



Weekly News - 20th September 2024

Assembly Theme week commencing 23rd September: Kindness

SPANISH DAY

On Thursday we launched Spanish as the main language we will now learn at Spring Vale Primary School. The children and staff had the most amazing day. They enjoyed, not just learning a new language, but sampling foods from Spanish speaking countries, completing flamenco dance lessons, making flags and hats from Spanish speaking countries, learning the history of the language and where in the world Spanish is spoken. Some children in Year 6 also went to the school field to have a siesta (lunchtime)!

One of the highlights was the visiting language teachers from Highfields (Lykos Trust). The staff and children in Years 4 and 5 loved their new teachers and couldn't wait to tell anyone who would listen about their experiences. A massive thank you to Ms Torrillo, Ms Anson and Ms Hannon (the lady who facilitated the visit). None of this would be possible without Mrs Longmore, our modern foreign languages co-ordinator, who spent the summer rewriting our languages curriculum and planning Spanish day. Same again next year!



PARKING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Since returning to school, we have received lots of phone calls from residents complaining yet again about inconsiderate parking.

We realise there are some parents/carers who have no alternative but to drive their children to school. However, many are driving short distances where walking is an option. Even those who have to drive to school can do their bit to ease traffic congestion by parking a couple of streets away from school and walking for part of the journey.

To keep everyone safe please do not:-

- Park on the pavement, across dropped kerbs or especially across residents' driveways
- Block the road - emergency vehicles and other traffic may need access
- Park on yellow zig-zags or block the school entrance
- Park opposite a junction
- Park where you will cause inconvenience to other road users
- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your child off, even for a few seconds.

I have contacted the Local Authority who will send traffic wardens to carry out random spot checks and they will issue fines.



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 Friday 17th November. All parents should have received a text 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 vaccine is given as a spray which is squirted up each nostril. The consent form and further information can be found here:-

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



autumn PARENTS EVENINGS

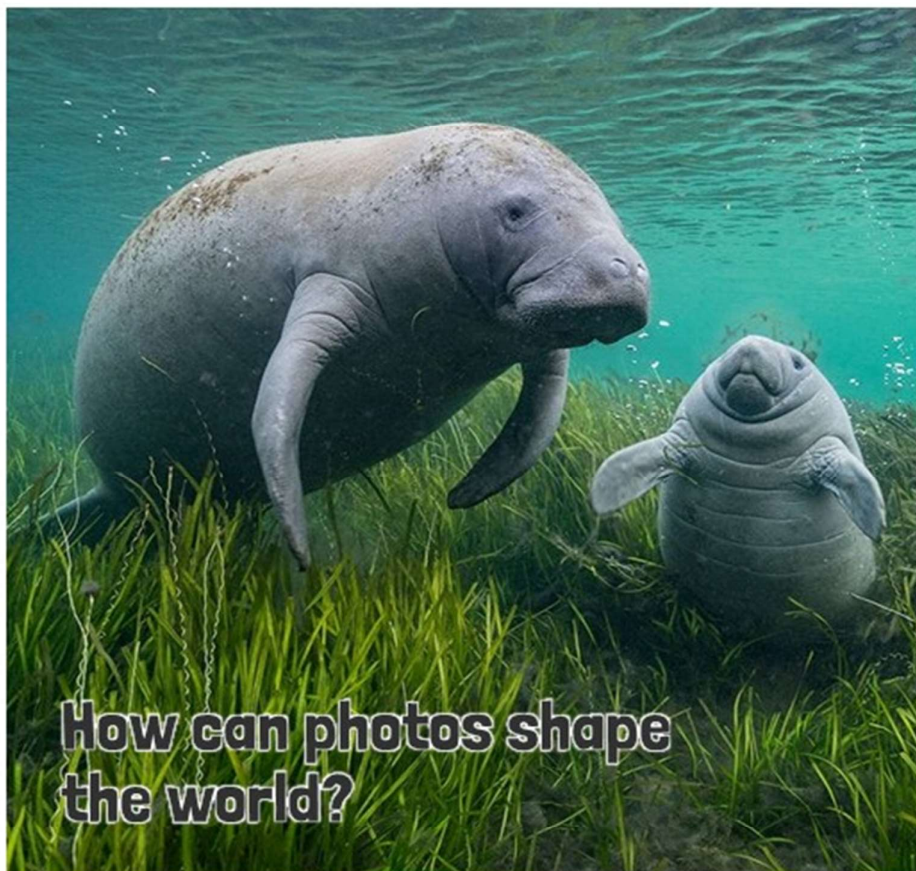
Reminder of a change to our planned parents evenings which were due to take place in October. These will now take place on 5th and 7th November. Here is an updated academic year planner:-

<https://tinyurl.com/5bu7rwr7>



TAKEHOME

16th - 22nd
September



How can photos shape
the world?

In the news this week

The Wildlife Photographer of the Year shortlist has recently been announced, with just 100 photos left in the competition, following a record-breaking 59,228 entries! The winners will be revealed on 8th October and displayed in the Natural History Museum in London. To celebrate its Diamond Jubilee (60 years) this year, the competition has also introduced a new Impact Award to recognise conservation successes and stories of hope.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you think of any wider benefits of people learning about the Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition?
- > Do you enjoy photography? Do you prefer looking at or taking photos?
- > Do you have a favourite photo? What is it of, and who took it?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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