





# Springwood Newsletter

### October 2021 Half Term

Many thanks to the hard work of all our students and staff during this half term. I have been very impressed with the enthusiasm and commitment of our school community. It has been great to get closer to "normal", particularly with the increase in our extra-curricular participation, sports fixtures and the return of school trips. As ever, our curriculum doesn't end at 3.25 and it is great to see so many students take advantage of the tremendous opportunities and experience our school offers.

There have been many highlights to the term already, but after more than a year without our open evenings it is worth thanking both students and staff for their involvement in the Year 6 and Sixth Form open evenings alongside our school tours. I was proud to see our school community showing prospective students and parents what we have to offer.

As we continue to take measures to keep ourselves and our community safe, we will be considering potentially increasing Covid safety measures next half term. We will certainly continue to expect all students, except those who are exempt, to wear face coverings as they move around the school buildings. With this in mind, please ensure your child has a reuseable face mask with them for use in school: we would really like to reduce the amount of disposable masks given out on a daily basis.

As you know, this term the whole school is mourning the loss of one of our students. I cannot easily convey the huge sadness felt by us all and we send our condolences to his family and friends.

Best wishes

Mr Johnson



### Year 11 Team

### Mr Cuss & Mrs Robinson

This half term has been a very encouraging start to the final year for Year 11 students. We have seen great focus, hard work and some excellent achievements from our students. The introduction of our Head Students across the school has shown a high level of leadership and role model influence to our younger students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Head Students for their efforts so far.

Our Planning for Success evening was very well attended and it was lovely to have parents and students back in the same venue again. This half terms focus has been preparing students for the first choice destinations next year. Our Super Learning Day was dedicated to assisting students with their applications to Sixth Form or College, we are so impressed with how Year 11 took to the task and applied.

We would like to wish all Year 11 students the best of luck ahead of their PPE exams starting 8th November and look forward celebrating their success before Christmas.

We hope you have a lovely half term.

Mr Cuss & Mrs Robinson



# Year 11 Key Dates

- \* PPE Exams 8th—19th November 2021
- \* Year 11 Health Check in all subjects Friday 10th December 20201
- \* Destinations deadline Friday 10th December 2021
- \* Year 11 Reports to parents Tuesday 11th January 2022
- \* Year 11 Parent Evening Thursday 13th January 2022—more information to follow next term
- \* PPE Exams 31st January 2022—11th February 2022
- \* Year 11 Reports to parents Monday 14th March 2022
- \* Year 11 Health Check 21st—31st March 2022
- \* May 2022 External Exams begin
- \* Year 11 Prom Friday 1st July 2022

# **Term Dates Summary**

	AUTUMN TERM 2021	
Mon 6th September 2021 To Fri 22nd October 2021	<u>Half Term</u> Mon 25th October 2021 to Fri 29th October 2021	Mon 1st November 2021 To Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
	SPRING TERM 2022	
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 to Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	<u>Half Term</u> Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 to Fri 18th February 2022	Mon 21st February 2022 to Fri 1st April 2022
	SUMMER TERM 2022	
Tues 19th April 2022 to Fri 27th May 2022	<u>Half Term</u> Mon 30th May 2022 to Fri 3rd June 2022	Mon 6th June 2022 to Thurs 21st July 2022

## **Training Days & Bank Holidays**

**<u>Staff Training Days</u>** - Friday 22nd October 2021 and Tuesday 4th January 2022.

May Day Closure - Monday 2nd May 2022

Additional Bank Holiday Closure Day - Friday 22nd July 2022



#### Appendix 1

#### SPRINGWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

### UNIFORM & SPORTS KIT CHECKLIST

Items marked \* can only be bought from the school \*\*From September 2021, girls in Years 7, 8 and 9 at Springwood High School wishing to wear trousers must wear SHS trousers purchased from the school shop.

BOYS	
*Blazer	
White, stiff collar school shirt	w
*House colour school tie	
Plain black tailored trousers	
*School jumper	
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Plain black shoes (leather or leather-like) (no boots or black trainers)	Plain bl (no boots, l
Optional *SHS Shower proof school coat or Plain coat (no logos or other markings) long enough to cover blazer properly	Optional *S coat (no log
PE KIT	
Compulsory:	
*White logo T-shirt	
Black Shorts	
*Purple Socks	
*House colour rugby shirt	
Trainers (non-marking sole with grip)	Traine

Optional: Black Track Suit Shin pads and gumshields

Football boots

\*Blazer White, stiff collar school shirt \*House colour school tie

GIRLS

\*\*Plain black tailored trousers or

\*School skirt

\*School jumper

Knee length plain black socks or plain black tights

Plain black (leather or leather-like) shoes (no boots, black trainers, stilettos, ballet pumps, sling backs or toeless)

Optional \*SHS Shower proof school coat or Plain coat (no logos or other markings) long enough to cover blazer properly

PE KIT

Compulsory: \*White logo T-shirt Black Shorts \*Purple Socks \*House colour rugby shirt Trainers (non-marking sole with grip) Football boots

> Optional: Black Track Suit Shin pads and gumshields



We have a new chair of the PTFA, **Paul Blandford**, and we would like to encourage all parents, teachers and school staff to get involved even if you 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.

If you are interested in joining us, please email <a href="mailto:ptfa@springwoodhighschool.co.uk">ptfa@springwoodhighschool.co.uk</a>