



Spring Bank Primary School



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A Warm Welcome Back to Spring Bank!

Welcome back! We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready for a new school year. A special welcome goes to all our new families joining the Spring Bank community for the first time—we're so excited to have you with us.

Our Team This Year

Our website will be updated soon with all the staff changes, but here's a quick overview of who's who around school this year:

Nursery: Miss Morgan O'Neill & Mrs Jenny Miller **Reception:** Mrs Jowsey, Mrs Done and Miss Younis (trainee teacher who is with us until December) **Year 1:** Ms Huntley & Ms Duck **Year 2:** Miss Houldsworth & Mr Rea **Year 3:** Mrs Baruah (Mon-Weds), Mrs Robertshaw (Weds-Fri) and Miss Wahid (trainee teacher who is with us until December) **Year 4:** Miss Mitchell and Mr Martin **Year 5:** Mr Wrankmore, Mr Muirhead and Mr Rhodes **Year 6:** Mrs Ward & Mr Bickerdike

You'll also see Mrs Wilton teaching in most classes each week.

We have a couple of new faces joining us this year. Mrs Wilks has joined us for the year from Owlcotes Trust. She's an experienced school leader from Leeds and will be with us on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Miss Parashar is our new leader for wraparound care, working alongside Mr Muirhead at breakfast club and Meena (who is currently recovering from surgery) at after-school club.

In the office, you'll still find Miss Maloney-Young and Mrs Bonner, who continue to do an amazing job.

Our dedicated lunchtime staff are Miss Bucknell and Miss Charlesworth. After lunchtimes, they'll often spend time listening to children read during our 1 pm assembly times.



Attendance & Punctuality

Over the past two years, our school's attendance has improved drastically, and we thank you for your support with this. Opening the doors at **8:50 am** has helped with morning congestion, and it ensures children are ready for learning at 9 am. Our attendance target for this year, set by the children themselves, is **96%**. If you feel you may need support with improving your child's attendance, please speak with Miss Maloney-Young or Miss Ditta.

At the end of the day, please continue to let us know if someone different will be collecting your child. You can do this by contacting the class teacher via Class Dojo or by letting the office team know. If you are running late, please inform us as soon as possible. Please note that very late and persistently late families will be charged for after-school club.

A Change for Our Safeguarding Team

You may notice a change in Miss Ditta's title. Her new title is Safeguarding and Pastoral Lead, which better reflects her daily roles and responsibilities. Our dedicated safeguarding team includes: Miss Ditta, Miss Houldsworth, Mrs Done, Mr License, and Mrs Wilks.

Getting Families Involved

Inviting families into school is a priority for us this year. You can expect to hear from teachers about upcoming workshops, lesson drop-ins (especially for art and DT), and invites to performances. If you are able to help out on school trips or listen to children read on a regular basis, we would love the support—this extends to wider family members as well! Please let your child's class teacher know if you're available to help.

Our Very Special Helper

You'll be seeing more of our much-loved school dog, Dougie, this year! He has a timetable to work with students each day, and we expect his role in the school to grow over the course of the year.

We hope you all have a wonderful start to the school year and as always, please get in touch if you need support with anything.

Best wishes,

Mr J License

Headteacher