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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to Term 6, the final and potentially busiest term of the year with assessments, trips, transition visits, sports days and parent events all planned. We look forward to welcoming you into school in the coming weeks as we begin to celebrate the children's achievements and successes over the year, including their final reports.

One event that we always undertake at this point in the academic year is that of our annual Governor Day. Please see below an update from Emma Rains, Chair of Governors.

On 7th June we held our annual Governor's Day. It was a fantastic opportunity to spend time in school, speaking to staff and pupils about Spalding Parish as well as ensuring relevant training and information regarding the Governor role is up to date. During the day we attended Collective Worship, spoke to subject leaders about the curriculum development, saw different Phase areas of the school – EYFS, Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 - and spoke to pupils about different subjects and their work. The pupils were confident and enthusiastic about their work. There was a lovely atmosphere within school, and it was great to be a part of it. If you think you would be interested in the Governor role, please do contact the Office who will be able to provide you with the relevant information regarding applications. Thank you.

Finally, you may have seen that we have welcomed a new Crossing Patrol Warden last week for crossing the road at the front of school. We have worked hard to ensure this is in place for the safety of all so please ensure that you are utilising the support of the Crossing Warden even if it means walking a few more steps. **Diane Mulley HT**

Dates for the diary:

10th June: Year 4 Swimming
10th June: Year 5/6 Rounders SPCEDS 3.30pm
WB 10th June: Key Stage 1 Phonics Check
11th June: Last chance to book meals for WB 17th June
12th June: Year 6 World of Work visits am
12th June: September 2024 EYFS Evening 6pm
13th June: FS2KB Class Presentation
13th June: Y3SD/Y3TS trip to Nene Outdoors
13th June: Year 4 Taster Visits to Spalding High and Spalding Grammar School am
14th June: Y4LB Class Presentation 9am
17th June: Year 4 Swimming
18th June: Last chance to book meals for WB 24th June
18th June: Key Stage 1/EYFS Sports Day – Year 1 9.30-10.30, Year 2 10.45-11.45, Picnic Lunch 12.00-1.00, EYFS 1.45-2.45
20th June: Key Stage 2 Sports Day – Year 3 9.30-10.30, Year 4 10.45-11.45, Picnic Lunch 12.00-1.00, Year 5 1.10-2.00, Year 6 2.10-3.00
20th June: FS2EB Class Presentation 9am



Head Teacher Awards

Each week pupils in school are nominated for Head Teacher Awards celebrating their achievements be it academic success, sporting success, fantastic manners, role model behaviour or indeed anything else worthy of note. Well done to all award winners!

FS2: Adriana, Calvin (FS2)

Year 1: Honey (Y1JT), Esther (Y1PB)

Year 2: Victor (Y2AR), Oscar G (Y2CH), Willow (Y2DO)

Year 3: Seanna Blu, Amelia (Y3SD), Grace (Y3SH), Alfie (Y3TS)

Year 4: Dorcas (Y4KR), Maryann (Y4LB), Andrei (Y4SS)

Year 5: Luna (Y5MA), Mia (Y5MJ), William (Y5RW)

Year 6: Jack (Y6AS), Darasimi (Y6EW), Jamie (Y6KB)



Read all about it...

Each week our pupils are awarded house points as a reward, with a weekly winner from our 6 SPCEDS House Teams, **Spiritual Solvers, Positive Promoters, Challenging Challengers, Exciting Experts, Dynamic Dynamos and Supportive Supporters.**
Winners: Spiritual Solvers

Attendance Awards

Attendance and punctuality are attributes that are essential as children grow up and this is the time of their lives when they learn them. A number of weekly and termly incentives and awards are in place to reward pupils who attend regularly and who are punctual for school at the start of the school day.

FS2: FS2EB (87.9%)

KS1: Y2CH (95.0%)

LKS2: Y3SD (96.4%)

UKS2: Y5MJ (95.9%)

School: 91.1% - Let's keep trying to improve attendance!



Thank of the Week...

Please remember to share your thoughts and ideas with us!

If I paint over a window is it still a window?

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EYFS:

Over the past couple of weeks in EYFS we have been focussing on growth – it is certainly amazing to see how much we have all grown over the course of the year, not just physically but also developmentally. Our focus on growth started at the beginning of the term. We spent some time watching the caterpillars grow and change to butterflies which was an amazing sight. We then released our butterflies into the wild – it was a brilliant thing to see and for us all to share. Following this we moved onto plant growth. As part of our work on plant growth we have grown bean seeds and conducted an experiment where we have explored growing cress! We have also created plants in the DT area and can now use all the correct terms to describe the different parts of a plant, building on the work we have undertaken over the course of the term.

It has been a very exciting and busy term and we are all really enjoying our learning. We are also starting to think about transition and preparing ourselves for the next stages of our journeys as we continue our educational growth. We look forward in the coming weeks to learning about our next steps.

Year 2:

Year 2 have been very busy in Art continuing to create our dragon eye sculptures. We have used air drying clay and explored shaping the clay into different patterns to make them look fantastic. We achieved this by using different techniques including pressing, punching, twisting and smoothing. This week we have been busy painting them using our design brief that we created at the start of this project so we knew what colours we needed to use. When painting our dragon eyes, we explored the colours by mixing them together to make new colours as well as making them darker or lighter shades. We are super excited to be able to bring them home and share our creations with you!

In PE, we are fortunate to be receiving some coaching from Lincolnshire Cricket via an initiative called 'Chance to Shine' where we will begin to learn how to play cricket. To help us to learn the different aspects of the game we will be developing our skills in the different areas before hopefully progressing to an actual cricket game. In Geography, we are excited to continue our learning about India and looking forward to an Indian drumming workshop in the near future. We are hoping to be able to share this learning with parents/carers. Within this topic we will also be looking at the culture of India, including what they eat and what famous landmarks are there.

Year 4:

It has been another very busy week in Year 4. In Maths, we have begun to look at shape, space and measures and have been looking at different types of angles. We know that acute angles are smaller than 90 degrees or a right angle and an obtuse angle is more than 90 degrees or a right angle but less than 180 degrees.

In Science, we have continued our focus on States of Matter researching different melting points of a variety of solid materials. This included an investigation with chocolate buttons to discover if a chocolate button melts quicker on an open palm or in a closed palm. We decided that they melt faster in a closed palm due to the heat and pressure.

We are enjoying our weekly swimming lessons on a Monday, learning and improving our skills each week and gradually becoming more confident in the pool. We are excited for our sessions, developing our skills and also learning new ones. We also had our first lesson in DT this week, receiving our design brief of designing and creating a night light using our knowledge of electrical circuits that we gained from our Science learning in Term 4.

We are looking forward to the rest of the term and learning lots of new things! Watch this space to find out more.

Year 6:

Such a lot of fabulous learning happening lately including Year 6 participating in a Lyfta Live Lesson for Cultural Diversity Day. They enjoyed learning with schools across the country and sharing ideas from their discussions in the classroom over the Zoom meeting. We collated ideas, answered a range of questions and raised lots of ideas to think about. The main theme children explored was the importance of being respectful of other cultures and ways of life. They thought it was vital we learn how people across the world live to be able appreciate how everyday experiences can be different for children their own age. We were very excited that our voice could be shared and appreciated by all those taking part. Well done, Year 6!

What brilliant discussions we had as part of National Numeracy Day! Exploring building brighter futures through confidence with numbers. We dug deep to use one word which describes how we feel about maths, talked about our number stories and thought about how we use maths in our everyday lives. With the help of Mr Money Jar, we budgeted for a day and thought about saving too. *What do we need? What do we want? How can we achieve this?* In small groups we also planned and prepared for a maths rap and poetry slam. Who would have thought such great rhythm could have been achieved through the use of maths, English and even some beat boxing. To finish the challenge we let our imaginations run wild showing how we would use numbers in our dream job or hobby.