



Springwood Newsletter – Autumn First Half Term

Messages from Mr Johnson

Key Messages from Mr Johnson

This half term has certainly flown by and we have been so impressed with the way been working in their lessons and how they have adapted to the changes we have

There has been an excellent effort made on wearing masks and following one-way praised students ourselves, but please reiterate this message at home; their effort: appreciated.



One way our students show pride in their school is the way in which they wear their uniform. This has been a little more difficult than normal while students are wearing their PE kits to school. We value your support in maintaining our standards by ensuring your child only wears permitted items of clothing. If you are not sure what is allowed, please check your child's planner or the Springwood website. Please note that hoodies are not allowed at any time including on PE days.



The Springwood Parent, Teacher, Friend Association, PTFA, is an excellent way to bring people together to raise money and help support the school and the pupils of Springwood.

It provides an opportunity for everyone to work together to:

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

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.

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 11th November 2020 6-30 pm on-line**. If you are interested in joining us, please email ptfa@springwoodhighschool.co.uk and we will ensure that the zoom link is shared with you ahead of the next meeting.



Mr Hobbs



Ms Craig

- Well done Year 11 in the baseline assessments.
- At present we are predicting a **record year of 78%** of pupils achieving a grade 4 in English and Maths
- Pupil's should be constructing a balanced schedules, hobbies, exercise and academic revision
- Revision needs to be thought through. Quiet space, retrieval exercises and remaining focussed. No phones, no distractions.

Message from Mr Hobbs.

The year group have come back really "on it"

Behaviour is good, attainment and progress very positive. We have really enjoyed seeing the students again, we are so proud of the young people that they are becoming. Now for taking our first choice future – THIS IS IT!

LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Retrieval Practice
PRACTICE BRINGING INFORMATION TO MIND

TRY IT NOW

Close your book, and write down as much as you can from memory.

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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Spaced Practice
SPACE OUT YOUR STUDYING OVER TIME

- 1 TESTING
- 2 SPACING
- 3 SKETCHING

TRY IT NOW

Think of a topic you read about a few chapters back. What were the main ideas?

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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Elaboration
EXPLAIN AND DESCRIBE IDEAS WITH DETAILS

TRY IT NOW

Close the book and think about how what you just read connects to something you already know.

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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Interleaving
SWITCH BETWEEN IDEAS WHILE YOU STUDY

TOPIC A, TOPIC B, TOPIC C

TRY IT NOW

OK, you've read enough about this topic. Why don't you try to answer some questions about a different topic for a bit?

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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Concrete Examples
USE SPECIFIC EXAMPLES TO UNDERSTAND ABSTRACT IDEAS

TRY IT NOW

Look around you: Can you find an example related to the idea you were just reading about?

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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Dual Coding
COMBINE WORDS AND VISUALS

TRY IT NOW

Now that you have read a bit, close the book and draw a visual that incorporates the main ideas.

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