



SPRING VALE PRIMARY



TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVING MORE

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PARTIAL RETURN TO SCHOOL UPDATE

Over the weeks we have seen more children returning to Spring Vale Primary. Over the next two weeks, other year groups have been invited in (in small bubbles) to spend some time in school before we break up for the summer holidays. School will close to all children on 17th July. This will allow the Local Authority and the Governors to complete snags left over from the building work, we also hope that the Council will pay for the roof of the old building to be updated in line with the new building. The summer holiday will also give us time to prepare classrooms and resources for when children to return to school in September.

WELL DONE COMPETITION IS NOW CLOSED!

Thank you so much for sending in work that children have been doing at home. The teachers have really enjoyed receiving emails and I'm sure the children have loved receiving their Well Done Certificates. Although the competition is now closed, we welcome any emails with work you would like to share with us.



MEET OUR 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 sportsman or even a brilliant swimmer! Your mission is to send a photo of yourself with a little description of your hobby to feature on Miss Kelbie's 'Future Olympians' display board...Spring Vale needs you!

HOME LEARNING

Each Wednesday, the Home Learning section on our school website is updated by teachers: <https://www.springvaleprimary.co.uk/classwork-handouts>. You will also find a number of useful websites on this link:

<https://www.springvaleprimary.co.uk/news>

Please do not worry too much about completing tasks. One of the most important things you can do with your child is to read to them and hear them read to you.

Almost all of us are likely to be spending more time online, including children. The link below provides guidance for parents and carers on how to keep children safe online and where to go to receive support and advice on helping to keep children safe online. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online>



TEXT MESSAGING

At the moment, text messaging is the best way for us to communicate with parents and we often send links to documents and letters that are on our website. At the end of text messages it says "Get our App: edsp.co/app". You **do not** need to download this app to be able to receive text messages from school and we have found that parents who have downloaded the app then have difficulty trying to open any links to correspondence that we have sent. If you have downloaded this app then please delete it.

NEW ACADEMIC YEAR – SEPTEMBER 2020

You should have received a text with a link to the letter notifying you of the class teacher your children will be with in September. Here is the link to the letter if you didn't receive it or have been unable to access the link: https://b5b913f4-e615-40d5-81a8-c590178fb538.filesusr.com/ugd/e5b70e_0855ef6ae8b445d7a211d76df77fa59f.pdf

CONTACTING SCHOOL

The preferred method of communication with school is still by email (springvaleprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk). These are checked by myself and Mrs Wynne many times during the day and at weekends. If you email work or good news into school, these will be forwarded to the teachers and often you will receive a personal reply from their individual school email. Please note we are not able to allow parents to enter the school to speak directly with office staff or teachers at this stage. We would ask that you either phone school or continue to communicate by email if you have any queries.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our uniform provider, Ron Flowers Sports, will be at school selling uniform on the following days/times next week:-

- 1.45 pm - 3 pm on Tuesday 7th July
- 1.45 pm - 3 pm on Thursday 9th July

Please note social distancing guidelines should be adhered to.

We are currently arranging other dates for them to sell uniform from school and will let you know when these will be as soon as we can.

FINALLY . . . most children will return to school after the holidays on Thursday 3rd September.

It is our ambition that all children will return to full time school in full classes. However, we will be guided by the Government and the Local Authority in some aspects of our return. We still remain unsure about whether we can reopen our breakfast and after school clubs, although they are ready to resume as soon as we are given the green light. Further details about the school day will be given as soon as we receive the guidance. As a parent myself, we will all need to be flexible in the approaches schools will make towards the full reopening of our education system. This may mean different starts and end times in order that we continue to socially distance. We would love nothing more than to go back to school as we knew it, however, we have to plan for a number of different scenarios. In short, we will close for the summer to rewrite our curriculum in order to reopen for all children in September so that we can resume teaching your outstanding children.



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