



Springmoor Grange School Newsletter

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Fabulous Sports Days

It has been great to hold all of our Sports Days over the last couple of weeks and they have been a fantastic success, filled with lots of excitement and plenty of smiles! All of the children tried their very best as they took part in a variety of fun activities. Huge thank you to Mrs Walker for organising all of the Sports Days and preparing all of the resources, certificates and medals. Thank you to Mrs Payne and the rest of the staff for supporting the event. We are incredibly proud of all our children for their enthusiasm, determination and fantastic teamwork. Well done everyone!

🌞 Outdoor (AKA Indoor!) Education Day 🌞

On Thursday we had a very fun, hot, and sticky day taking part in a carousel of exciting activities around the school! With the warm weather, some of our outdoor plans became indoor adventures, but that certainly didn't stop the fun. All of the children had a fantastic time trying out the different activities, and the staff enjoyed joining in too. It was wonderful to see so many smiles, teamwork, and enthusiasm throughout the day. Please check your child's Seesaw page for lots more photos from today's activities! 📷😊

Spennymoor Gala Day - Saturday 4th July

Have you got your cowboy hats and boots ready to mosey on down to Spennymoor Gala and represent Springmoor Grange? If you have, please meet the staff on Barnfield Road at 12:00noon - we are in Zones 13-14. Wear your best western attire too of course. We do ask that any children parading are accompanied by an adult - the Springmoor staff will not be responsible for the children through the parade! Individually wrapped sweets are always a highlight so bring some along too if you would like! See you there!

SpringFest Summer Fair - Thursday 9th July 1 - 4pm



It's back, and it's going to be bigger and better! After the amazing success of Christmas at Springmoor, we have decided to make SpringFest not only a festival of wellbeing, but also a summer fair to raise a few funds for all the amazing things we do at school. SpringFest has always been one of the highlights of the school calendar and we would love for you to join us again this year. It's a perfect opportunity to invite all parents or other family members to come along and enjoy the afternoon with us in our school grounds. You can take part in a range of wellbeing activities (we'll have to persuade Mr Webb to get hit with wet sponges again this year!) but also have the chance to support local businesses on their stalls at the fair. We will of course have the ever-popular food vans and ice cream man to keep everyone fed and watered. If you, or anyone you know, would like to book a stall, please contact the school office. Stalls can be secured with a £10 donation to school fund. We can't wait to see what this year's fair brings!

Weekly Class Charts Top Scorers

Reception	Robbie W and Thomas H	Year 4	Frankie M
Year 1	Lexi W	Year 5	Grace R
Year 2	Jersey B	Year 6	Florence W and Erin Y
Year 3	Sienna R		

Springmoor Grange Uniform

Here is a reminder of our school uniform – please note the additional information about suitable shoes:

Early Years (Nursery and Reception)	Purple Sweatshirt or Cardigan Yellow Polo Shirt Black/Grey Joggers (Nursery) Grey Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore Purple Checked Summer Dresses Trainers (Nursery) Black Shoes (Reception) – these must be waterproof to protect children’s feet. Fabric shoes and crocs are not allowed. Children can wear black training shoes but they must be fully black and have no logos.
Years 1, 2, 3 and 4	Purple Sweatshirt or Cardigan White Polo Shirt Grey Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore Purple Checked Summer Dresses Black Shoes – these must be waterproof to protect children’s feet. Fabric shoes and crocs are not allowed. Children can wear black training shoes but they must be fully black and have no logos.
Years 5 and 6	Purple V Neck Jumper or Cardigan White Cotton Shirt School Tie Grey Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore Purple Checked Summer Dresses Black Shoes – these must be waterproof to protect children’s feet. Fabric shoes and crocs are not allowed. Children can wear black training shoes but they must be fully black and have no logos.

The children from Reception to Year 6 also need the following PE kit:

- White T Shirt.
- Black, navy or grey jogging bottoms.
- Trainers – this must be a change of shoes to the ones they wear with their uniform.

If you wish to purchase the logo on the uniform, it can be purchased using the following link:

[Springmoor Grange School – C & A Embroidery and Print \(caembroidery.co.uk\)](http://caembroidery.co.uk)

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 28 th June – Wednesday 1 st July	Y6 Residential to Newby Wiske Hall
Monday 29 th June	2:30pm – Birch Class Assembly
Tuesday 30 th June	2pm – Y1 Parent/Carer Workshop
Wednesday 1 st July	2pm – Y2 Parent/Carer Workshop
Wednesday 1 st July	2:30pm – Kestrel Class Assembly
Thursday 2 nd July	2:30pm – Maple Class Assembly
Friday 3 rd July	10:15am and 2pm – Buttercup Stay and Play
Monday 6 th July	Reception – Visit to Seaham Marina
Monday 6 th July	2:30pm – Raven Class Assembly
Thursday 9 th July	SpringFest
Friday 10 th July	Years 3 and 4 – Visit to Jarrow Hall
Monday 13 th July	2:30pm – Owl Class Assembly 2:30pm – Elm Class Assembly
Tuesday 14 th July	2:30pm – Swallow Class Assembly
Wednesday 15 th July	Mock Junior parkrun 9am – KS1 9:30am – KS2
Wednesday 15 th July	1:45pm – Nursery Graduation
Thursday 16 th July	9am – Year 6 Celebration Assembly
Friday 17 th July	2pm – Year 6 Guard of Honour
Friday 17 th July	3pm Close for Summer
Summer Holiday	
Tuesday 1 st September	PD Day – School Closed
Wednesday 2 nd September	PD Day – School Closed
Thursday 3 rd September	Start of New School Year – Open to Children

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.org.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

STAYING SAFE AROUND WATER

Enjoying time in, on, and around water plays a vital role in a young person's overall development, offering a healthy and exhilarating way to have fun. This guide outlines essential safety advice, based on the Royal Life Saving Society UK's Water Safety Code, to help ensure children can enjoy swimming and similar activities safely and responsibly.

1 STICK TO LIFEGUARDED AREAS

It's never advisable to enter unsupervised bodies of water, especially alone. Instead, it's considered best practice to accompany children to places with lifeguards, as they will be trained to respond swiftly in emergencies and provide first aid when needed.



2 LEARN SIGNS AND FLAGS

When going to a new environment, it's important to research the local area and make children aware of safety signage before entering the water. If visiting the seaside, make sure children are always supervised by an adult and that they know what different beach flags mean, so they're knowledgeable of where and when they can enter the sea.



3 STOP AND THINK

Young people should be cautious before entering water, as it's difficult to know what hazards could be underneath. Use the Water Safety Code and encourage children to ask themselves questions such as, "Is the water too deep or too shallow? Are there currents, tides, or underwater objects?" Make sure children know never to enter water from a height, as what lurks below could cause serious injuries.



4 CONSIDER WATER TEMPERATURE

Even on hot days, water can be deceptively cold. Tragedies arise when young people experience cold water shock. Never let children enter water quickly; instead, ensure that they enter slowly and carefully to allow their bodies to adjust to the temperature or exit easily if needed.



5 INFLATABLE SAFETY

Although inflatables may seem like a fun idea when visiting locations like the beach, they can float further out from shore and into more dangerous water. It's advisable only to use inflatables in spaces like appropriately managed swimming pools, where they're used in more controlled and supervised environments.



6 SUPERVISION IS KEY



For young children, and particularly those under the age of five, it's important for them to be supervised at home, outside and at the pool at all times. It's essential for parents and educators to understand that young children can drown quickly and silently; therefore, anyone supervising them must maintain constant watch in case they get into difficulty.

7 DON'T GO TOO FAR



When swimming, especially in open water, it's best to teach children to stay within a safe depth. Share advice with them such as only entering water up to a standing depth, and in the case of visiting the beach, swim parallel to shorelines. This will allow a child to stay in control and get out of the water easily.

8 KEEP POOLS AND TUBS DRAINED

For parents of young children, a simple way to protect them at home is to keep outdoor spaces and bathrooms tidy after playtime. This includes removing water from paddling pools after use and turning them over, returning lids to hot tubs and taking toys out of bathtubs, so as water can be fully drained from the tub.

9 FLOAT AND CALL 999



If a child gets into difficulty in the water, they should try to float on their back, stay calm, and call for help. If a young person sees someone else in trouble, they should dial 999 or 112 immediately, then shout to reassure their friend, encouraging them to float on their back, and letting them know that help is on the way. Children should never enter the water to attempt a rescue or retrieve belongings.

10 TEACH WATER SAFETY



Beyond swimming lessons, children should be educated in school on water safety. Use RLSB UK's accredited programme, 'Water Smart Schools', which offers free lesson plans and resources on how to be safe on, near and around water by following the Water Safety Code.

Meet Our Expert

The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK) is a national water safety charity that gives children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water, safely. Water safety education provided in schools is vital and, in some instances, could be a child's only opportunity to learn about the water.



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