

# SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL



## Newsletter - 23

11th March 2022

### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy week in school lots of different activities taking place alongside further training for staff. It has been lovely observing pupils across school and watching them make progress. A huge well done to all our pupils receiving pupil of the week.

Some of our older pupils have been asking questions this week about the ongoing situation in Ukraine, where it is appropriate we will sensitively discuss this with pupils. As you will see below we will be asking pupils to come in blue and yellow next Friday to show our support for Ukraine.

#### **Uniform**

Could I just remind parents that hooded jumpers are not part of school uniform and should not be worn in school. Pupils do not have to wear branded uniform but jumpers need to be crew neck or V neck in either red for primary or black for secondary / sixth form.

I have spoken with our older pupils this week about wearing the correct footwear, please encourage your child to wear the correct uniform and if you are having difficulties please let us know.

We will always take into consideration where pupils need an alternative to the standard uniform to meet their own individual needs.

Here is the link for the full uniform guidelines:

[http://www.springfield.cheshire.sch.uk/website/school\\_uniform/371672](http://www.springfield.cheshire.sch.uk/website/school_uniform/371672)

Have a lovely weekend,

Lisa

Headteacher

## News and Information

### **Calling All Staff and Springhigh/Secondary Parents**

**SPRINGHIGH ARE SUPPORTING THE WISHING WELL CHARITY THIS YEAR TO HELP BRING SMILES TO THE FACES OF MANY LOCAL CHILDREN THIS EASTER, WE NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.**

**We are asking for Easter egg donations, to be sent into school by  
Friday 18th March.**

**PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATIONS TO 3LC WHO WILL COLLECT  
AND DELIVER THE EGGS TO THE WISHING WELL CHARITY.**

**Thank you in advance for your support.**

### **Comic Relief Red Nose Day - Friday 18th March**

**Comic Relief Red Nose Day - Pupils and staff are invited to come to school wearing blue and yellow to show our support for the Ukraine.**

Donations can be made to Comic Relief (who are funding organisations that are supporting people in the Ukraine):

- Comic Relief <https://donation.comicrelief.com>
- The British Red Cross DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal  
<https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal>
- Via ParentPay <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=7527>

### **World Down Syndrome Day - Monday 21st March**

**Monday 21st March is World Down Syndrome Day - Pupils and staff are invited to come to school wearing odd socks** Donations can be made direct at  
<https://lotsofsocks.worlddownsyndromeday.org/pages/get-involved>

### **World Autism Acceptance - Friday 1st April**

**Friday 1st April is World Autism Acceptance - Pupils and staff are invited to come to school wearing a spectrum of bright colours** Donations can be made direct at  
<https://www.autism.org.uk/get-involved/donate>



## Growing together: Resource toolkit for schools

The Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families have produced free toolkits of resources for primary, secondary and FE students, as well as parents and carers, all about keeping children and young people safe online. Access the toolkits here.

[https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/keeping-safe-online-toolkit/?utm\\_source=mhs&utm\\_medium=newsletter&utm\\_campaign=onlinesafety&utm\\_content=toolkit](https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/keeping-safe-online-toolkit/?utm_source=mhs&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=onlinesafety&utm_content=toolkit)

## CEIAS Service

Cheshire East  
Information Advice & Support  
**CEIAS**



A service for children and young people who have Special Educational Needs or Disability and their families

### New enquiry consultations

Cheshire East Information Advice and Support Service are offering online or telephone sessions that are 1:1 with an experienced member of the team

Sessions are available each week however availability is limited so please book to avoid disappointment

The online session will be available via Microsoft Teams and we will send you a link to join online the day before the session

To book a new enquiry consultation please contact us via email:  
[ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

Alternatively, you can call us on 0300 123 5166

(Please leave a quick message as the team are continuing to work remotely at this present time)

Many Thanks

The CEIAS Team

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## Useful Information

- **Jigsaw** – Jigsaw is the SEND Youth Forum for 11-25 years old's who have a diagnosed or undiagnosed additional need.

The group meets from 6-8pm at the following:

1st and 3rd Thursday: Cheshire East Youth Support Service, 33 Great King Street, Macclesfield, SK11 6PN  
2nd and 4th Thursday: Crewe Lifestyle Centre, Moss Square, Crewe, CW1 2BB  
Young people can also join virtually from 6-7pm via Microsoft TEAMS. Young people will get the opportunity to work on projects and have their say on SEND related issues and also make new friends. Contact Sophie Cliffe email: [sophie.cliffe@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:sophie.cliffe@cheshireeast.gov.uk) or [participation@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:participation@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

- **Cheshire PA Support** – see flyer below, they do have spaces currently too.
- **CEIAS Preparing for Adulthood Coffee Morning** – being hosted on the 16th March 2022 please see the attached leaflet for further information.

- **Winter Wellbeing and fuel and energy support** – please see the attached information that can help if you have recently received your recent energy bills and what local support and help we have.

Finally for our carers we would love to share with you the following: [CEC Carers Hub Animation v2 - YouTube](#) Over the last two and a half years you have been incredible and this video highlights how much you have all been through and how Cheshire East Carers Hub have listened, and have helped and how they are here for you going forward.



### CEIAS COFFEE MORNING

#### Preparing for adulthood (PFA)

Cheshire East Information Advice and Support Service are holding an online parent and carers coffee morning on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March between 10am and 11am

Louisa Joyce will be our guest to chat to parents and young people regarding Preparing for adulthood

This is an online event via Microsoft Teams

To book a place please contact us via email:  
[ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

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## Cheshire PA Support

*Providing support for adults with additional needs in the community*

## CHESHIRE EAST\* SPACES NOW AVAILABLE!

Cheshire (Disability) PA Support service works with children (aged 15+) with low to moderate SEN, and adults with additional and learning difficulties.

Providing independence out and about in the community, enabling young people to gain new experiences to enhance their lives.

All support is tailored to meet the needs of an individual with community-based sessions.

*\*Spaces in Crewe, Nantwich, Sandbach and Northwich areas only.*

**Please feel free to forward this flyer on, or if you would like more information please do get in touch.**



Cheshire PA Support

Tel. 07484 142389 • [www.cheshirepasupport.co.uk](http://www.cheshirepasupport.co.uk)  
Email: [info@cheshirepasupport.co.uk](mailto:info@cheshirepasupport.co.uk)



## LEAP Project

### Green Doctor

## SAVE ENERGY AND SAVE MONEY

### TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR FUEL BILLS WITH OUR FREE SERVICE

When money is tight, a small saving can make a huge difference. Our Green Doctors can help you to keep you warm and well and save money on your bills.

We can provide support, information and advice on:

- Switching suppliers to the most affordable tariff
- Applying for grants to write off existing fuel debt
- Installing measures to reduce energy usage
- Helping you understand how to use your existing systems
- Referring you to other programmes that fund loft insulation and boiler installations.

We can provide energy saving devices including:

- Draughtproofing
- Reflective radiator panels
- LED light bulbs
- Water saving devices.

For some extra support we can provide assistance to possibly save you £140 by applying for Warm Home Discount.



To arrange a FREE home visit, or to find out more, contact your local Green Doctor on FREEPHONE 0330 1740863 or email: [greendocor@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:greendocor@groundwork.org.uk)



To qualify, you must be able to tick at least one from BOTH of the following boxes:

#### BOX A

- ☐ You live in a privately rented or privately owned home

#### BOX B

- ☐ You are in receipt of an income or disability related benefit
- ☐ Your household income is less than £26,000
- ☐ You are living with a long term health condition
- ☐ You have a disability that is affected by the cold
- ☐ You live in Cheshire, Halton or Warrington\*

\*Telephone FREEPHONE 0330 1740863 to find out if you qualify. Green Doctor is provided by Groundwork, the community charity with a green heart, in partnership with:



## LEAP - The Energy and Money Saving Service

**FREE  
FOR LOCAL  
RESIDENTS**

We are offering local residents a completely **FREE OF CHARGE** service called **LEAP** (Local Energy Advice Partnership). **LEAP** can help you to save money and keep your home warm and cosy.

#### HOW IT WORKS:

If you are eligible, we will book you an appointment with one of our friendly, qualified advisers. **LEAP** can:

Help check if you are on the cheapest energy tariffs - could save you over £280 a year.

Install **FREE**, simple energy saving measures which can save the average household £30 on their energy bills a year.

Give you day-to-day energy efficiency hints and tips and ensure your heating system is set up to keep you warm and save money.

Arrange a **FREE** telephone advice service to help with benefits, debt and other money problems.

Refer you for further energy efficiency improvements, such as loft insulation or a new boiler.

Call us now on **0800 060 7567\***

(Freephone) to book your appointment, or apply online:

[www.applyforleap.org.uk](http://www.applyforleap.org.uk)

@LeapService \*8.45am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday.

#### ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

You may be eligible for the LEAP service if one of the below apply. If you:

- have a low income
- receive tax credits
- receive Housing Benefit
- receive an income or disability related benefit
- have a long term illness or disability.



## **Household Support Fund**

### **Other useful links**

Emergency Assistance programme [Emergency Assistance \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/emergency-assistance)

Care and Repair [Care and Repair \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/care-and-repair)

### **Local Area Coordinator**

We also have some 'Winter Warmth' supplies that are available for anybody that may need them. We have blankets, duvets, heaters, hot water bottles, hats, gloves, thermal socks, slow cookers etc.

Should you need any of these resources then please do not hesitate to contact your Local Area Co-Ordinators:

**For information relating to any of the above, please contact the organisation directly or more information can be sought from:**

Sarah Jacklin | Local Area Co-Ordinator | Adult Learning Disability and Transition Team

Cheshire East Council | People Directorate

email: [Sarah.Jacklin@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.Jacklin@cheshireeast.gov.uk)

## YouTube Activity Channel

This week's activity video is by Miss Fife and Miss Jennings. Enjoy joining in with some actions to our nursery rhymes! Please follow the link below to watch it:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8h2R01wqQRbOGl0E4gLXDg?app=desktop>

We would really appreciate your feedback about the YouTube channel and the support we can provide via our social media platforms. Please find below a short survey to complete:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LFXDC9S> Thank you, Rosie, Abbie and Natasha

## The School GATE

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### **The School**

**G** = gain

**A** = answers

**T** = through

**E** = each other

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### Questions and discussions:

Secondary parents had a meeting via teams regarding Deputyship, this is for when your child reaches adulthood. For those people who were unable to attend, I have attached the PowerPoint for you to look at and if you need to contact Louise, please message me privately.

See you all next week at The School Gate..... everyone is welcome.

Everyone is welcome, please join us!

**All sessions will be held in the Café at the Apollo Buckingham site.**

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

Term time only, no booking required.

## Friends of Springfield

### 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

## Reminders

### School Dinners

The prices for school meals are:

- 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.

**Details of the free school meal service can be found at**

**[https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free\\_school\\_meals.aspx](https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx) You can apply online or call 0300 123 5012 for further information and help.**

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

## Nut Free School



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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.

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## 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.





## NHS Team

### Nursing Team

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
- Number for the special needs dentist - 01270 275792

### 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 Hannah Bennett, Physiotherapist, is in school Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and is part of the Therapy Outreach Programme. Yvonne Williams, OT works on a Monday.

Useful contact numbers

For wheelchair reviews:

Physio/OT office: 01270 826153

Wheelchair assessment unit: 01270 826323 Infinity House, Crewe CW1 6ZQ

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.

Beth Black - Apollo therapist, available on a Monday.

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

Email: [joanne.currie2@mcht.nhs.uk](mailto:joanne.currie2@mcht.nhs.uk)

[alex.makin@mcht.nhs.uk](mailto:alex.makin@mcht.nhs.uk)

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Or contact via eSchools.

## Contact Us

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