



Newsletter

Week 09: 3/11/25

AT A GLANCE

- ⇒ Dinner week 1—new menu—see attachment
- ⇒ All before and after school clubs start this week—please note that all pupils must be collected from after school clubs this half term
- ⇒ Monday 3rd November—Y6 Crucial Crew trip
- ⇒ Tuesday 4th November—Year 3 and 4 trip to Magna
- ⇒ Thursday 6th November—P4Sport event at PGS 4.00-5.10pm Year 1 and 2 multi-sports competition—selected pupils only

Dear Parents/ Carers,

What another wonderful week it has been at Springvale! Our pupils continue to make us proud in so many ways — both in and out of the classroom. Our EYFS and Year 1 children had a fantastic time on Tuesday taking part in an Indian dance workshop. It was wonderful to see them fully embracing the experience — learning about a different culture, trying new moves, and dancing with such enthusiasm and confidence. Their smiles said it all! We would also like to say a huge thank you to all the families who attended Parents' Evening this week. It was lovely to welcome you into school to discuss your child's progress and share in their successes. We hope you enjoyed sampling some of the delicious food kindly donated by our catering company — it was great to see so many positive conversations taking place. As we reach the end of a very busy and successful half term, we want to thank you all for your continued support in helping to make Springvale the best it can be. We hope you have a wonderful half term break — fingers crossed the weather improves so we can all enjoy some time outdoors before winter sets in! We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 3rd November, ready for another exciting half term ahead.

Reminders about uniform expectations

This is a polite reminder to all parents and carers in relation to our expectations on uniform. Please ensure that after the half term all children come to school wearing black school shoes as well as making sure that as the colder weather sets in that all children have an appropriate warm and waterproof coat. Can I also remind you that we do not allow children to come to school wearing earrings—as per our policy. Many thank for your co-operation with this.

Year 6 Trip to Crucial Crew-Monday 3rd November

Just a reminder that Year 6 have a trip to Crucial Crew on Monday 3rd November—which is the first Monday back after half term. Year 6 children must arrive to school at 8am on Monday 3rd November as they will be leaving at 8.10am. They aim to be back in school for 3.30pm— if children are attending an after school club they can get straight there— or if they have permission to walk home they can do this. Otherwise please collect your child from the playground as normal. They need to wear their school uniform as usual and they must bring a packed lunch. Just a reminder to not include sweets, nuts, fizzy pop or glass bottles into the lunch bags please. Children do not need to bring their book bags with their reading logs in on this day.



Year 3 and 4 trip to Magna-Tuesday 4th November

On Tuesday 4th November children in Year 3 and 4 will be visiting Magna Centre in Sheffield as part of their Science Topic. Children do not need to wear uniform on the day, but please ensure that they are dressed appropriately, as Magna is situated in an old steel work-and the temperature can be quite low. Children are welcome to wear trainers during the day too. Packed lunches are required-no sweets, nuts, fizzy pop or glass bottles please-inside a small rucksack. If your child requires a grab-a-bag, please can you left the office know by Monday 4rd November at 12pm, specifying the sandwich choice of ham, tuna or cheese. Children need to arrive to school at the normal time of 8.45 and will be back in time for the normal school finish time of 3.15pm. Please collect your children as normal from the school playground. Any traffic delays will be communicated to you. Many Thanks

New Menu

Please find our new menu attached to this Newsletter which will run from November until the Easter holidays. Paper copies of the menu were sent home with pupils on Thursday 23rd October. Please also find picture menus attached which may help pupils who would like to try something new but are unsure what to expect.

Medical Tracker

After the half term holiday we will be using a new system for recording any medical events such as first aid and medicine administered. The system is called Medical Tracker and is used by many schools across the UK.

For parents, we will still be communicating the same information as we do currently but it will be a change in the way that we do this. You will receive an email notification from medical tracker for the following reasons:

- Minor head bumps - if your child has had a minor head bump and is ok to stay in school without requiring any further medical treatment, you will receive an email notification informing you of this. We will no longer send paper head bump letters home
- More serious injuries – as is our current practice, if a child has an injury and we feel they need further medical treatment, we will call home straight away to inform you and ask that someone comes to collect. You will be sent an email notification with details of the injury and first aid provided so that you can share these with medical professionals if required.
- Medication administered - you will receive a notification via email if your child has taken their prescribed medication during the school day e.g. antibiotics, pain relief, inhalers, antihistamine.

We will not send notifications for minor injuries other than head bumps e.g. grazed knees and we will not send a notification if your child has applied their regular eczema cream unless this is specifically requested.

We have introduced this system to streamline the way that we record medical events and hope that you will find this new notification system useful.

Please be assured that Medical Tracker are fully GDPR compliant, further information is available on their website here: <https://www.medicaltracker.co.uk/compliance/> Any data we share is in line with our GDPR policy and is shared with Medical Tracker as a legitimate interest task.

Lost Property

We have a lot of lost property at the moment—mainly cardigans and jumpers and it would be great if we could return it all to the rightful owners. We have checked for any items with names in and returned these to classes where possible. Please could we remind parents & carers to label all uniform & belongings so that, if lost, items can be returned easily. Please also, if you think you have any lost property, please come and have a look in the lost property basket which is in the main entrance area of school. Many Thanks.



Important Dates for this half term

- Monday 3rd November– Year 6 trip to Crucial Crew
- Tuesday 4th November– Year 3 and 4 trip to Magna
- Thursday 6th November– P4Sport competition at PGS Year 1-2 multi-sports competition– 4.00-5.10pm-selected pupils
- Wednesday 12th November– Springvale Open Evening for starting school in the year 26/27 4.00-5.30pm
- Thursday 13th November– Dr Bike in school to fix bikes/scooters
- Thursday 13th November– P4Sport competition at PGS Year 5/6 Benchball-4.00-5.10pm-selected pupils
- Monday 17th-Thursday 20th November– Year 5 Bikeability all week
- Tuesday and Wednesday 18th and 19th November– Springvale’s Science Gadget Shop open after school on playground
- Thursday 20th November– P4Sport competition at PGS Year 3/4 girls dodgeball– 4.00-5.10pm-selected pupils
- Monday 24th November-Maths week in school
- Wednesday 26th November-CompassBe Workshop-developing healthy peer relationships with Year 5 pupils PM
- Thursday 27th November– Y5 trip to watch Kensuke’s Kingdom
- Thursday 27th November– P4Sport competition Year 3 and 4 boys dodgeball– 4.00-5.10pm-Selected pupils
- Friday 28th November– Maths celebration assembly for all pupils
- Monday 1st December– Christmas raffle tickets on sale
- Thursday 4th December– M+M Theatre productions in school to perform the panto Aladdin Nursery-Y6
- Thursday 4th December– P4Sport competition at PGS Year 5 and 6 Goalball-4.00-5.10pm Selected pupils
- Tuesday 9th December– Carols Around the Tree concert 9.30am– for Friends of the Springvale Community-invite only event
- Wednesday 10th December-Year 3 and 4 Christmas show 9.30am and 6.00pm
- Wednesday 10th December– Year 5 and 6 Christmas show 10.30am and 7.00pm
- Thursday 11th December– KS1 (Year 1 and 2) Christmas show 10.30am and 2.30pm
- Thursday 11th December– F2 class HeppDT day
- Friday 12th December– F2 Nativity show 10.30am-in the school hall
- Friday 12th December– Nursery Christmas performance 9.30am in the Nursery classroom
- Monday 15th December– KS1 and Year 3 Cinema trip to Penistone Paramount AM
- Monday 15th December– Nursery Christmas Party-AM
- Monday 15th December– Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party PM
- Tuesday 16th December-KS2 (classes 4, 5 and 6) cinema trip AM
- Tuesday 16th December– EYFS cinema experience in the school hall AM
- Tuesday 16th December-KS1 Christmas Party-PM
- Tuesday 16th December– Nursery new starters stay and play sessions 2.00-2.45pm
- Wednesday 17th December– F2 Christmas Party AM
- Wednesday 17th December– Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party PM
- Wednesday 17th December– Raffle being drawn
- Thursday 18th December– Special visitor in school to give gifts to all pupils AM
- Thursday 18th December– Christmas Dinner day for all pupils
- Thursday 18th December– Last day in school for all pupils– break up for the Christmas holidays
- Friday 19th December-INSET Day-school closed to all pupils

Have a lovely half term holiday!

Many Thanks,

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Headteacher



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