



The Spalding Parish Post

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Term 5

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been another very busy week at Spalding Parish and it has been fantastic to hear about all the learning being undertaken across the school. With the current situation it has been harder to get into classrooms and experience first hand but the leadership team and I have been very creative in our approach, utilising MS Teams but also looking at work in books. Whilst this has been really successful, allowing us to experience the children's learning from a distance, I have still really missed being able to get into classrooms and being able to talk to the pupils, after all it is the pupils and the staff that make Spalding Parish the community that it is.

In response to this, over the last few weeks, I have been sharing stories with each class at the end of the school day. Stories shared so far include 'One Hundred Steps', a story about Captain Tom Moore, 'Starbird', about love, freedom and the wisdom of children and 'How the Stars came to be', a folktale telling why we have stars in the sky. It has been lovely to be able to spend some time in each class, albeit virtually, and I look forward to continuing this over coming weeks until I have visited all classes. Thank you all for accommodating me – please ask your child about the stories shared. **Diane Mulley, Head Teacher**

Dates for the diary:

26th May: Whole School Collective Worship via Teams led by the Clergy Team from St Mary and St Nicolas.

26th May: E-safety sessions with Year 6 pupils led by Local Authority Team.

26th May: Information sessions for Year 6 parents/carers. Further details to be confirmed – see letter Friday 21st May.

28th May: School closes for Term Break (End of Term 5). Reopen Monday 7th June for Term 6.

30th May: Book meals via WisePAY for week beginning Monday 7th June please.

For **WISEPAY** [click here](#)

7th Jun: School opens for start of term (Start of Term 6).

9th Jun: Whole School Collective Worship via Teams led by Leadership Team with Clergy Team.



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: Holly (FS2), Alfie (FS2), Layla (FS2)

Year 1: Milana (Y1CSE), Antonia (Y1HH), Iosif (Y1CR)

Year 2: Rhys (Y2AC), Sophia (Y2DN), Radoslav (Y2AR)

Year 3: Carla (Y3EP), Zayne (Y3NPRW)

Year 4: Lucas (Y4CH), Vidhya (Y4SH), Harry (Y4IN)

Year 5: Jacob (Y5CC), Harry (Y5AS), Samanta (Y5EW)

Year 6: Pasha (Y6KB), Aron (Y6KR)



Read all about it...

Each week 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. This week's winners with 628 points are:
Exciting Experts

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: FS2 (97.3%) – Over 1% increase on last week, well done!

KSI: Y2AR (100.0%) – 100% – well done Y2AR, super effort.

LKS2: Y4SH (98.3%) – A new winner in LKS2, well done Y4SH!

UKS2: Y5EW and Y6KR (99.3%) – Joint winners in UKS2!

School: 97.2% – Over 1% higher than last week – well done all!



Here to help...

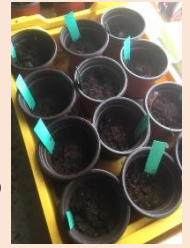
With the current guidance in place, we cannot run our usual open door policy. However SLT are available on the gate each morning and afternoon should you have any queries or you can ring or email the school office and request a call back.

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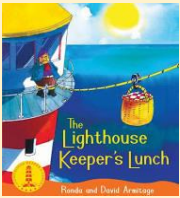
Foundation Stage:

This week we have all planted our own bean seeds and are busy looking after them. We have been writing short instructions about how to plant a seed and we all now know what seeds need to grow. We are very excited to see how tall they grow! When thinking about words for our instructions, we heard many known and unknown sounds and then tried to use our sound mats to help us write them down.



In Maths this week we have been representing numbers in different ways and have used tens frames, Numicon and bead strings to move our learning on. We have also been enjoying using number stories to help us.

Key Stage 1:



We have had the most amazing week in Key Stage One! It has been an absolute pleasure to visit different classrooms and see first hand the learning journeys of the children. It was also an opportunity to thank them all for all their hard work. Year One have recently started their learning all about Mr Crinling who has had to deal with some pesky seagulls in 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'.

In Year 2 we have also said goodbye to our fluffy little chicks who had already developed feathered wings and tail feathers! We are hoping that 'The Happy Chick Company' will send us some regular updates which we will be able to share with you all.

Lower Key Stage 2:

We have had such a lovely week in Year 4! We have continued our learning journey about the Mayans using the text 'From Bean to Bar' in English. This informative text has taught us all about how chocolate is made and we will be using the text and the structure a stimulus to help us write our own explanation texts.



In Maths, we are continuing to work hard on decimals and using our knowledge of fractions to consolidate our learning. In Science our topic is 'Disgusting Digestion', last week our experiment showed us the effect that different drinks have on our teeth. This week we will be undertaking another practical investigation where we will be using household items to show the process of digestion from start to finish!

Upper Key Stage 2

With one week left of this term, time is flying by! We've enjoyed taking advantage of the outdoors as the sun shines a little brighter and a little longer. Speaking of which, if you have any questions about the Sun, or any other celestial body in the Solar System, feel free to ask someone in Year 5. Next week, Year 5 will be looking back at the past 5-6 weeks and reflecting on all they've learned about space. As one keen astronomer said this past Monday, "We're actually in space! Right now!"

Elsewhere, we continue to use our voices to explore thoughts and analyse new information. With a real emphasis on oracy recently, we've encouraged children to put more of their thoughts into words, before transferring to paper. This has led to fantastic discussions and prompted questions and queries, both enlightening and confusing us! After all, 'True knowledge exists in knowing that you know nothing' (Socrates).