

# Spring Vale Primary

## Weekly News - 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024



### Meet Spring vale's Eco-Ambassadors!

After writing successful applications, these 8 children were selected from Years 3 and 4 to represent the school in becoming more environmentally friendly. Along with Mrs Cope, so far, they have set up recycling bins in school for the stationery we use, and hope to encourage more community recycling with the new arrival of this clothing recycling bin! Please support our Eco-Ambassadors, whilst supporting local charities by recycling your clean clothes, toys and household items. Further details of items allowed are here.

Look out for further news of the team's plans in the future!

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New & Used Clothes, Bric & Brac, New & Used Toys, Small Electrical Items, Household Items, Hair & Beauty items, Gift sets, bags, backpacks, school clothes, shoes, folders, belts, handbags, sports equipment, kitchenware, cutlery, crockery, pots and pans, paintings, games, tools, homeware, books

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## PARENTS EVENINGS

Years 1 - 6 Parents evenings are taking place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February (3.20 - 5.40 pm) and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February (3.50 - 6.30 pm). Appointments are not being made via an online booking system. Full booking instructions can be found here:- <https://tinyurl.com/2r7j2byv>

If any parents need help with booking appointments, Miss Tonks or Mrs Wynne will be on hand to help.

All of the classrooms will be open for you to look around and your children's books will be out for you to look at. Years 3 - 6 teachers will be in the main hall and Years 1 and 2 teachers will be in the dance studio. It would be appreciated if parents do not bring young children to run around in the hall. A crêche will be provided in nursery for children who have to accompany parents. There will be signs to guide you and staff will be around to point you in the right direction! You will also be asked to complete a parent questionnaire.

If you have an appointment straight after school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, we ask that you wait outside until teachers have dismissed their classes and sent children home safely. Parents will enter and exit the school building through the main entrance. **We will not be allowing parents in until 3.15 pm.** If your appointment is after 4 pm, it would be appreciated if you went home first and came back for your appointment as there will be limited space for you to wait in the hall.

*Reception parents evenings will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February - details to follow.*



## Number Day 2024

Staff and children have today taken part in NSPCC Number Day. We will let you know how much was raised and thank you once again for your support and generosity.





## PARENTS WORKSHOPS - ONLINE SAFETY

The first of our parent workshops took place yesterday and we hope the parents who attended found this useful and informative. The second date is on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30 am for anyone who missed it on Thursday.



## LYKOS TRUST DROP IN SESSION

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, members of the Lykos Trust central team (including Graham Tate the Headteacher of Highfields and CEO of the Trust) will be in school for a parent drop-in session. The session is from 2 pm to 3 pm and they will be available to answer any questions you may have about the Trust.



## CENTRAL COMMUNITY SHOP - WOLVERHAMPTON

Central Community Shop in the historic Queens' building in Wolverhampton City Centre, is the result of a partnership between the Good Shepherd, City of Wolverhampton Council and Wolves Foundation. The Good Shepherd will co-ordinate the running of the shop, offering a dignified experience for people to buy items at affordable prices. Anyone who is a resident of Wolverhampton can access the shop once they have paid an annual membership fee of £3.00. The shop is at Queen's Building, Victoria Square, Wolverhampton, WV1 1LD and is open from 10 am - 2 pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.



More information about the shop and information on how to volunteer can be found here:-  
<https://www.gsmwolverhampton.org.uk/community-shop/>



## CHANGE TO SCHOOL MENU

Please note there is a change to our school menu on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February as we will be celebrating Chinese New Year.

A festive poster for Chinese New Year. The background is red with a subtle pattern of Chinese characters. At the top right, there are two red lanterns with Chinese characters '旺' (Prosperity) and '祥' (Auspicious). The word 'Celebrate' is written in yellow on a red banner. Below it, 'CHINESE NEW YEAR' is written in large, bold, yellow letters. A white banner in the center says '8th February 2024'. The word 'ON' is written in white on a red banner to the left. The menu items are listed on a large wooden plate with chopsticks: 'Sweet & Sour Chicken OR Vegetable Stir-fry', 'SERVED WITH Noodles OR Rice', 'PUDDING', and 'Fruit Sorbet'. At the bottom, there are logos for 'EATIN@WV', 'CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL', 'FOOD SERVED WITH CARE soil Association', 'INVESTORS IN PEOPLE We invest in people Silver', 'CUSTOMER EXCELLENCE UK', 'UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MGC', and 'ASSURED FOOD STANDARDS'.



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# FEBRUARY HALF TERM

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## FUN ACTIVITIES

for children,  
young people  
and families



Free activities at the  
city's WV Active  
leisure centres



## HALF TERM FUN! YOWOLVES.CO.UK

Looking for some fun and exciting things to do over the spring school holidays – **Yo! February half term** has it all. Keep entertained with lots to choose from this holiday including dancing, art, outdoor fun and much more.

Go to [yowolves.co.uk](http://yowolves.co.uk) for what's on and get involved. Enjoy!



**YOWOLVES.CO.UK** is a website for children, young people and families in Wolverhampton. You'll find the latest events, information, support and advice on offer.



\*Please check with provider before booking for availability. Some activities will require advance bookings and may incur a charge.

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# TAKEHOME



Is fashion important?

## In the news this week

A new BBC television programme, called Style It Out, gives nine young promising fashion designers from all over the UK the chance to compete in designing different outfits. The winner will have their clothes showcased at London Fashion Week. The main focuses of the challenge are creativity and sustainability, with the contestants having to use second-hand materials. As people's awareness of the impact of fast fashion increases, sustainable clothing is becoming more at the forefront of shoppers' minds.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you remember the last item of clothing you bought or were given? Where was it from and what was it for?
- > What does 'being fashionable' mean to you? Is it important to you? Talk to others at home.
- > What do you do with the clothes that you no longer need or that no longer fit?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments