



Year 8 Newsletter December 2022

Message from Mr Johnson

Music Mark Accreditation

I am very pleased to tell you that Springwood High School has received the 'Music Mark Accreditation'. This is "In recognition of a commitment to providing a high-quality music education for all children and young people". We are very proud of this outstanding achievement.

National Music & Drama Education Awards 2023

I am also absolutely delighted and thrilled to announce that we have been shortlisted as a finalist in the National Music & Drama Education Awards 2023 as an Outstanding School, Music Department of the Year.

For all the very latest Springwood School news please visit Twitter @SHSKingsLynn

OFSTED

At the beginning of November, we had our two-day OFSTED Inspection. The result was that Springwood High School continues to be a 'Good' school.

OFSTED highlighted in their report that "Pupils are happy and safe", "Pupils have good relationships with their peers and staff", "Pupils are positive about their education", "Pupils appreciate the high-quality care and support they receive from staff".

They continued by saying that "Pupils engage well in the wider curriculum offer. Pupils, and Sixth Form students, benefit from the diverse choice of activities available. They talk passionately about the benefits of participating in different sports teams, as well as the wide range of music clubs. Singing is particularly popular. In addition, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) club and the school pantomime provide pupils with opportunities to develop particular skills and interests. Enrichment opportunities are inclusive and pupils from different backgrounds are well represented."

Thank you to everybody involved in the inspection.

The Big Dig

Mrs Munns and the Environment School Council organised a 'BIG DIG' on Saturday 26th November. This was to plant 420 saplings with the help of some students from Year 7, their parents and guardians and Springwood staff. I spent a wonderful autumn morning outside enhancing the school's natural environment and I personally enjoyed getting outside.





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Sport & PE

Our Year 9 and Year 11 Netball teams both took part in the Norfolk County finals during November. They rose to the challenge and we are very proud of them for getting to the finals. Our Year 11 table tennis team also attended the West Norfolk Championships. Tom gained 1st place and Camillo was 3rd overall. It was a great team effort from all the table tennis team.

For all the latest Sport & PE news please visit Twitter @SHSS_PE

Equality and Diversity

At Springwood we have staff and students from a wide range of backgrounds, cultures, abilities, religions, sexualities and gender identities. However, in West Norfolk we are still not as diverse as other parts of the country. Our job is to make sure that Springwood is a safe and welcoming place for all and for our students to become well-rounded young people who can go into the world and understand and respect those around them who are different to themselves and their experiences. That is why Springwood are introducing the new school pledge for quality and diversity; "I can be proud of who I am. I will ensure others have the freedom and safety to be proud of who they are."

Concerts and the Pantomime

At the beginning of December, we started to get into the Christmas spirit with the Trust Christmas Carol Service at St Nicholas Chapel. With student representation from across all eleven schools. What a fabulous evening it was and it was lovely to see so many Parents/Guardians there.

Then it was two nights of *fe fi fo fum*? *I smell the blood of an Englishman, be he alive or be he dead*? *I'll grind his bones to make bread*?? What a fabulous school production of Jack and the Beanstalk with around 120 students and several members of staff taking part. I so enjoyed seeing the whole school community come together in such a wonderful way.

Well, what a fabulous week it had been but it wasn't over yet. The following night we saw the Springwood Christmas Concert take to the stage. I think everyone will agree we have some very talented students here at Springwood who did us proud with such an absolutely fantastic performance.

Unfortunately, we went to press before the three productions of the Springwood Snowman Project took to the stage on the Saturday. Knowing our musical capability, I'm sure it will be a fabulous event.

For all tickets/reservations for future events please follow the link below: - https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/springwood-high-school-music-department

Wishing you all a Very Happy Christmas. Mr Johnson





Mr Hobbs – Head of Year 8 Ms Craig – Year Manager



Springwood

Merry Christmas everybody.

What an action packed term!

The big message from me is just how proud I am of the pupils that are throwing themselves into school life. We at Springwood are big believers in getting out of life what you put in. A huge number of our year 8 pupils take part in school life over and above the lessons of the school day. Pupils have been playing Rugby, Netball, Basketball, Football, Table Tennis, they have been attending STEM, Sparx, Maths, History, Board Games and Dungeons and Dragons clubs. Pupils have attended Drama, Dance and Music clubs and rehearsed for the Panto. We have also taken pupils on trips to enrich their experience, most notably to the Zoo, had a year 8 Disco, been fund raising and had Ofsted visit to tell us how lovely our school, teachers, pupils and parents are. All of the feedback from staff has been that your children have not only behaved impeccably (as I would expect) but also shown kindness, honesty and enthusiasm.

It is so important that the pupils keep up our 'Do it anyway' mindset whereby they realise that sometimes doing the right thing is hard but they do it regardless and also continue to buy in to all of the extra that Springwood has to offer.

On a personal note, I have been 'Hop along Hobbs' over the past few months after injuring my ankle, and I would like to say how much I have appreciated the genuine care shown from the pupils. The vast majority have asked me if I am OK, can they help, and shown me such respect.

We hope that you have a fabulous break and look forward to more of the same on our return.

Mr Hobbs





ATTENDANCE

Well done students below who have 100% attendance

Hager	A	8B2	100
Nelia	A	8S1	100
Roberts	A	8F2	100
Grace	A	801	100
Estela	В	8H1	100
Shiloh	В	802	100
Maisie	В	8F2	100
Kateryn	В	8O1	100
Emily	В	8O1	100
Callum	В	8H1	100
Poppie	В	8B2	100
Arthur	В	8S1	100
Kayleigh	В	8H2	100
Laeila	В	8H1	100
Daniel	С	8S2	100
Adrijanas	С	802	100
Lilly-Ann	С	8S1	100
Kacper	D	8B1	100
Xander	D	8F2	100
Lily	E	8H1	100
Ruby	F	801	100
Macey-Jo	F	8S1	100
Erin	F	802	100
Lucas	F	8H1	100
Samanta	G	802	100
Масу	G	8H2	100
Daisy-Louise	G	8H1	100
Zack	G	8S1	100
Charlie	G	8S1	100
Рорру	G	8S1	100





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Aimee	Н	8S1	100
Elliott	Н	8F1	100
Kian	Н	8F2	100
Caidan	Н	8F2	100
Bella	Н	8B1	100
Esther	J	8F2	100
Alvin	J	8S1	100
Elinga	K	8S1	100
Oliver	K	8F2	100
Methumlee	K	8F1	100
Ruby	L	8B2	100
Summer	L	8S2	100
Aiden	L	8B2	100
Faith	L	8F2	100
Ella-Louise	L	802	100
Livija	М	8S2	100
Finley	М	8S2	100
Jeshaun	М	8H2	100
Ronnie	М	8H2	100
Samuel	М	8F1	100
Hana	М	8F1	100
Bryony	М	802	100
Brooke	М	8B1	100
Leah	0	8S2	100
Oreoluwa	0	8H2	100
Annie	0	8H1	100
William	0	8H2	100
Riley	Р	802	100
Tilly	R	8B2	100
Ella	R	8B2	100
Belle	R	8F2	100
Jewel	R	802	100
Aiden	R	8B1	100

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Abin	S	8S1	100
Rayane	S	8H1	100
Rihana	S	8H2	100
Senoozhika	S	801	100
Daisy	S	8H1	100
Alfie	S	8H1	100
Ryan	S	8H2	100
Aaron	S	8B2	100
Rory	Т	8H1	100
Sebastian	Т	8H2	100
Maisie	Т	8B2	100
Leila	Т	801	100
Lexie	Т	8S2	100
Millie	Т	8H1	100
Kaden	U	802	100
Caitlin	W	8B2	100
Roxanne	W	802	100
Elizabeth	W	802	100
Georgie	W	802	100
Alexander	W	801	100
Chloe	W	8F1	100
Cherry	Y	8F2	100
Hui	Y	8F2	100

A MASSIVE well done to all our students who despite it being cough/cold season have maintained 100% attendance this term.

FANTASTIC ACHIEVEMENT





ATL SUPERSTARS

Lucia B	Elizabeth	WB	Esther J	
Daisy S	Hager A	Finle	ey M	
Ore O	Cherry Y	Sidney R		
Hiy Y	Daisy C M	Anya	Anya K	
Methumlee K	Ella R	(Olivia E	

Senoozhika S

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SUPERB EFFORT and a reflection of your enthusisastic approach to ALL of your lessons.

A MASSIVE well done to you all.

ENDEAVOUR

FUNDRAISER

A fun filled evening was had by children and staff. We danced the night away.

SUPERB BEHAVIOUR FROM ALL.

Well done Year 8 We are super proud of you!

Total funds raised for SPRINGFEST £750.00





Year 8 Postcard collection









Jeshaun

Well Done!

Miss Loizou Head of Maths









Is awarded to - XANDER

"fantastic progress in science, excellent engagement and a very positive attitude to learning"

Quote from Miss Dawson HEAD of SCIENCE

Well done Xander!





Year 8 ENGLISH SUPERSTAR

Applying his History knowledge into his English work, "superb" say's his English teacher, Mr Clark.

Well done Joe!







The Student Council is lead by our Year 11 Head Students and is made up of five different committees who help to make Springwood High School a better place to learn! These are our Year 8 representatives!

ENVIRONMENT:

Finley M

Ben M

Lily E B

TEACHING & LEARNING:

Methumlee K

Ore O

STUDENT WELL BEING:

Abi W

Maia K

Daisy Stapleton

EQUALITY / DIVERSITY

Sidney R

Lucia B

Daisy C M

EMBRACING SCHOOL LIFE:

Elizabeth W B















Total Achievement points 13,541 We return on Wednesday 4th January 2023

