

### Message from Mr Johnson

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We are very proud of our Construction learning facility here at Springwood and we are extremely grateful for MKMs support in provide us with PPE (safety boots and overalls) and materials (bricks and breeze blocks). I would like to thank Damian Roach, Branch Director and Matt Cobb, Trade Counter Salesperson who have been working closely with our staff over the past few months. Your support is very much appreciated.

#### Remembrance

Our Year 7 cohort did us proud when we held our Remembrance Service on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. The Rev Kyla Sorenson led our service of remembrance and students, who are also cadets, played an active part as well. Well done to them all.

#### **Big Dig Two**

Having been previously postponed because of the rain, on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November we were very lucky the sun shone and we finally got to plant our 420 tree saplings. We all enjoyed the experience; a good time was had by all that attended and a big thank you to the Environment Committee.

#### U16 Girl Rugby County Cup – Winners

I had the pleasure of meeting with our cup winning Team for a celebration doughnut and a drink. Fantastic result. Well done to you all.

#### Discos

During this term we have held two discos. The year 8's celebrated with a Halloween themed disco and there were some fabulous costumes on show. Then the year 7's held a Christmas Themed Disco. Thank you to the staff that have made the time to put on these extra events.

#### **Tutor Evenings**

During this term we have held Tutor Evenings for our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 cohorts. It has been lovely to meet so many of our Parents/Guardians during these evenings. I would like to say thank you for supporting your child and the School.

#### **Christmas Fair**

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December the PTFA held a very successful Christmas Fair raising funds for future projects.

#### **Springwood Christmas Concert**

I witnessed first-hand the Springwood Christmas Concert. I think everyone will agree we have some very talented students here at Springwood who did us proud with such a fantastic

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performance. Well done to everyone that took part and to everyone that works tirelessly behind the scenes.

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

What a fun fabulous way to end the term with so many students and staff wearing their Christmas Jumpers.

Best wishes to you all for your festive break.

Mr Johnson

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### Message from Miss Davies Head of Year 11

As this very long half term draws to an end, I would like to thank you for your continued support. This half term has flown by. We have seen a variety of success from students, including good results from the October assessments, sporting success, personal triumph, carol concerts and much more.

2024 is a big year for us, it is GCSE year and for some students, it will be the year they move on from Springwood High School. We need to ensure we maximise our time in and out of lessons.

The next half term is a very busy one. We have a Core Subject Information Evening on 11th January 2024. It also sees the final assessments in the exam hall for GCSE subjects before the public exams in the summer, please do look at the timetable that has already been shared with you and support your child with some revision over the holidays. I look forward to seeing the results and the continued positive effort towards their GCSE's.

Looking to the new year, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we have high standards for our uniform and expect students in the New Year to return wearing the correct uniform, and having the correct equipment for lessons. Please see page 17 and 18 of this Newsletter as a reminder.

I would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year.

Rebecca Davies Assistant Head - Head of Year 11



Year 11 Team Miss Davies & Mrs Isle







### **CONTACTING THE YEAR 11 OFFICE**

Please can you use the following email accounts to make contact with the Year 11 Office Miss R Davies, Head of Year 11 <u>r.davies@springwoodhighschool.co.uk</u> Mrs C Isle, Year 11 Manager <u>c.isle@springwoodhighschool.co.uk</u> General Year email <u>classof2024@springwoodhighshcool.co.uk</u> The direct dial telephone number 01553 778092 School Website www.springwoodhighschool.co.uk

### Attendance Information

What should I do if my child is unwell? – If your child is unwell, please call the Year 11 Office on 01553 778092 or email classof2024@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.

**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 11 office. You will then receive a phone call, email or SIMS message sating if your request has been granted or denied.

Date	Event
9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Interviews
11 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Core Information Evening
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Poetry Live Cambridge
30 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Interviews
1 <sup>st</sup> February 2024	PPE's Start
16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Last Day 1/2 Term
26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Return to School

### Year Group Key Dates







### Music Events Calendar 2023-2024 - Spring Term

Date	Event	Venue	Ticket Prices	Time(s)
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb '24	WNAT Vocal Evening	Recital Room (Mu1), Springwood High School	Free (with retiring collection)	6.30pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb '24	Rock and Pop Evening (Battle of the Bands)	Drama Studio, Springwood High School	£3.00 Under 18's Free	6.30pm
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> Mar '24	Spring Concert (MFY Groups)	PHH, Springwood High School.	£3.00 Under 18's Free	6.30pm
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar '24	Music For Youth Regional Festival	PHH, Springwood High School.	Free	8.30am- 5.30pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar '24	Schools Make Music Concert	Corn Exchange	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

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### **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

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### **100 % ATTENDANCE**



Salma A Tharul A Damifola A Angelo A Eidhel A Michael B Emilija B India-Rose B Deyon D Koby B Lukas B Ethan C Nikita C Isobel C Oliver Catalin C Zuzanna D Merry E Joshua F Shayne F Emily G Maddy H Jessie H Seth H Faith H Shane J Penny K Thomas L Ryley L Kaiden L Andrii M Abhinav M Kevin M Chloe M-B







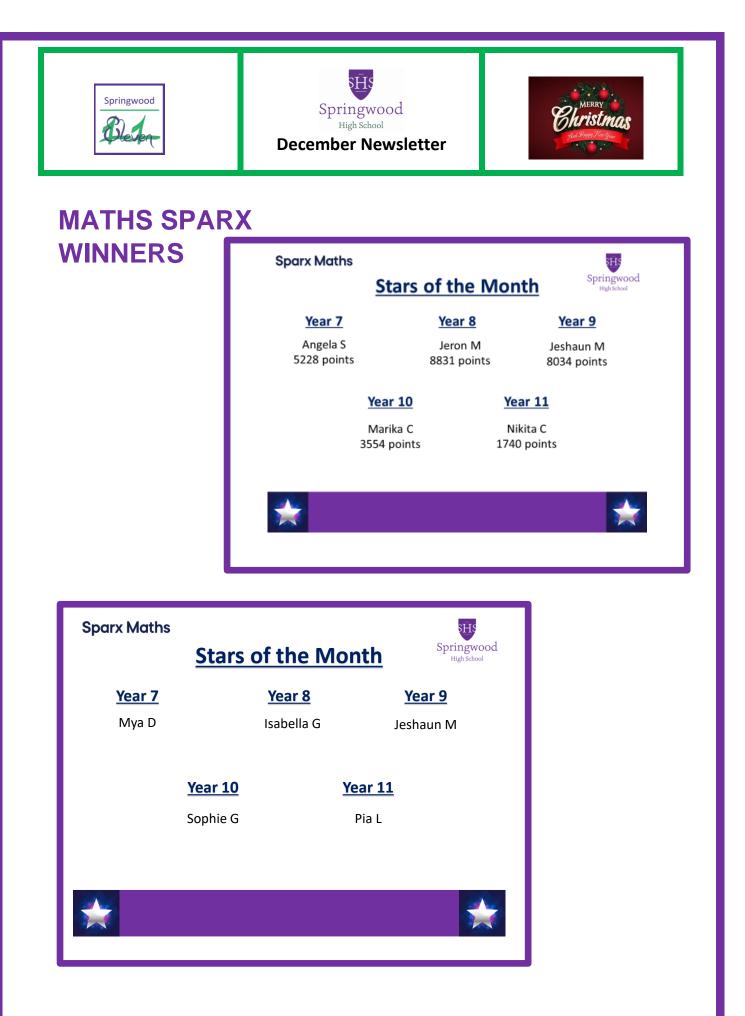




### **100 % ATTENDANCE**

Daniel M Arinze N Oliver O Kaisie P Miriam P-S Tyler P Olive R Brandon R Louie R R Eva Edwin S SARTE Tim SELF Lilia Dominyka S Kamayshika S Caitlin S Victoria S Deividas T Katelyn T Luke U Domantas V Dominic W Natalia Z

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### Year 11 students across the trust being challenged at their Trust Maths Gifted and Talented Day!









## Springwood students learn about career opportunities in the Norfolk Constabulary.









### YEAR 11 MOCK RESULTS DAY















### FINNLEY AND LOGAN

### SINGING CHRISTMAS SONGS IN A CARE HOME







### YEAR 11 FOOTBALL TEAM



### YEAR 11 NETBALL TEAM









## Extra-Curricular Activities

(Current)				
Monday	Foundation Maths Revision	Lunchtime	B1	
Tuesday	Foundation Maths Revision	Lunchtime	B1	
	Art Club	3:25pm to 4:30pm	BA3	
	KS4 Maths	3:25pm to 4:30pm	B8	
	Year11 Football	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Sports Field	
Wednesday	Foundation Maths Revision	Lunchtime	B1	
	KS4 Maths	3:25pm to 4:30pm	B8	
	Year 10/11 Rugby	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Sports Field	
	Girls Rugby	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Sports Field	
	KS3 Dance	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Dance Studio	
Thursday	Foundation Maths Revision	Lunchtime	B1	
	KS4 Maths	3:25pm to 4:30pm	B8	
	Year 11 Netball	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Astro Turf	
Friday	Foundation Maths Revision	Lunchtime	B1	
	All Years Fitness Club	3:25pm to 4:30pm	Sports Field	

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### YEAR 11 EXTRA SUPPORT 2023 - 2024

Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Maths - https://padlet.com/cloizou/ks4 -revision-resources- s358zru0p6zsf4j0		Lunch time revision for foundation classes in B1 After school maths revision in B8 3.30pm-4.30pm	After school maths revision in B8 3.30pm- 4.30pm	After school maths revision in B8 3.30pm- 4.30pm	
English		MASSOLIT: Deeper thinking about the Literature texts H2, 3.30-4.15	Online support 7-8pm via google classroom	Drop in H2 3.30-4.40	
Science		Science support in 07, 3.30 - 4.30			
French			FRENCH REVISION AND SUPPORT 3-30pm-4.30pm in F3		
Spanish			Spanish revision and support 3-30pm – 4- 30pm in F8		
German	German support/ revision from 12.40 until 1.05pm F3				
Geography	After school targeted revision 3.30-3.50 S4/5/6				
Art				GCSE student support 3.30- 4.30pm BA3	
Media Studies			After school support to complete coursework J1 3.30-4.30	After school support to complete coursework J1 3.30-4.30	
PE			PEP F13 3.30- 4.30		Revision O2 3.30- 4.30

\* RE – will put on sessions later on in the year. If you have any questions or issues please speak with your RE teacher

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### **School Term Dates**

First Day of Term	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024	

Last Day of Term Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### **Training Days & Bank Holidays**

Training Day - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

Good Friday - 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Bank Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### **Useful Email Addresses**



Parent App: enables you to access achievement, progress, attendance and assessment information. For enquiries please email: <u>data@springwoodhighschool.co.uk</u>



Parent Pay: allows you to make payments to the school via a secure online account. For enquiries please email: <u>finance@westnorfolkacademiestrust.co.uk</u>

### **Latest News**



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

For all the latest Sport & PE news please follow @SHSS\_PE





**December Newsletter** 



### **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:

### **Optional:**

\*Springwood PE shirt Black Shorts Black Socks Trainers (non-marking sole with grip) Football Boots

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











### **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)

Failure 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 you 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

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



# RETURN TO SCHOOL Thursday 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024