

# School Newsletter

## This Week At Spring Bank

Dear Parents,

It's been another busy and exciting week here at Spring Bank, with lots of learning and fun activities happening across the school.

For parents looking for a Reception school place for September 2025, a reminder that applications should have been submitted via Leeds City Council's school admissions process. If you have missed the deadline, please don't worry. Contact the school office as soon as possible, and we can support you with your next steps.

On Monday, our Year 4 geographers took a trip to Headingley Centre as part of their current topic. They were exploring the local area, looking at areas of interest and landmarks, including the beautiful St Michael's Church. I'm sure they came back full of interesting observations and ideas.

Year 5 have also been out and about this week, visiting 'Rainbow Junktion'. Their trip linked in perfectly with their learning about the journey and process of food, and the importance of food sustainability. It's wonderful that the children are able to experience these real-world connections to their classroom learning. I was also incredibly proud to hear how both Year 4 and Year 5 represented our school on their respective trips. Their behaviour was fantastic, and they asked some really insightful questions and made some excellent contributions. Well done to them all!

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## Trips and OPAL

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our parent volunteers. Trips and visits like these would be very difficult to arrange without your support. We really appreciate you giving up your time to help us enrich the children's learning experiences.

In other exciting news, thanks to the hard work of Mr. Walker and the generous funding from the PTA, we opened our new sandpit this week! It's been a huge hit with all the children, and our Year 6 pupils were particularly enthusiastic on the opening day, supporting the younger children and showcasing their impressive pyramid-building skills. We are still waiting for the delivery of the sand kitchen, which will add another dimension to the children's play.

On Monday, we will have all our OPAL play areas open (except the garden area). A reminder that children need to change their shoes before accessing the grass and muddy areas of the school. We do have some spare shoes in various sizes, but our supply is limited. If you have any old wellies gathering dust at home, we would be very grateful for any donations! Welly racks are currently being installed at the top of the school, where you will also find welly cleaning stations and changing benches. Each class's welly and spare shoe storage boxes have also been moved to this dedicated area.



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## Next Week at Spring Bank

Looking ahead to next week, our Reception and Year 1 children are in for a treat! They'll be taking part in the Teddy Bear Hospital workshop, run by Leeds University Medical students. During this interactive session, the children will learn how to apply bandages and give medication at a number of different medical stations set up in the hall. I'm sure their furry patients will be very well looked after!



Finally, a reminder for our Year 4 and Year 5 parents: On Monday, 3rd February, we have the Nell Bank residential meeting. This is a really important opportunity to find out all the details about this exciting trip. Following the Nell Bank meeting, we will also be holding the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check meeting. Please enter the school via the Year 5/6 cloakroom door. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **REMINDER**

A polite reminder to all parents: Please do not use the school car park after school. Also, if your child attends after-school club, please ensure you collect them promptly at the end of the session. We have to vacate the building very shortly after 6pm, so your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Jordan License  
Headteacher Spring Bank School