

# SPRINGVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 4 Newsletter

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter! School really feels 'in the swing' of things now and it is great to see clubs, music teaching and visits taking place in full again. The children have settled very well indeed and we are looking forward to another successful year of playing, learning and achieving together! A huge well done to our amazing Y5 Bikeability pupils for their success, the Y5/6 girls' football team who were sensational in victory at the Penistone 4 Sport (P4Sport) competition last week and our young leaders have started so well in their new roles!

**COVID update:** At time of publication, we have currently had 3 cases in school (1 staff and 2 pupils). Please continue to monitor your child for symptoms and take tests both routinely and in response to concerns about your child's health and/or positive cases in school. Remember, school now plays no role in test and trace but we will send out a short email update every time a positive case is recorded either on a LF test or a PCR test. If we report a positive case on a LF test we will only contact you if the PCR test **DOES NOT** come back as confirmation of the positive case.

**Barnsley FC Penalty Shoot-Out:** We will shortly be undertaking a joint fund-raising venture with Reds in the Community. The aim is to raise much needed funds for the school and Red's in the Community. Reds in the Community work very closely with primary schools in the Barnsley area by providing free curriculum time coaching- we benefitted from this just last year with a term of free sessions for Y3 and Y4. Money raised will be used to maintain this provision and to enhance facilities and equipment at our school by a 50/50 split. Each child will be given the opportunity to raise sponsorship money by means of goals scored in a penalty shootout held at the school, which will be organised by Reds in the Community. This event is optional but all children can have a go regardless of monies raised! Any child who raises £10 or more will receive a baseball cap, £25 or more will receive a baseball cap and a Mitre leather football, for raising £50 your child will receive two tickets to a Barnsley FC home league game, a Mitre football and a baseball cap. The child raising the most funds in the school will receive a Barnsley Shirt autographed by the players and the 3 other prizes. The top penalty takers out of each class will be presented with a Barnsley FC Medal. Please could you ensure that all sponsorship money is returned to the school **by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October**. A hard copy of the sponsor form is coming out with every child today or very soon! Here is a video that helps to explain to families and children what the event will look like, this has been shown by BFC coaches in assembly today to most children: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-bsQYCYmUc>

**Music Lessons:** A gentle reminder of the importance to all parents to have instruments in school for the days when they are required. Y3 always have ukulele lessons on a Thursday. If they don't have their instrument then they just listen to the lesson but it will significant hold back their progress with the instrument. If you have any questions about music tuition please contact Miss Chapman in the office.

**Clubs:** Our clubs kicked off last week and they are very popular and well attended. It is so great to see so many activities taking place. Please note that there is no one-way system before school for clubs (this starts at 8.40am) but we will use it at 4.15pm. All clubs finish at 4.15pm so please ensure that you are available to collect promptly. Football and cricket clubs should be collected from the steps near the Y6 bike shelter and all other clubs should be collected from the main reception area.

**(Reminder) Reading Army:** Our Reading Army has now started up again on Wednesday afternoons between 1.30-3pm in the Community Room. If you have any spare time and you have a passion for supporting pupils to read then please do come along.

Have a great week everyone! **Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher**

### School Statistics- Week 3

Attendance: 97.3% Class of the Week: Y4 with 100% Late marks: 0 GOOD to be GREEN: 98.7%

**Mini Diary- Week 4 (Well-being theme: Community and Charity/Music of the week: John Williams)**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September:** All clubs begin, Y5/6 wellbeing monitors begin, BFC penalty shoot-out assembly and launch

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September:** Y5 at Barley Hall 8.15am leave, 4.15pm return

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September:** Y3/4 Football at PGS (4-5.15pm)

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September:** Dress Down day for Macmillan- wear green or bright and family donation welcomed

