## Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

## Could you be our next volunteer?

Springwater School relies on the generous help of volunteers to allow our pupils to take part in a variety of activities each week, both in school and out in the local community.

Could you spare an hour or two a week, or more? Perhaps you have an interest in cooking, arts or physical activity and could offer support to our pupils during these sessions in school?

We always need additional support with weekly activities such as swimming, horse riding and educational visits where our pupils go out into the community and learn important life skills, such as how to use public transport, how to order a drink in a café or take a book out of the library.

For our classes where there are numerous wheelchair users, we cannot take the pupils out if we don't have enough pushers! Our volunteers play a vital role in ensuring our pupils have equal opportunities to access such activities that their mainstream peers ordinarily would.

In most cases, school funds the cost of your DBS check and we offer you essential training in safeguarding and first aid. We can also provide references following your time with us as a volunteer, if required.

If you would like more information or to join our wonderful team of volunteers, please contact Susan Sherwin (HLTA and volunteer coordinator) at school on 01423 883214 or email <u>admin@springwater.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> for more information or a tour of school.

Yours sincerely

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