

Springwood Heath News

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The school's website is where you will find out about what is happening at the school over the long term. Information about the curriculum, staffing, school rules etc. is easy to find. In addition there are articles about how we spend Pupil Premium and the Schools' Sports Grant, as well as the latest holiday dates.

[@springwoodheath](https://twitter.com/springwoodheath)

Here you will find our brilliant Twitter Account where you can find out and see what your children are up to in school almost as they are doing it. Let us know if you wish to become a follower—all items are downloaded by staff.

Christmas CRASH

Our C.R.A.S.H. (Cool Reader at Springwood Heath) programme continues to go from strength to strength. Our aim is to remind all children how much fun can be gained from reading.

Have you visited the Readers' Café in Calderstones Park? As well as tasty food, you will find a variety of books to read there and then, as well as details of events run by the Reader Organisation in the Mansion House in the Park.

In addition, Mrs Dunbar would like to thank you all for supporting the recent Book Week—we took in over a £1,000 (a record) which meant more than £300 worth of books for school free.

As a result she has organised a Springwood Heath Scholastic Book Club for you to browse the latest in children's books and then order them online. They will be delivered to school from where you can collect them. For every £1 spent we receive 20p in book credits.

All you need to do is type in <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/springwood-heath> and away you go.

So if you are thinking of Christmas presents, you could do no better than providing your child with one of these current children's favourites—Pokémon Encyclopaedia, books by David Walliams, Jacqueline Wilson, Michael Morpurgo and Malorie Blackman, stories from around the world and Diary of a Wimpy Kid.

Shortlisted Again!



For the third year running we have been shortlisted for an Educate Award, but this time in two different categories—Community Partnership and SEND Provision. These awards are presented to schools throughout the Merseyside Region, not just in Liverpool. We shall know the results at a ceremony at the Anglican Cathedral on Friday 18th November—let's hope it is third time lucky.

Thanks to all those parents who supported the recent Thanksgiving Assembly. I am sure all of you who attended really enjoyed seeing how your children are thinking about what goes on in school and the lives of other people.

As a result of your kindness we have been able to buy two toilets for use in an African village.

Shoebox Appeal



The response this year has been brilliant. All the boxes had have been taken, but you can use any shoebox. We still have leaflets

indicating the kinds of gifts to put in the box—collect one from the school reception desk. It would be a great help if all boxes were returned in the next week so that they can be dispatched in good time.

Children In Need

We are also supporting Children in Need on Friday 18th



BBC
Children in Need

November by asking each class to organise an enterprise activity for the afternoon. Each class will be given £10 to set up an activity and any profit that they make will go to the Children in Need Appeal.

The children may require a small amount of money to spend—we shall let you know how much next week.

Also we are asking everyone, including parents, to wear something spotty for the day.

School Grounds

You will have spotted some changes to the layout of the school grounds. The changes have been necessary in response to requests from parents about the danger of thorny bushes near play areas and careless walking

across grassed areas which was turning them into muddy areas—the new fencing, however, is too high and will be lowered in the next few weeks.

We hope that you would want your child to enjoy pleasant surroundings as they play and come to school, so please help, by making sure that they play only in the permitted areas, when you arrive at and leave the school grounds.

Can I also remind you that, for safety reasons, children and parents, should dismount their bicycles on entering the school grounds.

Otter's Disability Evening
Monday 7th November
5pm - 7pm

Come and join us for our first ever disability evening in our soft play barn!! AND to celebrate it being our first one... it will be totally FREE

What's included? ...2 hours play and a snack box (sandwich roll, crisps and coralol)

Bring along your brothers and sisters and let them join in the fun too!

otterspool adventure centre For enquiries email - info@otterspooladventurecentre.co.uk or call 0151 494 3044

Please make a note of these dates

Community Christmas Bingo — Thursday 24th November—eyes down 7.00 p.m.

Foundation Stage Winter Concerts
Wednesday 14th December at 10.00 in the morning and 2.00 in the afternoon

Family Christmas Celebration—Friday 14th December at 6.00p.m.

Christmas Grotto — Monday 5th December
Christmas Discos—Monday 19th December
Christmas Party Day— Tuesday 20th December
Achievement Assembly – Wednesday 21st December 9.30 a.m.