

The Spalding Parish Post

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WB 4th Nov. 2024 Term 2 Issue 7

Dear Parent/Carer,

This term our Parish Principles of 'Ready, Respectful, Safe' are very clearly in focus. From the Year Group reports it is very clear the children are all ready for learning and we look forward to sharing their successes with you later this term through our first termly reports. Next week marks the start of national Anti-Bullying Week (see separate letter for details). At Spalding Parish Church of England Day School we use this week as an opportunity to help our school shine a spotlight on bullying and encourage all children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying throughout the year. This year the theme of the week is 'Choose Respect' and as part of the planned learning children will learn all about dealing with situations respectfully. We know that the term 'respect' can mean different things to different people. When we talk about respect, we talk about showing that you value someone, including valuing their feelings, views, and opinions, even if they differ from yours. We also talk about accepting and understanding others and treating each other well.

This will also support pupils keeping themselves safe in a range of situations including face to face and online. A recent survey showed that effective supervision of a child's online activity reduced the risk of children being bullied online by up to 39%. Being able to keep up to date with the latest apps and trends in order to keep your children safe can feel like an overwhelming task. Lincolnshire's Stay Safe Partnership are holding parent workshops aimed at giving parents/carers the most up to date information and tools, so you feel confident that you can keep your children safe from online harm whilst still allowing

them to explore the online world. Sign up is required – see attached flier for details.

Diane Mulley HT

Dates for the diary:

4th Nov: Year 5 Swimming

5th Nov: Last chance to book meals for WB

11th November

7th Nov: EYFS September 2025 New Starters Open Morning 9.30am-11.00am - all with children due to start school next academic vear are welcome!

8th Nov: Y4SS Class Presentation 9am

11th Nov: Remembrance Day

11th Nov: Anti-Bullying Week (see separate letter)

11th Nov: Year 5 Swimming

12th Nov: Last chance to book meals for WB

18th November

12th Nov: Year 5/6 Girls Football Festival

12th Nov: Odd Socks Day (see separate letter)

14th Nov: Y2CH Class Presentation 9am

15th Nov: Children in Need and World

Diabetes Day (see separate letter)

15th Nov: Y2MJ Class Presentation 9am

18th Nov: Year 5 Swimming 19th Nov: Last chance to book meals for

WB 25th November

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19th Nov: Year 6 Christmas visit to Baptist Church



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

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Year 1: Brielle (Y1JT), Tallulah (Y1PB) Year 2: Rayne (Y2AR), Jennifer (Y2CH)

Year 3: Victor (Y3SD), Evie (Y3KR), Ava-Mai (Y3TS) Year 4: Christina (Y4SH), Matilda (Y4LB), Charlie (Y4SS) Year 5: Tianna (Y5MA), Krisia (Y5MJ), Murewa (Y5RW)

Year 6: Seth (Y6AS), Carly-May (Y6EW), Kaiden (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, **P**ositive Promoters, **C**hallenging Challengers, Exciting Experts, Dynamic Dynamos and Supportive Supporters. Winners: Challenging Challengers



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: FS2KB (96.9%) **KS1:** Y1PB (98.2%) LKS2: Y3KR (100.0%) **UKS2:** Y6KB (99.1%)

School: 94.8% - A positive rise this week, well done all (3)



Thunk of the Week...

Please remember to share your thoughts and ideas with us! Can you touch the wind?

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Parish Post Phase Update #proudtobeparish

EYFS:

Wow! What a fabulous start to Term 2. We have had an amazing first week back with so much learning already taking place. We are super proud of all of the children and how they have embraced their learning this term.

This week we have started to write sentences using word spaces, capital letters and full stops. We have also started to use our Monster Phonics cards to help us spell some of the common exception words.

As part of our learning this term we have focussed on our Knowledge and Understanding of the World including using our scientific knowledge to do an experiment where we tried to melt chocolate in the slow cooker! We discovered that a slow cooker does not melt chocolate but actually bakes it which is really not what we expected! As a result we have planned to explore the concept of melting further later in the academic year.

We also look forward to sharing our Christmas Presentation with you all later this term. Further details to follow soon.

Year 2:

Year 2 have had a busy start to Term 2. As with all the last term, the week seems to have flown by very quickly but all the children have settled straight back into school life. It is brilliant just how quickly they have developed in Year 2 – we are so proud of them all.

We have enjoyed starting our Geography work looking at what sort of buildings there are in Spalding. We will then go on to look at the map symbols for these. We will be going on a walk around town later in the term to make our own maps of the town.

In English we are using what we learned last term about William the Conqueror and why he built Lincoln Castle. We are now writing interviews with him which we will share with Miss Bird, the History lead in school. We are loving seeing all the pictures, audio clips and comments on Learning with Parents of our Year 2 children reading at home. Thank you for your support with this, keep them coming!

Year 4:

Wow, what a fantastic start to the term we have had - Year 4 have returned from half-term break really ready to learn! We are now all in Times Table groups for Multiplication Monday and are focusing on specific tables each week. Please help us at home, by listening to us chant a table and testing us on it. We can also practise at home, using Times Table Rock Stars and www.mrsthompson.co.uk.

We are now all able to access Mathletics and our teachers have set us tasks to do. It would really help us to consolidate our learning if we were able to practice at home. We are also able to use Learning with Parents for reading. Please help us at home, by recording our reading efforts on here!

In English we have written some moving Remembrance poems, using "In Flanders Fields" as our inspiration. We are now writing about the Anglo-Saxons, following on from History last term and our interesting trip to the Museum in Lincoln. We are all looking forward to the really busy term we have ahead of us!

Year 6:

What a great start to the new term Year 6 have had! We have enjoyed starting new curriculum areas with focuses this term on DT and Geography. In DT, we have thought about the question 'What is DT?', explaining skills needed like collaboration, creative and analytical thinking and resilience and then discussed careers and jobs that DT could lead us into. This led to fantastic discussions across the Year Group building on their prior learning and then looking at our focus innovator James Watt. This work also linked brilliantly to our World of Work. In English, we are looking forward to writing an essay based on the question 'What impact did WWI have on our local community?' We are building on our History learning last term and have had great debates about what we think the most significant impact might be. Is it legacy, land army, memorials, buildings, Spalding B Company or Remembrance? We are looking forward to writing using our plans and using all our knowledge. In Computing, we have started looking at Scratch and changing variables. We modified an existing game and changed what happened to each sprite when we clicked it. Then we explored making our own variable games and shared them with each other. Well done to all of Year 6 for their continued hard work this week.