that 16-year-olds will be able to vote.
- > Can you think of times when you have taken part in a vote? What was the outcome?
- > Do you believe it's important for young people to learn about voting and democracy? If so, what age do you think the lessons should start?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments



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