



Spring Vale Primary



Weekly News - 24th October 2024

Assembly Theme week commencing 4th November:



- Year 1:** Sehaj, Keratveer, Violet, Reuben
- Year 2:** Lacie-Rae, Samuel, Safire and Milo
- Year 3:** Scarlett, Jasjivandeep, Tamia'Rose and Vihaan
- Year 4:** Ocean, Gurjeevan, Anaya and Armaan
- Year 5:** Joanna, Haider, Gurbani and Aaron
- Year 6:** Daijah, Thian, Rihanna and Amol



Please tell your children not to be too disheartened, we are proud of all of them and will make sure they all have opportunities for their voice to be heard at Spring Vale.

We were really impressed with the high standard of entries. All posters are proudly displayed in our school hall.



This has been an extremely busy and rewarding half term. All the staff and children fully deserve their week to relax and recuperate before we enter possibly the most exciting half term. It is also the season of warm jumpers and hot chocolate! Thanks once more for your support.

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVING MORE



DARK NIGHTS SAFETY ADVICE

With the clocks going back on Saturday night, this means that it will soon be dark when children are walking home from school and playing out in the evening. Here are some safety tips for you to share with your children:-

- If possible, walk with a friend or group of friends.
- **Stay alert - keep an eye on everything that is happening around you.**
- Avoid wearing earphones or chatting on your mobile phone, as this will distract you from your surroundings.
- **Trust your instincts - if you have a 'funny feeling' about someone or something, don't ignore it, act on it straight away.**
- Take the route you know best and stick to busy, well-lit streets.
- **Walk in the middle of the pavement, facing oncoming traffic. This will avoid any cars driving up alongside you as you walk.**
- Think about your route home. Where would be a safe place to go if something went wrong? Safe places might be busy places like shops or garages, friends' houses or a police station.
- **Have your keys ready as you approach your home so you can get inside quickly.**



BONFIRE NIGHT/FIREWORKS SAFETY

Bonfire night is always an exciting event for children, whether you decide to attend an official display or choose to have your own display at home. If you are having your own display, here are some tips for keeping yourselves and your families safe:-

Fireworks

- Only adults should deal with setting up firework displays, the lighting of fireworks and the safe disposal of fireworks once they have been used. Children should not be asked to help at any stage
- Children should watch displays from a safe distance - they should be well away from both the fireworks and any bonfires.
- Families should keep a torch, buckets of water, eye protection, gloves and a bucket of soft earth on hand. The bucket of sand can be used to place fireworks in ready to be lit.

Bonfires

- The area around the fire should be cordoned off and any children nearby should be supervised at all times.
- The fire should be lit away from wooden fences, sheds and any places where children will be playing.
- Petrol, paraffin or sprits should never be poured directly onto a fire. Families should use fire lighters to prevent sudden flare-ups.

Sparklers

- It is recommended that sparklers are not given to under-5s
- Make sure everyone handling sparklers wears gloves
- Hold sparklers at arm's length while being lit and light them one at a time
- Don't wave sparklers about close to other people
- Never hold a baby in your arms while you are holding a sparkler
- When the sparkler has finished put it in a bucket of cold water.



annual FLU VACCINES



The flu vaccines are carried out annually by Vaccination UK for all year groups except for nursery. They will be done in school on **Thursday 7th November**. Regular text messages are being sent with a link to the online consent form which needs to be completed. Even if you decline the vaccine, the form still needs to be completed. The online consent forms go directly to Vaccination UK. The consent form and further information can be found

here:- <https://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/wolverhampton>



PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

We have received 7 nomination forms for parent governor. This means that, as we only have two vacancies, voting slips will be sent out to parents when we return to school on 4th November.



Congratulations to Mrs
Patel on the birth of
Ettie.

She was born on 19th
October weighing 7lb
10oz





Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

TAKEHOME

21st - 27th
October



What impact can music have on our lives?



In the news this week

Following a ten-year campaign, music exam boards have announced they will now be including Sikh sacred music, also known as Kirtan, on their syllabus. It will be examined alongside violin and percussion instruments. The campaign to get the music recognised was led by Dr Harjinder Lallie, the co-director of Birmingham-based Gurmat Sangeet Academy.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you ever learnt to play a musical instrument? Would you like to?
- > What type of music do you like listening to? Ask others at home what they like to listen to. Is it the same as or different from what you like?
- > Can you think of times when we listen to music or make music with others?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

