



Spring Vale Primary

Weekly News – 20th September 2021



Housepoints



We are very excited to announce that next week sees the launch of our house-point system at Spring Vale. All children will be divided into 4 houses and will work together to collect tokens each week!

We are currently running an in house competition to name our houses – see example below!



Bevan



Kenilworth



Laburnum



Dovedale

At the end of the week, the house captains will count up the tokens and the trophy will be dressed in the ribbons of the winning house. You can join in by watching the logos fill up as points are collected on our brand new school website!

Housepoints will be given for:

TOGETHER

- Teamwork
- Being kind and help ful to others

EVERYONE

- Showing resilience
- Respect and manners

ACHIEVING

- Amazing work completed in lessons
- Trying your best

MORE

- Going above and beyond!





Harvest Donations

Once again we will be donating our Harvest items to the Good Shepherd in Wolverhampton. See below for information on the amazing service that they provide and for a list of required items. Children can start bringing in donations from Monday 20th September.

GOOD SHEPHERD HARVEST

Harvest is a very important time for the Good Shepherd. It is now we can start to replenish our stocks, and this will give us the stability to ensure we have enough produce to distribute until spring. The generosity of schools, churches and the local companies is overwhelming at times and one which shows real community involvement as we are ALL working together to support those struggling to pay bills and put a meal on the table.

No one should go hungry and worry when they will next receive a hot wholesome meal!

Covid has been challenging for everyone, the Good Shepherd has spent time over the last year and looked for new ways to do things ensuring our clients are always at the heart of our services. We are passionate about tackling food waste and food hunger and stopping food going to landfill. We also want to ensure families have food to create meals at home and individuals also have meals which can be enjoyed at home. We are mindful that everyone's cooking facilities are different and take this into account when distributing food.

We currently have 98 families registered with us and in the last six months have distributed 980 family bags. Families normally come once or twice a month to restock their cupboards and we help them whilst they are struggling to eat and pay bills. Currently we have 576 singles registered and in the same period we served 8022 takeout meals and distributed 8022 single food parcels. Working with a range of food partners who donate their end of day food and various food distributors who have excess stock we were able to save 18 tonnes of waste from landfill. We used a large portion of this food in the meals we cook and have put a value of over £11,000 of food which was deemed for landfill but perfectly good to use.

This year we welcome both produce or funds which will support our family food services via our Big Give campaign.

<https://donate.thebiggive.org.uk/campaign/a051r00001epdl7AAI>



SHOPPING LIST

Tinned fruits, Jam, Long Life Milk, Chocolate, Biscuits, Sugar, Juice/squash, Crisps, Coffee, Cereal, Hot chocolate, Rice pudding, Custard, Jars of curry and pasta sauce, Herbs and Spices, Gravy Granules, Stock Cubes, Potnoodles, Rice (easy cook), Instant Mash, Sweetcorn, Cooking oil, Tinned potatoes, Tomato sauce, Fray bentos pies, Mayonnaise, Tinned meat, Sandwich spread, Cleaning materials, Washing powder, Washing up liquid, Deodorant, Shower gel, Shampoo, Wetwipes, Toilet roll and Men's Razors

If you need to book a driver to collect harvest please get in touch!

Ron Flowers Uniform update

All outstanding uniform orders are expected to be available for collection from Ron Flowers next week.

Updated Academic Year Planner

You may be aware that there is an additional bank holiday planned for 3rd June 2022 in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. As that date actually falls within the half term holiday in May/June, Wolverhampton City Council have announced that schools will be closed on Friday 22nd July in lieu of the additional bank holiday. Our Academic Year Planner has been updated to reflect this school closure which means children will now break up on Thursday 21st July 2022. Here is the link to the updated year planner on our school website:- <https://tinyurl.com/29s7sj8s>

Year 6 Secondary Transfer meeting

Reminder for Year 6 parents to attend the Secondary Transfer meeting on Wednesday 22nd September at 4 pm. Please wait at the breakfast club door and staff will collect you.

Autumn Term Parent Interview Dates

Face to face parents evenings will be held for Years 1 to 6 on Tuesday 19th October and





Thursday 21st October. Both sessions will be from 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm. Appointment letters will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

Soccer 2000 after school club

We are glad to announce the return of our Soccer 2000 after school club on Wednesdays. Each term we will open the club up to specific year groups/classes. This term, the club is being offered to Years 4 and 5 only.

Roofing Repairs

Next week the Local Authority will be starting the repair work to the roof on the old part of the school. We have questioned the timing and schedule of these works. However, it is being paid for by the Local Authority and will hopefully keep us dry for the next 20 years! You may see some scaffolding and roofers on site.



COATS FOR KIDS

Does your Child need a Coat for the Winter Season, or do you know a family in need of coats?

We are a **FREE** service
We are urgently seeking families with children or services working directly with families whom may benefit from our project.

Whether a family have fell on hard times, maybe a parent has been furloughed due to Covid or a family that may be struggling, or escaping domestic violence. Whatever the need, all are welcome to receive a free donated kid's coat/s. No referral or voucher needed. Just get in touch with your details. Anyone can email

coatsforkidswolves@outlook.com or direct message us on our Facebook group **Coats for Kids Wolves**.

We work to Covid regulations as suggested by Public Health, all coats received are quarantined for at least 72 hours before we can handle them, or give them out. All volunteers wear full PPE when collecting and donating coats.

There is no reason a child should ever be cold.
Email Lizzie or Gillian in Wolverhampton
coatsforkidswolves@outlook.com



Facebook Group – Coats for Kids Wolves

WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE MORNING
MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



Foundation Stage will hold a coffee afternoon from 2 pm on 24th September.

Refreshments and home-made cakes (provided by staff) will be available for parents to buy. All proceeds will go to Macmillan.

Further details to follow.

