



Message from Mr Johnson

As we approach the end of the first half term of 2024 we have lots to celebrate. Firstly, though I wanted to take a moment to address a recent issue with our local community.

Parking in Queensway and surrounding roads

It has been drawn to our attention by local residents that it is not always possible for them to gain access to or leave their driveways due to parked cars blocking them. We are therefore politely reminding you, on behalf of the residents and local council, that where access to a property is being blocked or there is a dropped kerb, a PCN (penalty charge notice) may be issued to the obstructing vehicle. Please can you continue to park responsibly when collecting your child from school.

The Queen Elizabeth Prize for Academic Excellence

I had the great pleasure of meeting Kings Charles III at Sandringham House on Sunday 7th January. Two of our students were presented with The Queen Elizabeth Prize for Academic Excellence. These were: -

Fatima Massawi – 2023 Winner

She achieved Biology A*, Mathematics A*, Chemistry A* and EPQ A* in her Advanced Level Examinations. Fatima is now studying Medicine at the University of Manchester.

Simona Pilmane – 2022 Winner

She achieved Chemistry A*, EPQ A*, Further Mathematics A*, Mathematics A*, Physics A* in her Advanced Level Examinations. Simona then went on to Imperial College London to study Mechanical Engineering.



Zara Bek – 2022 Winner

Unfortunately, Zara Bek was unable to attend but I met with her at a later date here at Springwood. She was one of our 2022 winners and achieved Economics A*, EPQ A*, History A*, Mathematics A*, Politics A* in her Advanced Level Examinations. Zara then went on to study Classics at Trinity College, Cambridge.



Beauty and the Best tickets are now on sale!!

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Please follow the link below to purchase your tickets

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/springwood-high-school-music-department>

We would love to see you there.



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I am very proud to be able to inform you that Springwood High School has been awarded the British Council's prestigious International School Award in recognition of its work to bring the world into the classroom.

The International School Award celebrates the achievements of schools that do exceptional work in international education. Fostering an international dimension in the curriculum is at the heart of the British Council's work with schools, so that young people gain the cultural understanding and skills they need for life work in today's world.

Springwood's international work includes a project on sustainable fashion with a partner school in Nepal, two Erasmus projects involving collaborative work with partner schools in France, Italy, Macedonia and Croatia, and opportunities for students to complete voluntary work in Thailand and Cambodia.

All the staff at Springwood recognise what an accomplishment this is and I thank them all for the hard work in delivering internationalism to our students.



Best wishes for the half term break.

Mr Johnson





Message from Head of Year

Dear Year 9 community,

As we, quite unbelievably, find ourselves reaching the mid-point of our academic, extra curricular and character building journey here at Springwood high school, it is with great pleasure that I offer a warm welcome to our February Newsletter.

This half term, and indeed academic year, has given the opportunity for a period of significant growth and reflection amongst our students, your children, as they navigate their way through the crucial decisions surrounding their Key Stage 4 subject selections.

Students have had the opportunity to take on information delivered by subject leads, via assembly, to enable pupils to come to an informed choice when considering subjects to study over the coming years.

It has been truly inspiring to witness the maturity and focus with which our pupils have approached this endeavour. Each choice that they are faced with and decision that they make take them one step closer to shaping their future pathways.

At this point, and as we reflect to celebrate the accomplishments thus far, I would like to recognise the hard work and dedication of not only the pupils but also you parents', carers and the teachers that guide and support pupils at every step of the way. This commitment and positive culture embodies our school community.

As we move into the second half of our academic year here at Springwood, we would like to encourage the same collaboration and communication to seamlessly traverse the Key stages and ensure that every pupil strives to meet their potential, reaching at their first choice future!

Kind Regards

Mr Hobbs
Head of Year 9, Assistant Headteacher.
Springwood High School



Year Office Contact Details

Year 9 Office direct dial 24/7 – 01553 778099

Year 9 email – classof2026@springwoodhighschool.co.uk

Head of Year – Mr Hobbs - d.hobbs@springwoodhighschool.co.uk

Year 9 Manager – Miss Savage - k.savage@springwoodhighschool.co.uk

School Website www.springwoodhighschool.co.uk



Useful Email Addresses



Parent App: enables you to access achievement, progress, attendance and assessment information.

For enquiries please email:
data@springwoodhighschool.co.uk



ParentPay®

Parent Pay: allows you to make payments to the school via a secure online account.

For enquiries please email:
finance@westnorfolkacademiustrust.co.uk

Latest News



For all the very latest Springwood School news please follow @SHSKingsLynn

For all the latest Sport & PE news please follow @SHSS_PE

School Term Dates

First Day of Term	Last Day of Term
Monday 26 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Friday 19 th July 2024

Training Days & Bank Holidays

Good Friday - 29 th March 2024
Bank Holiday – Monday 6 th May 2024

Year Group Key Dates

Date	Event
27 th March 2024	Reports available
13 th June 2024	DofE Bronze



Attendance Information

What should I do if my child is unwell? – If your child is unwell, please call the Year 9 Office on 01553 778099 or email classof2026@springwoodhighschool.co.uk before 8.00am and give the specific reasons and symptoms of the illness. You will need to contact the office EVERY DAY that your child is off. The information you give will be recorded on our official register.

If you are unsure whether to send your child to school please see the flowing link:

https://67aa.educdn.net/e/n57jy8/dsNF7c?_Su_&nk=NjU2NGE3Yzk0NDE3ZTQyOTY5YTAxZjBjLGthdGllLmdyaWZmaXRoc0Bub3Jmb2xrLmdvdi51azo6OjRneGZkd2dnc3VpeG11cGQ.

Leave of Absence – There may be exceptional circumstances where you need to request a leave of absence for your child. You will need to submit a “Leave of Absence Form.” These can be found on the school website or we have a paper copy in the office. This form needs handing into the Year 9 office. You will then receive a phone call, email or SIMS message sating if your request has been granted or denied.

Attendance Message

Attendance at school is key to your child’s success in the future. Students with high school attendance are twice as likely to pass their English and Maths GCSEs as those who do not. In fact, data shows that only 10% of students with an attendance of 85% or less will achieve 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, with one third of the students attending less than 85% achieving no GCSEs at all.

Missing just one day each week is the equivalent of losing 2 years of education, by the time a student reaches year 11. Even an attendance of 90% (missing on average half a day week) amounts to half a years teaching lost during the 5 years at secondary school. Every year at school is as important as another. Although years 10 and 11 are focussed on GCSE and exam work, years 7, 8 and 9 are key to having the building blocks in place in each of the subjects to be able to be successful in the later years.

Good attendance at school is not just about lessons and exams though. Being at school helps your child develop social skills and friendships, and allows them to interact more successfully within society.

Good routines are important – be it going to bed or getting up, taking exercise and just spending time with the family. Talk to your child about their school day: showing an interest in how things are going shows that you value school too.

Students should continue to attend school with minor illnesses; if you could go to work with that illness then your child should attend school. Thank you to all of those parents who do this already. As you know, we will contact you if your child does become too ill to be at school.

Punctuality to school is also key to good habits. Tutor time is just as important as any other lesson in school and therefore all children must be onsite by the time the warning bell sounds, at 8:45am, please, to ensure they are not late to these lessons.

If you need additional support with attendance, please contact the school at

attendance@springwoodhighschool.co.uk or use the following website:

www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance



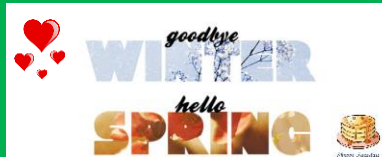
100% Attendance

6th Sept to 9th Feb4th January to 9th February

Name	Reg	% Attend
Estela	9H1	100
Adrijanas	9O2	100
Jasmine	9F2	100
Tegan	9H2	100
Matthew	8F1	100
Sandra	9O1	100
Alfie	9B2	100
Jack	9F1	100
Esther	9F2	100
Daniel	9S2	100
Anya	9S2	100
Faith	9F2	100
Jeshaun	9H2	100
Samuel	9F1	100
Bryony	9O2	100
Eman	9O2	100
Oreoluwa	9H2	100
Ogheneyole	9O2	100
Antoni	9B2	100
Riley	9O2	100
Gregory	9S2	100
Nathan	9F1	100
Tamzin	9F2	100
Isabella	9B2	100
Klarissa	9S1	100
Maisie	9H1	100
Rayane	9H1	100
Nyasha	9H1	100
Kristers	9O2	100

Name	Reg	% Attend	Name	Reg	% Attend	Name	Reg	% Attend	Name	Reg	% Attend
Ava	9F1	100	Zack	9S1	100	Robyn	9S1	100	David	9S1	100
Jonathan	9B2	100	Faye	9S2	100	Jeshaun	9H2	100	Nela	9H2	100
Elijel	9O2	100	Lola	9S1	100	Shayla	9F1	100	Gracie	9B2	100
Estela	9H1	100	Jayden	9H1	100	Lucy	9S1	100	Aiden	9B1	100
Joe	9O1	100	Aimee	9S1	100	Ronnie	9H2	100	Maisie	9H1	100
Shiloh	9O2	100	Elliott	9F1	100	Ben	9F1	100	Alfie	9O1	100
Leah	9S2	100	Kian	9F2	100	Samuel	9F1	100	Rayane	9H1	100
Maisie	9F2	100	Alfie	9B2	100	Elena	9B1	100	Senoozhika	9O1	100
Casie	9F2	100	Jack	9F1	100	Bryony	9O2	100	Daisy	9H1	100
Callum	9H1	100	Caidan	9F2	100	Felicity	9F1	100	Alfie	9H1	100
Henry	9F2	100	Bella	9B1	100	Alfie	9B1	100	Freddy	9F2	100
Amaru	9O2	100	HBella	9H2	100	Eman	9O2	100	Ashley	9B1	100
Daniel	9S2	100	Isabelle	9H1	100	Oreoluwa	9H2	100	Daisy	9S1	100
Adrijanas	9O2	100	Esther	9F2	100	Ogheneyole	9O2	100	Nyasha	9H1	100
Lilly-Ann	9S1	100	Ashlen	9O1	100	Antoni	9B2	100	Lacie	9B2	100
Emily	9B1	100	Daniel	9S2	100	Annie	9H1	100	Leila	9O1	100
Daisy	9O2	100	Libby	9O2	100	Riley	9O2	100	Kristers	9O2	100
Jasmine	9F2	100	Libby	9B1	100	Imogen	9O1	100	Millie	9H1	100
Sam	9O1	100	Justas	9F1	100	Gregory	9S2	100	Kaden	9O2	100
Lily	9O1	100	Elinga	9S1	100	Nathan	9F1	100	Alexander	9O1	100
Tegan	9H2	100	Sofiia	9S2	100	Tamzin	9F2	100	Samuel	9O2	100
Matthew	8F1	100	Anya	9S2	100	Anish	9F1	100	Sophie	9H1	100
Daisy	9O1	100	Methumlee	9F1	100	Amelia	9F2	100	Lexi	9F2	100
Isabella	9B1	100	Ruby	9B2	100	Gabriel	9B2	100	Alice	9F2	100
Ruby	9O1	100	Summer	9S2	100	Amogh	9B2	100	Chloe	9F1	100
Macey-Jo	9S1	100	Faith	9F2	100	Theresa	9S2	100	Cherry	9F2	100
Charlotte	9F2	100	Ella-Louise	9O2	100	Jewel	9O2	100	Hui	9F2	100
Sandra	9O1	100	Traian	9F2	100	Isabella	9B2	100			
Daisy-Louise	9H1	100	Finley	9S2	100	Klarissa	9S1	100			





YEAR 9 FORM GROUP ATTENDANCE

9O1	94.9%
9F1	94.8%
9O2	94.4%
9F2	94.3%
9H1	92.7%
9B2	92.7%
9S1	92.5%
9S2	92.5%
9H2	89.3%
9B1	84.6%



ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

20,308

Twenty Thousand, Three Hundred and 8

Great effort, we are so proud of all of your achievements.

WELL DONE TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU!





Music/Drama Events Calendar 2023-2024

Spring Term

Date	Event	Venue	Ticket Prices	Time(s)
Tuesday 27 th Feb '24	Beauty and the Beast (School Musical)	PHH, Springwood High School	Adults £8 Under 18s £4 Under 5 years free*	6.30pm
Wednesday 28 th Feb '24	Beauty and the Beast (School Musical)	PHH, Springwood High School	Adults £8 Under 18s £4 Under 5 years free*	6.30pm
Thursday 29 th Feb '24	Beauty and the Beast (School Musical)	PHH, Springwood High School	Adults £8 Under 18s £4 Under 5 years free*	6.30pm
Friday 1 st Mar '24	Spring Concert (MFY Groups)	PHH, Springwood High School	£3.00 Under 18s Free	7.00pm
Sunday 3 rd Mar '24	Music For Youth Regional Festival	PHH, Springwood High School.	Free	8.30am-5.30pm
Sunday 17 th March '24	West Norfolk Wind Orchestra Concert	PHH, Springwood High School	£5 Adult £3 Under 18s	2.30pm
Tuesday 19 th Mar '24	Schools Make Music	Alive Corn Exchange	Alive Corn Exchange Box Office	6.00pm

* Under 5s Free of Charge - if they do not require their own seat
(i.e. if they are able to sit on their parents' lap)

For Ticket Sales nearer the event date please visit

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/springwood-high-school-music-department>

SPORTS NEWS

Rugby

On the 10th January Springwood High School year nines faced off against Aylsham High School away in the Norfolk county cup semi-final. In the early moments of the game, Springwood scored the first points with the help of a strong carry by Alfie with Fletcher scoring the conversion to make it 7-0. After this Aylsham used their physical pack to ram through the Springwood defence and score to tie up the game. Springwood then applied the pressure in attack once again with a team try to put them ahead going into the second half by a narrow lead of 7 points.

At the start of the second half, Springwood played poorly and conceded two tries in the span of just ten minutes putting Aylsham in front for the first time. After the initial excitement of the first half, the game reached a stalemate with no one scoring points for a large fraction of the second half, until this was broken by a clever play from the Springwood back line. Bringing the game to an intense tie with five minutes remaining both teams putting on pressure until Springwood gained territory in the opposing half and began to work their way forward into touching distance of the try line until Springwood managed to get the ball wide and go over for the winning try and with seconds to spare, Fletcher converted the try to end the game 24-17. Putting Springwood into the finals.



Piece written by Logan & Hector



KS3 Rugby team enjoying a treat after getting through to the final.

Year 9 Girls Basketball @ KES 2nd Overall



Nelia, Millie, Elinga, Mileyrose, Daisy, Eryn & Daisy

KS3 Girls Badminton @ KLA 6th place



Senoozhika, Mileyrose, Bethany & Eryn

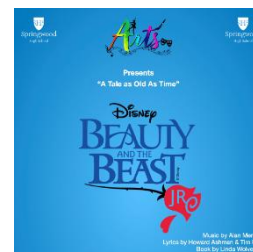


OTHER NEWS

Beauty and the Beast



So, me (Tegan) and Evie are 2 of the 6 back stage helpers for the play Beauty and the Beast. Me and Evie's job is to follow along the script and move a chair with different colour blankets on it and a box with yellow fabric at certain moments. The other back stage helpers focus on getting the actors on stage and changing the set. It is really cool watching all the actors perform and mostly sing and dance. Me and Evie are planning on matching on the performance days. I think the play is very interesting and amazing to watch. If you're planning on coming, it's on the 27th, 28th and 29th February in the PHH at 6:30pm. It's only £4.



Tegan & Evie

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Duke of Edinburgh Award

Sophie gave up her Christmas morning to volunteer at Parkrun for her DofE.



Student Year Council



Hagar, Joe, Logan, Amaru, Kacper, Justas, Anya (not pictured), Traian, Daisy and Lily.

Our wonderful year 9 students who have stepped up to be part of the Student Year Council this year.

Sparx Maths

Stars of the Month



Year 7

Sharen S

Year 8

Jeron M

Year 9

Jeshaun M

Year 10

Bailey R

Year 11

Kamayshika S





OTHER NEWS continued



Rewards Trip

A trip to the Trampoline Park in Peterborough for their massive effort towards school life and a McDonalds on the way home.

STEMM CLUB

We have a great turn out each Thursday for STEMM Club with some excellent projects coming together. This Extra Curricular Club is the equivalent of half a GCSE so their dedication each week is well placed.

David R, Lola G and Maisie R



Elizabeth W-B, Riley P and Emily B



Jack H & Alvin J





Extra-Curricular Activities

Monday

Kingsmen - Lunchtime - MU1
Keyboard Club - Lunchtime - MU3



Senior Cantabene - 3:30pm to 5:00pm - 6th Form Hub
Junior Woodwind (Woodwind Grades 1-3) 3:30pm to 4:30pm - MU1



Tuesday

Music Theory - Lunchtime - MU3
Senior Woodwind (Flute/Clarinet/Bassoon Grade 3+) - Lunchtime - MU1

Art Club – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – BA3
Photography Club – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – B12
Design Technology Club – Week 1 3:25pm to 4:30pm – T3
Fashion & Textiles Club – Week 1 3:25pm to 4:30pm – T4
Star Bakers Club – Week 2 3:30pm to 4:30pm – T5
Year 9 Football – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Sports Field
Concert Band (Wind/Brass/Strings/Percussion Grade 3+) - 3:30pm to 5:00pm - 6th Form Hub

Wednesday

German Club – Lunchtime – F4
Kingsmen - Lunchtime - MU1

Year 9 Rugby – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Sports Field
Year 9 Netball – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Astro Turf
Girls Rugby – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Sports Field
KS3 Dance – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Dance Studio
Sinfonia (Strings Grade2+) - 3:30pm - 4:30pm - MU1
Brass Ensemble (Brass Grade2+) - 3:30pm to 4:30pm - MU2

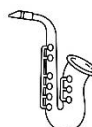


Thursday

STEMM Club – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – JL11
History Club - 3:30pm to 4:30pm - S7
Year 7-9 Girls Football – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Sports Field
School Musical (By Audition) - 3:30pm to 5:00pm - DS&MU1
Rock Club - 3:30pm to 4:30pm - MU2
Walkmen (Student Led) - 3:30pm to 4:30pm - MU4
Chess Club - 3:25pm to 4:30pm - LRC

Friday

Guitar Group (Beginner to Grade2) - Lunchtime - MU1
Sax Choir (By Invitation) - Lunchtime - MU2



All Years Fitness Club – 3:25pm to 4:30pm – Sports Field
School Musical (By Audition) - 3:30pm to 5:00pm - PHH
Big Band (By Invitation) - 3:30pm to 5:00pm - 6th Form Hub



Springwood

Nine
own it!

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Springwood
High School

February Newsletter



goodbye
WINTER
hello
SPRING



Act of AMBITIOUS Nominations

Articulate

Motivated

Brave

Independent

Thoughtful

Inquisitive

Organised

Unstoppable

Serious

Name	Form	AMBITIOUS	Name	Form	AMBITIOUS	Name	Form	AMBITIOUS
Sofia K	9S2	O	Rhiana S	9H2	M	Lola G	9S1	A
Elizabeth S	9B1	A	Justas K	9F1	T	Lucy M	9S1	B
Will O	9H2	T	Nell D	9F1	T	Seb T	9H2	M
Sophie W	9H1	I S	Abigail L	9F1	T	Kira B	9B1	T
Erin R	9H1	O	Hana M	9F1	T	Alfie N	9B1	T
Nick S	9H1	I U	Martim R	9H2	T	Tegan C	9H2	O B
Daisy S	9H1	O	Isabelle E	9B1	T	Evie D	9H2	M S
Alex W	9O1	T	Evie D	9H2	I S	Livija M	9S2	M
Sam W	9O2	T	Hector B	9S1	T	Sofia K	9S2	T
Sofia K	9S2	T	Robyn M	9S1	O	Libby J	9O2	M O
Anyia K	9S2	T	Elinga K	9S1	I	Ella L	9O2	M
Lola B	9H2	B	David R	9S1	A	Bryony M	9O2	M
Leon D	9H2	T	Logan B	9S1	A			
Zachary H	9H2	T	Charlie G	9S1	A I			
Leah B	9S2	M	Poppy G	9S1	B			
Leah O	9S2	M	Lily-Ann C	9S1	B			

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COMPETITION 2024...
OUR ENVIRONMENT

OPEN TO ALL AGE GROUPS ACROSS WHAT SCHOOLS
SUBMISSION DEADLINE 6TH MARCH 2024
PLEASE SEND SUBMISSIONS WITH ENTRANTS NAME, AGE AND SCHOOL TO
v.malkin@westnorfolkacademiestrust.co.uk
PRIZES CATEGORIES FOR KS1,2,3,4,5 & STAFF
FINAL 18TH MARCH 2024 @ SPRINGWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
JUDGING BY KINGS LYNN & DISTRICT CAMERA CLUB

JOB AND
CAREERS
FAIR

WED
MARCH 13

jobcentreplus

Hunstanton
Town Council

2-6PM

Smithdon High School in association with
Hunstanton Town Council and Job Centre Plus

Invites you to an afternoon of opportunity
At Hunstanton Town Hall (Parking available at Hunstanton
Community Centre, PE36 5BW.)

Meet local businesses, learn about careers,
further education and apprenticeships for
all ages, and find out about current job openings

GET INSPIRED. GET HIRED

Exhibitors Include:



For further details email s.fairweather@smithdonhigh.org.uk



School Uniform & Sports Kit Checklist

*Blazer

White, stiff collar school shirt

*House colour school tie

**Plain black tailored trousers

*School skirt

*School shorts

*School jumper

Plain black tights or plain black socks that must at least cover the whole ankle
(Trainer socks, and footless tights or leggings are not allowed)

Plain black (leather or leather-like) shoes

(no boots, black trainers, stilettos, ballet pumps, sling backs or toeless)

Plain coat (no logos or other markings) long enough to cover blazer properly

PE KIT

Compulsory:

*Springwood PE shirt

Black Shorts

Black Socks

Trainers (non-marking sole with grip)

Football Boots

Optional:

*Springwood sweatshirt

Black Track Suit Bottoms

Plain Black leggings

Plain Black 'skin' can be worn under PE shirt

Shin pads and gumshields

Items marked * can only be bought through the school website from Price & Buckland

**Trousers deemed appropriate by Springwood High School are available for purchase via our website. School trousers can be purchased from other suppliers. However, if the trousers worn by a student are considered unsuitable or inappropriate and a suitable alternative cannot be sourced from elsewhere, parents/carers will be directed to buy the trousers we have available through our website.

The school reserves the right to make the final decision on the suitability and/or appropriateness of the school trousers worn by Springwood students.

To view your online shop visit:

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/springwoodhigh>





Equipment Checklist

All students should have the following with them every day –
School bag, Knowledge Organiser, Pencil Case (Pens x 2, Red pen,
Pencil x 2, Ruler, Calculator, Rubber)



to have the correct equipment after being reminded once will result
in a 2-week EQUIPMENT REPORT.

All students need to be prepared daily.

THANK YOU



Parent, Teacher & Friends Association

The Springwood Parent, Teacher, Friends Association or PTFA has recently been reformed as we feel it is an excellent way to bring together parents, teachers and the local community, to raise money and help support the school.

It provides an opportunity for everyone to work together to:

- Raise funds to help the school provide resources and extra for the pupils.
- Provide support for school trips and outings and other special events.

All parents, teachers and school staff can get involved even if they only have a small amount of time available. You may wish to join the committee and be involved in the organisation, or just be available to serve teas and coffees at PTFA events - you may even just like to provide the odd cake here and there!

Whatever your preferred commitment, large or small, the Springwood PTFA would be very grateful for your help.

Please email to ptfa@springwoodhighschool.co.uk for further information or to express an interest or ask for an expression of interest form.

You can keep up-to-date with all the latest news from Springwood High School
on the School's Website or on X

www.springwoodhighschool.co.uk