

SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL



Newsletter - 05

8 October 2021

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. We have had two positive COVID cases in the Secondary Department this week, as it stands at this moment they are two isolated incidents.

Our rules for managing cases are different from other schools due to the vulnerability of our pupils. We work very closely with Public Health and the Local Authority who advise us case by case on what action needs to be taken. **Currently we are being advised that once a positive case is confirmed, all pupils will need to go for a PCR and wait for a negative result before returning to school. If this is not possible an isolation period will be required.**

If a sibling or household member has tested positive for COVID we have been **advised that a sibling coming to Springfield should take a PCR and wait until a negative result is received. If the PCR is negative daily lateral flow testing will be required for the pupil to return to school or carry out the isolation period with the family / sibling.**

We understand that this can be difficult and we certainly do not want pupils out of school but we have to consider the health and safety of all of our Community.

COVID and autumn bugs also bring about staffing issues for us, our main aim is to keep all classes open within school. This does mean that swimming and rebound therapy have been cancelled on some days to ensure we maintain safe staffing ratios with staff our children are familiar with.

Despite COVID, our pupils have had the most wonderful week, engaging in so many different activities. They are all so keen and eager to share what they have been doing in their lessons, it's lovely to see.

If your child tests positive over a weekend please e-mail head@springfield.cheshire.sch.uk

Have a lovely weekend,

Lisa

News and Information

Harvest

On **Wednesday 13th October** we will be collecting non-perishable food items as part of our Harvest Celebrations. This years harvest collection will be donated to St Paul's food bank in Crewe. Items may include tinned goods, dried foods (pasta, rice etc), biscuits etc. Please send donations in with your child on the morning of Wednesday 13th. Items will be collected in and donated later that day.

The School GATE

The School

G = gain

A = answers

T = through

E = each other Questions from discussions last week:

"Parents wanted support with DLA forms and how to complete them correctly"

"How do I apply for EHIPs?" Phone Shortbreak team

"What can i use my EHIPs for?" EHIPs can be used for activities and on PA, so you can have a break from a caring role.

We welcome you to Springfield School

- Thursdays at 9.30am for Primary
- Fridays at 9.30am for Secondary

Term time only, no booking required.

Covid Vaccination Clinics

Please see below for information on vaccine clinics this weekend.

Please note that while these are not open to all 12-15 yr olds the are accepting booking for 12-15 yr olds in the high risk groups.

Middlewich Victoria Hall COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

If you are eligible for a COVID vaccination you are welcome to book or *walk in at Middlewich Victoria Hall, CW10 1AS

To book email
smash.bookings@nhs.net

You will need to include in your email:

- Your full name
- Your date of birth
- Your postcode
- Your NHS number

Clinic times	
Date	Time
Friday 8 th October Pfizer vaccines only	8am – 1pm

*Walk in available for first and second dose, which needs to be 8 weeks after your first

*High risk 12-15 year olds and third dose immunosuppressed patients **booked appointments only**

Healthy 12-15 year olds cannot be vaccinated at this clinic

COVID-19 VACCINATION POP-UP CLINICS

There's no need to book your vaccine **just walk-up!**

Pfizer BioNTech vaccinations will be available on both days

You will need:

- Your date of birth
- Your address
- An email and phone number

If you know your NHS number please bring it with you, but if you don't - don't worry!

Date & time	Location
Friday 8 th October 10am – 5pm and Saturday 9 th October 10am – 5pm	Market Hall, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BL

If attending for your second dose please make sure it has been at least 8 weeks since you had your first dose

Young people aged 16 and 17 years are currently being offered a **first** dose of vaccine only

Children's Hospital Pyjamas (Registered charity 1185739)

The charity Children's Hospital Pyjamas have launched an appeal for donations of brand new pyjamas to be donated between now and 31st October. These will then be donated to Leighton hospital children's ward and The Countess of Chester children's ward in time for Christmas.

Any leftover pyjamas are then used throughout the year for emergency situations where a child may have had their clothes cut off in A&E or when they have ended up staying in hospital unexpectedly.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL PYJAMAS
SPREADING LOVE THROUGH COMFORT

CHARITY NUMBER: 1185739

PYJAMA APPEAL!

Donate a brand new pair of Pyjamas for a poorly child at
THE COUNTESS OF CHESTER HOSPITAL AND LEIGHTON HOSPITAL

Each year, we collect donations of brand new pyjamas from new-born to age 18, which are then gifted to children in hospital on Christmas morning. In reality, they are also used in other situations where children may have had their clothes cut off in A&E or in an emergency situation where there hasn't been time to pack essentials.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Please donate a brand new pair of non-fleece pyjamas (as hospitals are cosy enough). Have a collection at work, through family & friends or even your local school could have a PJ Day or simply donate a pair yourself.

LOOK ONLINE AT
www.childrenshospitalpyjamas.co.uk
FOR YOUR NEAREST DROP OFF POINT

Or order via Amazon with free delivery to Co-ordinator
https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3548LJFPPKCK?ref=wl_share

WHY? Because no child wants to be in hospital at Christmas and if they have to be they want to be wearing brand new cosy PJs to make their stay as comfortable as possible at such a fearful time.

Follow us on our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages 'Children's Hospital Pyjamas' to see us delivering your PJ'S x

Lisa, Area Coordinator | 07835 660083

OUR APPEAL IS FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 31ST OCTOBER 2021

Safeguarding

Friends of Springfield

Meeting - Thursday 14th October

Friends of Springfield School would like to remind you that we will holding a meeting this Thursday 14th October at 12pm. At the moment we are still not sure if it is to held via Teams or face to face meeting at Springfield. This will be determined by whether we can accommodate a socially distanced venue.

Please could you email to let me know if you are able to attend: judy.colclough@springfield.cheshire.sch.uk

If we hold the meeting at school, can I remind you of our school policy that face masks must be worn in school and that you have completed a negative lateral flow test prior to your arrival. I will

keep you posted as soon as I can. Friends of Springfield School are starting to get back into the swing of what we are good at, so watch this space for updates!

At the end of this half term we shall be holding a Freaky Friday Hair Day combined with a non uniform day which will be a Halloween costume theme. Prizes will be awarded to the freakiest hair do's and creepiest costumes. All staff and students can enter. All we ask is that you send in £1 for your child to participate in this day. We will also be holding a Halloween Raffle and I will be sending out further details next week. I would like to ask if anyone would like to donate any raffle or competition winners prizes to our fun day. If so, then please contact me, Judy, by the email above or by sending items in to School with your child.

Just a reminder that we have our Friends of Springfield school Facebook page where you can find further information and details of our upcoming events and how to participate in our Friends of Springfield School weekly lottery. Thank you everyone for your ongoing support for such a great cause!

Friends of Springfield School Lottery

Just a reminder to buy your Friends of Springfield School [Lottery tickets](#).

- Help us raise essential school items
- Support our lottery from just £1 a week
- Guaranteed cash prizes every week
- Win up to £25,000

Friends of Springfield School

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WIN
A YEAR OF
FRUIT & VEG
HOME DELIVERY

12 monthly fruit & veg boxes
delivered to your door

The **PEARfect** prize!

- Help us raise essential school funds
- Tickets cost just £1 a week each
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- You could even win the £25,000 jackpot!

To support your school, go to:
YourSchoolLottery.co.uk
and search for: Friends of Springfield School

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. See website for T&Cs. Closing date for entries: 17th July 2021

Reminders

Parents Evening

Due to the current situation our parents evening will not be able to run in our traditional format this year.

As an alternative we will be offering parents an opportunity to have a virtual or telephone conversation during the **week beginning 18th October**.

Your child's teacher will be in touch to arrange a convenient time.

School Dinners

The cost of school meals remains the same as last year:

- Primary aged pupil (year 3-6) - £2:30 per meal
- Secondary aged pupil (year 7 and over) - £2:50 per meal

We are a cashless school and therefore ask that all dinner money payments are made via ParentPay. You will be able to check balances on your ParentPay account and ask that you do not allow your child's account to go into debt.

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, you can check and apply via the [Cheshire East website](#).

If parents do not have ParentPay accounts activated and need assistance, please contact Andrea in Admin.



Nut Free School



For new and existing parents please remember that we are a Nut Free School and be mindful of this when sending in snacks or packed lunches.

Springfield Sensory Facebook Page

There is a private Facebook page for staff and parents called 'Springfield Sensory'. This group contains lots of resources which parents may find useful at home and which are suitable for all abilities. You can identify it by the logo shown.



Our NHS Team

Nursing Team

Important

Could parents/carers let the Nursing Team know of any changes in their child's conditions/medications/ A & E attendances etc via eSchools to Jenny Smith, Katie Mulroy or Debbie Potts. Parents can e-school, send letters or call us. We are in school between 8.30am and 16.30pm each week day.

Direct phone numbers to the nursing team are:

01270 826151 there is an answerphone on this.

01270 826150 there is no answerphone on this.

- New number for parents to activate their pad orders for Cheshire East children: NHS chain supply activation line - 0800 0304466
- The contact number for any issues with pads or if current pads are no longer suitable is: Bowel and Bladder Nurses - 01270 826360

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy

If you have any questions regarding your child's physio/OT/Orthotics care, the team can be contacted via eSchools, or telephoning school and asking for the Therapy Department. Could you please let us know of any upcoming orthopaedic appointments or planned surgery that has been scheduled for your child. Hayley Mitchell, Physiotherapist is in school Monday to Friday and Yvonne Williams, OT works on a Monday.

Useful contact numbers

For wheelchair reviews:

Physio/OT office: 01270 826153

Wheelchair assessment unit: 01625 663345

Wheelchair repairs: Rosscare 0151 6536000

Speech Therapy

We are always keen to hear from you - please feel free to contact us with any questions about your child's treatment.

Jo Currie is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Alex Makin is available Wednesday (pm), Thursday, Friday

Phone the school on 01270 691900 or on direct line 01270 826152.

Email: joanne.currie2@mcht.nhs.uk

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Or contact via eSchools

Contact Us

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