

Message from Mr Johnson

This time last year, I wrote about testing times and the hope that twelve months from then we would be back to normal. We have all had challenges to face and we know there are more to come. However, throughout these times, I remain incredibly proud of our students and our school community.

Recently, we have been able to safely get together for various school events and I have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming parents back into the school. We have also celebrated our passion for music with our Christmas Concerts at St Nicholas' Chapel.

We have been fundraising and through your generosity, we will be donating £687.50 to The Save The Children Fund and £567.20 to The Purfleet Trust along with boxes of food. This is another record-breaking year, improving on last year's record total of £593.34 for Christmas Jumper Day!

When we return in January, we will be continuing our drive to improve punctuality across the school. Please be aware that this drive will include locking all of the additional gates, expect the main gate, at 8.45 am.

We have enjoyed celebrating students' efforts to 'get it right' through weekly prize draws for all the students with zero behaviour points each week and we will continue this in the new year. We will also be going the extra mile to reward students who demonstrate high levels of pride in their school work so please encourage your children to do their best in lessons.

And finally, if you haven't already booked an appointment for your child's Lateral Flow test on January 4th, please use the parents evening booking system to do so.

I hope you have a safe and enjoyable festive season and I look forward to welcoming all of our students back on Wednesday, 5th January 2022.

Mr A Johnson

Year 10 Newsletter

Another term has flown by and as Christmas approaches it is a good time to reflect on just how much this year group have achieved. The start of their GCSE courses has been met with a new sense of urgency and maturity from the students, who have been impressing us all with their achievements. I am excited to see how they perform in their first assessments in the New Year, they certainly have the potential to be one of the very highest achieving year groups Springwood has seen!



Fab Form Friday Competition

We have been celebrating the best form each week. To win this award we look at achievement points, behaviour, attendance and lates. The winning form are then greeted on a Friday morning with a tray of breakfast goodies.

Winners

12/11 10S2



19/11 10B2



26/11 10F2



03/12 10 F1



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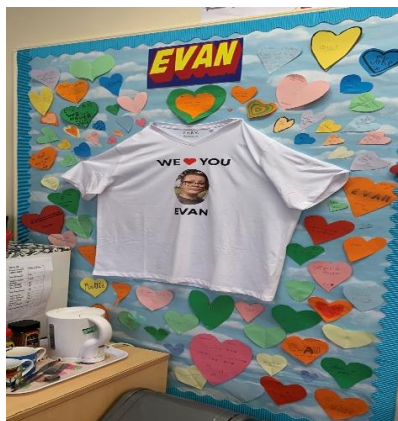
My future task



Mr Johnson set the 'High Flyers' a task to write what their future ambitions were and why. All students produced some amazing pieces of work. They were rewarded with biscuits, drinks and lots of praise from Mr Johnson.

In memory of Evan Turner

We held an assembly in memory of Evan Turner. As a year group we looked at photos, shared memories and listened to music that was liked by Evan. The year group have been fundraising and have so far raised over £500. We have had charity football matches, cake sales, raffles and very generous donations. The money raised will go towards a bench and the rest will go to a charity such as Mind.



Stem trip



A fantastic group of Year 10 girls chosen by the Science Dept attended a STEM Women of the future conference at the UEA. I was particularly proud of them as we were the first school to answer a question and some of the girls volunteered to go up on the stage and help with one of the experiments. We were introduced to several learning female Scientists from across the World who told us their inspiring stories.



Barney Kivlin is heading off to South Korea to take part in the world's largest scouting event. He is joining thousands of other young people at the World Scout Jamboree in August 2023.

The event happens every four years with each participant having to complete a tough selection process including map skills, team-work tests and quizzes plus raising thousands of pounds to be involved.

We are very proud of Barney it's a massive achievement to be selected for this once in a lifetime experience.

We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a very happy new year.

Mr Scoles and Miss Wright