

Spring Vale Primary

Weekly News - 29th September 2023

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We have been overwhelmed by your generosity with donations to our harvest collection for the homeless shelter - thank you for your wonderful support. On a personal level, harvest time is very important to me and my family. My grandparents were farmers and I can remember helping out around the family farm at harvest time.

When I was 16 I chose to complete my work experience at The Good Shepherd shelter for the homeless, working in the soup kitchen. That week changed my life forever and I know that your donations will go a long way to help the most vulnerable people in our city. Today has reminded the staff, children and hopefully yourselves why our school is so special.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be in school next Friday 6th October. **All children will have an individual photograph taken as well as one with siblings who already attend school.** As in previous years, there is no obligation to buy the photographs. Please make sure children are smartly dressed in school uniform. Afternoon nursery children will have their photographs taken during their afternoon session.

Please note, on this day, Year 1 children will need to come to school in their school uniform, not PE kit.



PARENTS EVENINGS

Years 1 - 6 Parents evenings are taking place on Tuesday 17th October (3.15 - 5.30 pm) and Thursday 19th October (4.00 - 6.30 pm). This year we will be using an online booking system which will allow parents to select a time which is convenient for them. Parents will receive a text message **next week** with a link which takes you to the booking webpage. You don't need an app, it will be done purely by text message. Please note, until you receive a text message link, you will be unable to book an appointment.

Full instructions can be found here:-

<https://tinyurl.com/2r7j2byv>

As this is a new system, if any parents need help with booking appointments, Miss Tonks or Mrs Wynne will be on hand to help.

Reception parents evening will be on Tuesday 24th October - details to follow.



Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club is open from **7.40 am** until 8.40 am each day. The cost is £2.00 per session, per child which includes a structured play session, learning experiences and a choice of breakfast. Members of staff are on hand for the duration of the session. Breakfast club sessions need to be booked and paid for via our online payments system (School Gateway). Instructions on how to book and pay for breakfast club online can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/yckp5nhn>



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Over the past two weeks in school, children have had the opportunity to use our new immersive headphones to enhance the curriculum. Year 5 have experienced a volcanic eruption; Year 4 have been back to the Stone Age and Year 2 have been on a visit to the beach. We have been so pleased with the work the children have produced and how they have used their imaginations!



Winter Clothing

As it is now getting colder, please make sure children bring 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.



SCHOOL COUNCIL REMINDER

Just a reminder that all school council poster entries need to be returned to school by Friday 6th October. Unfortunately, posters can't be accepted if they are bigger than the A5 sheet which was sent home. The elections will take place on Wednesday 11th October.

annual FLU vaccines



The flu vaccines are carried out annually by Vaccination UK for all year groups except for nursery. They will be done in school on Friday 17th November. All parents should have received a text with a link to the online consent form which needs to be completed. **Even if you decline the vaccine, the form still needs to be completed.** The online consent forms go directly to Vaccination UK. The vaccine is given as a spray which is squirted up each nostril. The consent form and further information can be found here:-

<https://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/wolverhampton>



**SCOUTING IS
ABOUT FUN,
TEAMWORK AND
ADVENTURE. FOR
BOTH BOYS AND
GIRLS!!**



5 ¾ - 8 years
Wednesday 6.00pm -
7.00pm at Springvale
Primary School



8-10 years
Wednesday 6.00pm -
7.30pm at Springvale
Primary School



10-14 years
Monday 7.30pm-
9.00pm at Holy
Trinity Church

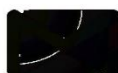
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PEP THE POET

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Children's Author, poet and Wellbeing Champion



A YouTube message from Pep the Poet:

Dear Parents and carers with parental responsibility,

We have been given the wonderful opportunity to have a 'real life' published poet visit our school on **Tuesday 10th October 2023** to help us celebrate World Book Week. Our friend Pep the Poet is coming into school to share his poems with us all.

Pep the Poet is a performance poet and wellbeing champion, who writes and performs amusing poems for 6 to 11-year-olds. Pep has published four poetry collections: **Peter Pants, Quentin the Squirrel, The Funky Peacock and Tina the Rock-Hard Robin.**

All four books are a collection of amusing poems. The children will have the opportunity to recite the poems in different accents/dialects: A Geordie spider, a Scottish worm, a Brummie bumblebee and a Liverpudlian ant and a centipede from Dublin, to name but a few.

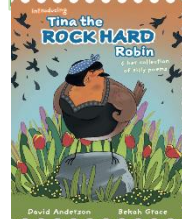
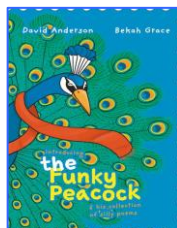
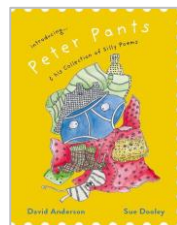
In the lead up to the workshop there is the opportunity to buy copies of Pep's books via his website: £7.99 each or Tote Bag £6.00 each Books: www.pepthe poet.co.uk/books and Tote Bags: www.pepthe poet.co.uk/products

If you enter the promo code: **SCHOOLS**, this will automatically deduct the price of the postage and packaging (saving you almost £2) Pep will bring all orders to school on the day of his visit.

In the meantime, if you would like to follow Pep the Poet on his social media sites or watch him in action on his YouTube channel or TikTok the address is @pepthe poet

When ordering from Pep's Website remember **The Shipping Address is your child's name, school and year group. The Billing Address is your name and your home address.**

Kind regards



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