

# SPRINGVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 7 Newsletter

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear families,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We have absolutely loved this half term...every class has settled and progressed so well and judging by the survey results so far, our families are incredibly happy with our work too!

**Parent and Carer surveys (reminder):** Thank you for your amazing support so far this year. We are opening up our survey online for feedback and comment please- your views really help us to celebrate what is working well and what could be even better. <https://forms.office.com/r/YfAJBL59Ya> The surveys close this coming Friday and will be analysed for the first newsletter back! Mrs Kent would also like to share an optional survey for parents/carers about mental health linked to her recent DfE training, the link is here: <https://app.myedupod.com/survey/91772b86-b0d3-404f-9b6b-8922be8fcf28/care-givers> only Mrs Kent and myself can access the collective results and it is all anonymous.

**School News:** I was so proud of our Y6 pupils last week who did an amazing job as prospective parent tour guides. At one point I was in the corridor and I could hear the children doing a better job than I ever could of selling the school! It was a really proud moment! The excellent sports events continue and we have seen Y3/4 football matches, Y5/6 orienteering and Y6 tag rugby in just the last few days! The rugby team came 4<sup>th</sup> in Barnsley and one of our superb Y6 boys' teams won silver at the orienteering! Well done also to Abigail and Oscar in Y3 for their football awards!

**Parents' Evening:** Our Autumn Term Parents' appointments are to be held this week. The vast majority of appointments are on Thursday between 1.30-7.30pm with a handful of extra sessions allotted to EYFS families. Appointments are in the school hall (unless you request a more private space beforehand) and are limited to 10 minutes per child strictly please as we have many families to see and staff workload to consider. Please contact us to set up a separate appointment on a different day if you have any concerns that may take longer to discuss. Pupils' work books in the core learning will be available (only Y1-Y6 pupils) to view before or after your appointment. Please report to reception to sign in and collect the pupils work (again, if in Y1-Y6 classes) and please return the work afterwards! Parents attending within the school day are welcome to take children home when they have finished- please let us know at the reception desk and then sign them out.

**Clubs:** We will be launching our new clubs for after half term today at 2pm. The cooking clubs have stayed in the same year groups as there are so many children who want to do it and limited spaces. Please do not rebook the cooking club if your child has already done it this school year. Please also note that Thursday's clubs this week are not on as per the original plan as it is parents' evening 1.30-7.30pm. Please note that all other clubs are on and Patchwork tomorrow will run until 4.45pm.

**Harvest Plans:** Our Harvest Festival is back! We are looking forward to welcoming grandparents and local, elderly residents within the community! We have some fantastic singing and some Y6 pupils introducing. We will then deliver the Harvest collection to the local residents class by class Y1-Y6 with some local walks. We welcome any items that families can spare to the collection- please bring them to school tomorrow for displaying in the hall!

**Hallowe'en timings (reminder)-** Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October...appropriate costumes only please!

- EYFS disco 2-3pm in the hall, bring £1 for light refreshments at drop off, AM nursery can attend!
- Y1-3 disco 3.15-4.15pm in the hall, bring £2 for disco and light refreshments when you drop off- collect at 4.15pm from hall doors
- Y4-6 disco 4.30-5.30pm in the hall, bring £2 for disco and light refreshments when they return- collect at 5.30pm from hall doors (children cannot walk home)

Have a good week everyone and a wonderful half term!

Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

### Mini-Diary and School Statistics (Week 6 and averages)

Attendance for the year so far: 96.9%	Attendance last week: 96.5%
Late marks last week: 0	Class of the week for attendance: Y6 Heroic Hexagons 99.6%
GOOD to be GREEN 2022/23 average: 99%	GOOD to be GREEN last week: 99%

### What is happening in school this week? (Week 7)

**Weekly themes:** Music- Motown; Wellbeing- Staying Safe; Week 2 dinner menu (new menu coming soon!)

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>:** Clubs launch at 2pm for next half term, Harvest donations welcomed

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>:** School Council meeting with Mrs Wildsmith

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>:** 9.45-10.30am Harvest Show in the hall, some EYFS parent appointments

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>:** Y3/4 Spanish sessions AM and 1.30-7.30pm parent appointments (F1-Y6)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>:** Close for half term (deadline for survey responses) we return on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October!

