

The Spalding Parish Post

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Dear Parent/Carer,

A number of thank yous this week as we head into our final week of the term – it is difficult to believe we are two thirds of the way through the school year already. Firstly, a huge thank you to all of the parents/carers who took the time to attend Parent Consultations. It was fantastic to see so many of you and to be able to celebrate the progress the children have made so far. If you have not yet managed to make an appointment please get in touch with your child's class teacher and they will endeavour to fit you in this week. If you have not managed to get in for a meeting, reports will be sent home on Thursday. We would recommend you make the time if possible please. Our sincere apologies for where we have had to cancel or postpone these. We are hoping to undertake these the week beginning 5th May – further details will follow in due course.

As you may be aware we held our first environment day on Saturday 29th March, focussed on improving the school environment for the benefit of all. The sun shone, we had a fabulous day and achieved so much. Hopefully you will be able to see the fruit of all our labours when you head onto the school site. A huge Spalding shout out to all the families and staff that came to support on Saturday – your support was very much appreciated, indeed we couldn't have done it without you.

What a fabulous team and definitely a Proud to be Parish moment (2).

Diane Mulley (Interim EHT) and Emily Hill (Interim Head of School)

Dates for the diary:

31st Mar: Year 5 Swimming (this is the last session for Year 5 before we switch to Year 4 after the Faster break)

1st Apr: Year 6 visit to Easter Cracked at Spalding Baptist Church

3rd Apr: FS2Y1DO Class Presentation 2.40pm in the school hall

4th Apr: End of Term Church Service at St Mary and St Nicolas 10am – we look forward to seeing you there.

4th Apr: End of Term 4 – EYFS/KS1 3.10pm and KS2 3.20pm. Have a restful term break – Happy Easter from us all at SPCEDS



15th Apr: Last date to book meals for WB 23rd April – please remember to book! 23rd Apr: Start of Term 5 – KS2 8.45am and EYFS/KS1 8.50am

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CALENDAR



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: Luna, Alexander, Lilia

Year 1: Freya (Y1JT), William (Y1PB) Year 2: Denis (Y2AR), Rokas(Y2CH)

Year 3: Lukas (Y3SD), Kuba (Y3KR), Harry B, Harry J, Albert and Evie (Y3TS)

Year 4: Effie (Y4SH), Miruna (Y4SS), Aleks (Y4LB) Year 5: Evie (Y5MA), Vlad (Y5MJ), Ava (Y5RW) Year 6: Mihai (Y6AS), Luna (Y6EW), Roxy (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: Positive Promotors

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: FS2DO 96.76% KS1: Y2CH 99.31% LKS2: Y4SS 100.00% UKS2: Y5MA 96.88%

School: 95.19% - positive overall, let's get trying (3)



Thunk of the Week...

Please remember to share your thoughts and ideas with us!

Can you ever really know what it's like to be someone else?

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EYFS:

All of the children have been working really hard to continue to develop their phonics and reading skills. We have now moved onto the text Handa's Surprise which takes place in Africa. This contrasting climate allows us to explore and compare our work undertaken about the Polar regions. We really look forward to sharing all of our learning with you.

What a fabulous term we have had! Also, a massive thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Stay and Play session. The children really enjoyed sharing their learning with you and we look forward to welcoming you back to our next one during Term 5!

Please ensure you continue to support your child with their reading and their learning during the term break to keep the momentum. They have all made such very good progress that we would really like to continue to build on this. Thank you.

Year 2:

In Year 2 we have been practising chopping and peeling fruit and vegetables and designing a healthy snack pot. We prepared these ourselves and tasted lots of different foods and decided which we would put into our final product. We have also looked at where our food comes from, both in terms of plants and animals, and where in the world.

In English we are using our knowledge of plants from our Science lessons to write a non-chronological report. We have learned about the features of these and are now ready to write the finished article.

In Maths we enjoyed an outdoor lesson to begin our learning on position and direction. We were very surprised when we realised we were using our English knowledge in a Maths lesson – using prepositions to describe where things are.

We also joined a live lesson from National Rail about being safe around railways – ask us what we should be doing!

Year 4:

This week in Year 4 we have been continuing with our work on decimals in our Maths. We have been looking at different ways to partition decimals and represent decimals in different ways. We are still working hard at our times tables so please continue to support us with this at home.

In Geography, we have been looking at offshore windfarms and why they are important to our communities. We looked at why we may benefit from windfarms and why some people may be against windfarms. We are looking forward to seeing the Lincolnshire offshore windfarm on our trip to the seaside after half term.

We have been continuing our Islam learning and have been looking at the festival of Eid - ul - Adha which happens at the end of the period of Hajj and remembers the time when Ibrahim was asked to sacrifice his son, Ismail, for Allah and was stopped by Angel Jibril and given a ram instead. We have looked at comparing this time from the Qu'ran against the Bible which has a very similar story.

Year 6:

Year 6 have been very busy again this week. In Maths we have been learning about different angles and how to find missing angles in triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons. We have learnt that angles in a triangle add up to 180 degrees and angles in a quadrilateral add up to 360 degrees. We are now moving on to learning about circles.

English has seen us writing an opening or a short story about a door. We used the poem The Door (1962) by Miroslav Holub and an extract from The Snow Walker's Son as inspiration. In The Snow Walker's Son, they use the action of three, for example, he **turned** the key, **tugged** the lock and **pushed** the door, and our challenge was to include an action of three within our writing, something that we all managed to achieve.

In Science, we have been using our knowledge of materials, light and reflection to design a school coat that will keep us safe on dark, winter nights, explaining how and why it will work. We are looking forward to visiting Easter Cracked next week at the Baptist Church and would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter.