SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL



Newsletter 17

5th February 2021

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well. It's lovely to see so much progress being made this week, both at home and in school.

We are really excited to be welcoming everyone back after the half term, most pupils will be returning to school.

I will be writing to you next week to clarify arrangements for after half term.

Have a lovely weekend,

Lisa

News and Information

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 9th February is Safer Internet Day with a theme of 'Together for a better internet', about making the internet a safer and better place for all, and especially for children and young people. With the increased use of the internet, particularly under current circumstances, for keeping in touch, it is particularly relevent at the moment. Here are some links that may find useful:

- There is more information about Safer Internet Day at https://www.saferinternetday.org/
- Childline have a page related to staying safe online and advice https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobilesafety/staying-safe-online/

 CEOP has information on how to report concerns https://www.ceop.police.uk/safetycentre/

Techniques to Relax and Calm

As part of Children's Mental Health Week we have been looking at techniques to change the way we feel at certain times. Here are some links to a couple of short videos showing techniques for children to relax and calm down when upset or angry. They show a simple technique called 'belly breathing' and the other is entitled 'How to avoid becoming a lizard'. They're good fun to do and work for adults too!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n1ooIOMoFts

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mb0g-z9g8eQ

Annual Parent Carer SEND Survey



Annual Parent Carer SEND Survey - deadline 8 February The deadline for our annual survey for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities is fast approaching. The closing date for responses is **Monday 8 February 2021.**

The survey is aimed at parents and carers of those children and young people who've had an education health and care (EHC) needs assessment or an autism assessment with the NHS.

We want to know if improvements made to services during the last year have been seen and felt by parents and carers and ultimately improve the lives of children and young people with SEND across Cheshire East.

The <u>link to the survey can be found here</u> as well as a short interview with Jacky Forster, director of education at Cheshire East Council, and chair of the SEND Partnership and Kate Walters, co-chair of the Cheshire East Parent Carer Forum.

Please help us to spread the word by <u>sharing this survey</u> with parents and carers, we really do want to hear their views to help us to improve services that support children and young people.



The Cheshire East SEND Partnership includes: • Cheshire East Council • Cheshire East Parent Carer Forum • Cheshire East Information • Advice and Support • NNS South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group





Free School Meals

There are still a few codes from Edenred which have not been redeemed. If you are entitled to free school meals and have not received an email or are having any difficulties, please contact us.

If your child is not currently receiving free school meals and you think you may be eligible to claim, please contact <u>Cheshire East Council</u>.

Meanwhile, if you are struggling, please do not hesitate to contact us in school.

Weekly Inspiration

This week it seems only fitting that The Springboard Project's midweek quotes come from the one and only Captain Sir Tom Moore, a true hero until the end. May he rest in peace.

'We will get through it in the end but it might take time, but at the end of the day we shall all be OK again... the sun will shine on you again and the clouds will go away.'

'Let's try not to get downhearted, we will get through this, whatever is thrown at us and together we can ensure that tomorrow will be a good day.'

Reminders

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

DINNER MONEY

Current school meal prices are:

Primary aged pupil (year 3-6) - £2:30 per meal

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

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

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.

The new number to call for any continence issues or change of size of nappies is 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 685446 or on direct line 01270 826152.

Emall: joanne.currie2@mcht.nhs.uk

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Or contact via eSchools

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