



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas Jumper Day is Save The Children's annual event which raises money for the children who need it most. You can find more information here: <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/how-you-help>



On **Thursday 12th December** children can come to school wearing **non-uniform** (and a Christmas or festive jumper or top if they have one) in exchange for a small cash donation. You don't need a new jumper or top - **upcycle** an old one or get crafty (**more tips here!**). If you don't have one, any jumper or top will do - please do not go out and buy one.



Christmas Post Box

The Christmas post box in school will be open from Monday 2nd December for children to send their cards to friends. Please ensure that the child's name and class are on the envelope. The last posting date will be 13th December.



IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

- 🎄 Wednesday 18th December - **Nursery** children break up for Christmas at their usual times
- 🎄 Friday 20th December - Reception to Year 6 break up for Christmas at **1 pm**. You can collect your child any time between 1 pm and 1.15 pm. **Please make sure children are collected by 1.15 pm at the latest.** There will be no ACES after school childcare on this day.
- 🎄 Monday 6th January 2025 - School closed for staff training
- 🎄 Tuesday 7th January 2025 - Children return to school

A list of our Christmas Events 2024 can be found here:

Reception to Year 6: <https://tinyurl.com/5epcdz25>

Nursery: <https://tinyurl.com/y6hcux9x>

Letters will start to be sent out regarding individual Christmas events from next week. Spare copies can be found in the carousel in the main office area.

WINTER COATS

Please send children to school with suitable winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves etc. Even when the weather is cold, we still go outside at playtimes and lunchtimes as long as it is safe to do so.

Please ensure your child's name is on all clothing brought in to school - it is very difficult for us to find lost items of clothing if there is no name in them!

COATS FOR KIDS

Does your child need a coat for the winter season, or do you know a family in need of coats?

We are a **FREE** service.

We are urgently seeking families with children or services working directly with families who may benefit from our project.

Whatever the need, all are welcome to receive free donated kid's coats. No referral or voucher is needed. Anyone can email Gillian on:

coatsforkidswolves@outlook.com

There is no reason a child should ever be cold.



Need a Coat?
Take one!
Want to help?
Leave one!



YO! WOLVES CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS PROGRAMME

Yo! Wolves are offering hundreds of activities, events and food for the children and young people during the festive school holidays.

Running from Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January, all activities are fully funded and will include a meal.

The holiday activities are free for all children of school age receiving benefit related free school meals, SEND or EHCP. The activities include arts, crafts, fun days out, dance and drama workshops, photography and much more

Bookings can be made here
www.yowolves.co.uk
from Monday 2nd December.

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CHRISTMAS

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FUN ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Christmas Holiday fun for children, young people and families

Department for Education

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?...

This week at Spring Vale Primary we have been very busy ...

We welcomed the company 'Mini First Aid' to Spring Vale. Year 6 children took part in a 'First Aid for Kids' workshop led by an experienced practitioner where they learnt how to deal with bumps, burns, breaks, choking and bleeding. The children also learnt how and when to do the Recovery Position & CPR. We now know who to call in an emergency!



The girls football team showcased a determined and passionate effort in their match against Villiers on Thursday, showcasing their relentless drive and teamwork. With every pass, tackle, and run, it was clear they were giving their all (even in the cold weather). We are immensely proud of our team, for supporting each other, both on and off the field, and showing some fantastic sporting qualities. Our next fixture will be in the new year.



The Key Stage 2 Cross Country team took part in an event at Springdale Primary School yesterday afternoon against 4 other schools. All of our runners did exceptionally well and were very competitive in each of their races. A massive congratulations to Ocean (Year 4) who won the Girls Year 3/4 race and Emanuel (Year 4) who came second in the Year 3/4 boys race.



Mrs Cope took Alex and Leya from Year 5 Robins, and Storm and Logan from Year 5 Magpies to a special challenge event at Girls' High School on Thursday. The children were treated to a talk from an artist based at Wolverhampton Art Gallery before being asked to produce a piece of artwork themed around the Industrial Revolution in the Black Country. They then used this to help them write a poem which they performed to the other children taking part. We had an amazing time, produced some lovely work and the children were an absolute credit to our school.



TAKEHOME

25th November
- 1st December



How can we raise awareness of important issues?



Earthshot Prize 2024

In the news this week

This year's Earthshot Prize winners have been announced. Prince William, who launched the prize in 2020, closed the award ceremony in Cape Town, South Africa. The Earthshot Prize celebrates and supports people and companies working to provide innovative solutions for climate and environmental issues. The winners include projects to protect animals, handle rubbish and prevent wasted energy.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you tell someone at home a bit more about the Earthshot Prize?
- > Do you believe awards are a good way of raising awareness about important issues?
- > Have you ever taken part in or contributed to a project with the aim of helping protect and look after the world? Ask others at home whether they have.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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