



# The Parish Post

**16th September 2022**

Welcome to the first edition for this academic year of the 'The Parish Post'.

The focus will be to share aspects of the children's learning journeys each week across the different Phases and Year Groups. This may be subject specific or across the curriculum. We will also celebrate 'proud moments' across school alongside sharing general updates with parents/carers - #proudtobeParish.

We are keen to receive any feedback regarding your thoughts and also with regards to the content you would like to see included each week. Please get in touch at [feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk](mailto:feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk).

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## Diary Dates



### **Term 1**

#### **WB 19th September**

##### **Monday 19th September**

Bank Holiday

##### **Tuesday 20th September**

Y6AS and Y4KR Parent Consultations

Deadline for lunches WB 26th September

##### **Wednesday 21st September**

Y6KB and Y4IN Parent Consultations

Whole School Collective Worship

##### **Thursday 22nd September**

Y6EW (am only) and Y4LS Parents Consultations

Year 2 Trip to Lincoln Castle

##### **Friday 23rd September**

Y6EW (am only) Parent Consultations

#### **WB 26th September**

##### **Monday 26th September**

Y5RW, Y2SD and Y1EW Parent Consultations

Whole School Collective Worship

##### **Tuesday 27th September**

Y5TS, Y3CC and Y1CH Parent Consultations

Deadline for lunches WB 3rd October

**Wednesday 28th September**

Y3EP, Y2AR and Y1PB Parent Consultations

Whole School Collective Worship

**Thursday 29th September**

Y3SH and Y2DO Parents Consultations

Flu Vaccines

**Friday 30th September**

Roald Dahl Day (see separate letter)

**WB 3rd October**

**Monday 3rd October**

Whole School Collective Worship

**Tuesday 4th October**

Year 1 Florence Nightingale Day

Deadline for lunches WB 10th October

**Wednesday 5th October**

Whole School Collective Worship

**Thursday 6th October**

National Poetry Day

**Friday 7th October**

**WB 10th October**

**Monday 10th October**

Whole School Collective Worship

**Tuesday 11th October**

Y3EP and Y3CC Trip to Flag Fen

Deadline for lunches WB 17th October

**Wednesday 12th October**

Monster Phonics Day (see separate letter)

Whole School Collective Worship

**Thursday 13th October**

**Friday 14th October**

Y3SH Trip to Flag Fen

**WB 17th October**

**Monday 17th October**

Individual Photos

Whole School Collective Worship

**Tuesday 18th October**

**Wednesday 19th October**

Whole School Collective Worship

**Thursday 20th October**

Year 4 Trip to The Collection Museum, Lincoln

**Friday 21st October**

End of Term 1 (School Reopens on Monday 31st October)

[Read all about it...](#)

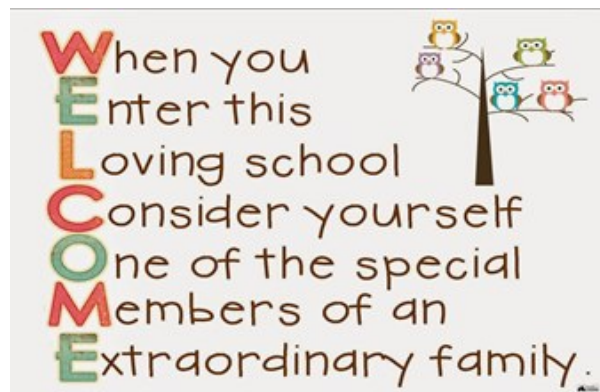


A huge welcome back to you all, both to families already part of the Spalding Parish family but also to the new children and families we have welcomed over the term so far. it has been brilliant to

meet you and to have you as part of the Spalding Parish family. I look forward to getting to know you all over the year ahead.

We have also welcomed a number of new members of staff to the Spalding Parish family. Charlotte Hardy joins us as our new Assistant Head and SENCo, Gemma Brown joins us as our new PE and Sports Apprentice and we welcome Rebecca Street, Manisha Mistry and Natalie Quigg as lunchtime supervisors.

We also welcome Jasmin Turner and Jennifer Woodiwiss who are completing their teacher training at Spalding Parish over the course of the 2022-23 academic year. They are working in Y1CH and Y3EP so any parents/carers of pupils in these classes may meet them over the year as we involve them in school activities, including Parent Consultations, as part of their training.



### **Crossing Patrol Warden/Parking**

As I am sure you will have noticed the vacancy for the Crossing Patrol Warden, following Sam Williams leaving, has not yet been filled. We are hoping that this will be filled in the very near future and I have been in touch with Lincolnshire County Council regarding the urgency of this, particularly given concerns raised about parking around the school site over the first two weeks of term.

Parking on the yellow lines, either straight or zig zag, is a traffic offence and traffic signs are obvious outside school reinforcing this. As such, should you park here you may be asked by staff to move on. This is nothing personal, merely the actions of a committed staff team trying to ensure the safety of all. Pupils and families cannot cross safely if cars are causing an obstruction.

Similarly the school car parks are only for use by school staff and by companies employed by Lincolnshire School Transport to drop pupils at school including local taxi companies. I do appreciate it may not seem a problem to park in the car park to drop your child, however this may mean a member of staff cannot get parked which could then impact on the start of the school day. Traffic in the car parks can also be free flowing at times meaning this is not a safe place for pupils to be dropped off.

Whilst I fully acknowledge that it is extremely busy at the beginning and the end of the school day around the school site, I would urge that you continue to be considerate to our school community, and to the local residents, and not park in inappropriate places, obstruct roads or in the staff car parks. Also, please do not park on the public footpaths as it makes it dangerous with the numbers of people using them. Please park legally allowing the safe use of the road and pavements for all.

Please, if necessary, park just a little bit further away and walk the last part of the journey as this will help to ensure that all members of our school community get to school safely. Thank you in anticipation of your support.



### **Responding to Concerns**

At the start of the school year our focus has very clearly been on getting all of our pupils and school community back to school and ready for the year ahead. I would like to thank you all for your support with this over the last couple of weeks.

It is always a little challenging settling into new routines on the return to school in September. As a parent myself I do appreciate how hard it is to manage bringing up children and running a home, without added complexities such as being a working parent, or caring for other family members. As such we do really appreciate your support in getting the children to school each day.

We also know that frustrations can run high at this time of the year both for adults and for children for a whole range of reasons. If you do have any worries, or if there is something you need to share as it may impact your child's day then please speak to your child's class teacher. Similarly members of the SLT are available on the site each morning and afternoon for parents/carers to speak to or emails can be sent to [feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk](mailto:feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk).

In line with our Adult Code of Conduct please remember it is not appropriate for parents to be using abusive language towards or repeatedly challenging another parent, pupils in school or members of staff. This will not be tolerated either within or outside of the school community, particularly given the fact that the primary aim of all staff at SPCEDS is caring for and ensuring the safety of your child. Such incidents will be taken extremely seriously and may, in some instances, lead to a ban from the school site. I'm sure you will agree that only by working together can we ensure a safe, positive and happy environment for all our pupils.

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## **Playground Equipment**

It has been fabulous to see families on the school site over the course of the last two weeks and also to chat to so many of you. I look forward to this continuing over the year ahead - as stated previously we are here to help.

With that in mind I also need to ask for your help and support at the beginning and end of the school day. You will be aware that we do have fixed play equipment on both the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds. This is for use by the appropriately aged children during the course of the school day when there is appropriate supervision in place. As such we ask that pupils or pre school children refrain from using at the beginning or end of the school day. This will allow us to ensure that the equipment is safe to use during the day and also ensure that the equipment is being used by the appropriately aged children. As I'm sure you'll appreciate inappropriate use can lead to accidents. Thank you in anticipation, we do appreciate your support in ensuring the safety of all. Staff will be monitoring this moving forwards and will be speaking to parents/carers where there are concerns.

Similarly the site is closed each afternoon between 3.25pm and 3.30pm so if you could please ensure you are leaving the school site promptly at the end of the school day. This is necessary due to our safeguarding procedures as the gates need to be locked before any of our after school clubs, including Parish Pioneers, can use the outdoor space. Again we thank you for your support with this matter.



## **School Lunches**

### **Hot Lunches**

As you will know the school kitchen falls under school governance. As a result, nutritious well balanced school meals are freshly cooked each day in our own kitchen. As part of this we have been closely working with the Lincolnshire Food in Schools team to ensure hot meals produced for the children are healthy and meet statutory guidance. As such children have a daily choice of:

- A hot meal
- A vegetarian option
- A jacket potato with filling
- A school-made packed lunch (KS2 – Years 3-6 only)



The meals provided by the school kitchen team are very popular and I know the ladies in the kitchen have been keenly developing this provision, providing meals that the children enjoy but that are also healthy and nutritionally sound. Given the Government initiative of Universal Infant Free School Meals, these meals are free to all pupils in Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2.

### **Packed Lunches**

You may choose to provide your child with a healthy packed lunch (an example of this is given below):

- Sandwich (can be replaced with another savoury item, for example a wrap)

Please note this should not be replaced with a sweet alternative

- Savoury snack such as crackers or crisps
- Fruit
- A sweet snack such as a cereal/biscuit bar

### **Nuts: VERY IMPORTANT: SPCEDS is a 'nut-free' zone**

Please note that we cannot allow nuts in school either as a snack, in snack bars or as peanut butter in sandwiches due to the risk of anaphylaxis. This also includes any food item where nuts may be present in chocolate spreads and fillings such as Nutella. Even the dust from peanuts can be fatal and it is imperative that parents/carers adhere to this very important regulation.



### **School Office**

For parents/carers information the office opening hours are as follows:

**Monday:** 8am to 4pm

**Tuesday:** 8am to 4pm

**Wednesday:** 8am to 4pm

**Thursday:** 8am to 4pm

**Friday:** 8am to 3.30pm

Whilst we do endeavour to keep the office manned during these times, there are times over the course of the school day when staff need to pop out of the office, e.g. to take late children to the classroom or collect children where there may be medical appointments.

Where this is the case, this is often only for a matter of minutes so we really do appreciate your support and patience if no one is available. On very rare occasions, the answer machine may be used so important messages are not missed. Again this is likely to only be for a short period so if you do need to speak to someone regarding your query and the answer machine is on, we would advise trying again. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.



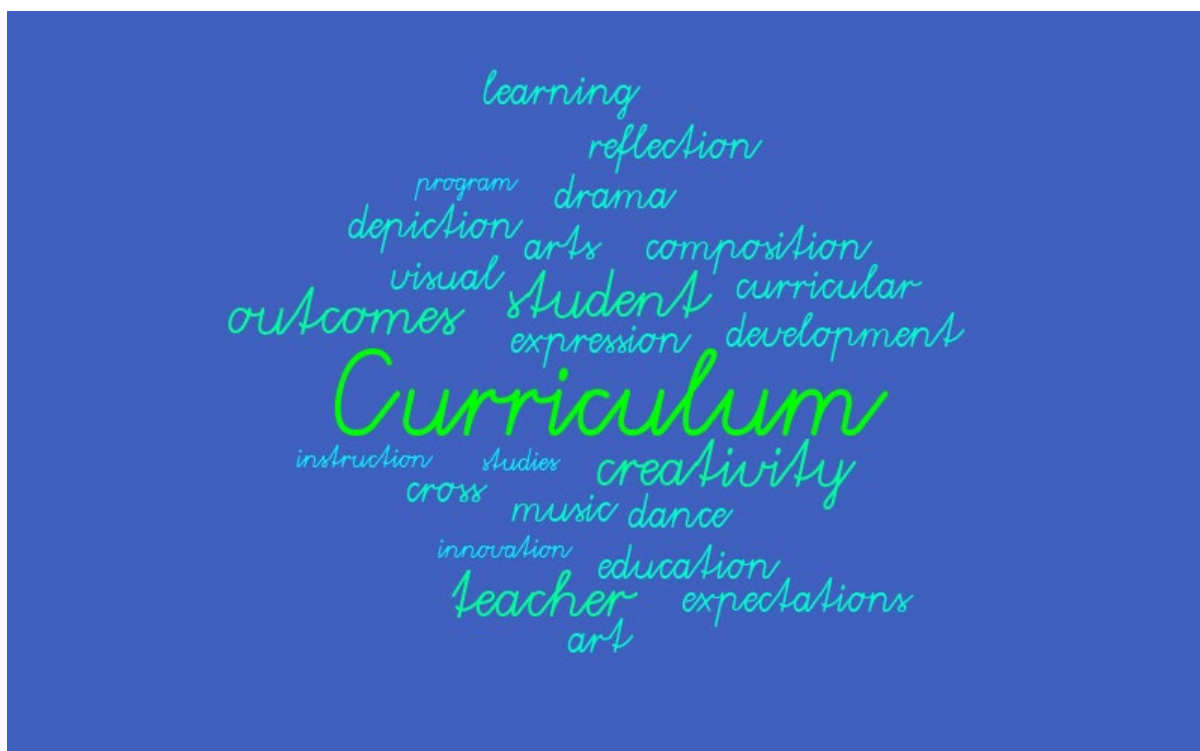
### **Website**

Over the course of the summer break we have also been busy updating the school website to reflect the staffing changes and also the changes to email addresses. The website is a really useful source of key information about school containing information about a whole range of aspects from what your child will be learning over the course of the academic year to all of the newsletters and information letters that are sent home. Key dates can also be found here.

We know that parents and carers are keen to keep themselves up to date with what is happening in school alongside what the children are learning so please do keep checking in with the website which can be found here:

[Spalding Parish C of E Day School - Home](#)

## Curriculum Corner



### Welcome Back

We have had a very busy start to the term at Spalding Parish, following the summer break. It sounds like the school community has made the most of the time away from school, enjoying the lovely weather and time with family and friends.

The staff were all very excited to be able to welcome the children back on 6th September and I must commend the children on their fantastic attitudes to learning following their return to school. I have been visiting classrooms regularly over the course of the last couple of weeks and have been absolutely amazed at just how well the pupils have settled back into the routine of school, faced with new classrooms and in most cases new adults. We look forward to this continuing over the year ahead.

### The Term Ahead

The learning for this term has begun in earnest and we look forward to the curriculum plans that lie ahead. Later this term our Year 2 pupils will visit Lincoln Castle to explore the question 'Why did William the Conqueror build Lincoln Castle?' as part of their History curriculum. Year 4 pupils will also be visiting Lincoln to visit The Collection Museum, also as part of the History curriculum and their work on Anglo-Saxons. As part of this they will consider how the Anglo-Saxon period shaped parts of Britain as we know it today. Year 1 pupils will also be taking part in a History workshop about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole and what they had in common whilst Year 3 pupils will be visiting Flag Fen to consider how Britain has changed since the Stone Age. Further visits/visitors are planned for all year groups over the course of the year and we look forward to sharing our curriculum news with the school and wider community.





## General Updates (for start of year)



### **COVID-19 Guidance**

Whilst we are hopefully looking forward to an uninterrupted school year, it is clear that COVID-19 remains with us. However, the current guidance remains very much the same as it was prior to the summer break. If you do have any questions around this please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**From 1st April 2022 the guidance around COVID and testing has been amended, as was previously outlined on the COVID road map and our transition into 'Living with COVID'.**

Covid is now specifically referenced in the guidance around the control of infectious diseases and there is no separate COVID guidance. Section 3 is related to management of infectious diseases, COVID being detailed within the section about Respiratory Infections. Section 4 of this guidance references actions to be taken should there be an 'outbreak'. For ease, the link to the document is below with the guidance being as follows.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/chapter-3-public-health-management-of-specific-infectious-diseases>

Essentially – COVID will be treated as we would any other infectious illness. Staff and children will be encouraged to stay at home if they are unwell. Where there is a positive COVID test, the timescales as below are advised:

- 5 days for staff and 3 days for pupils.

Further to the above, children/staff with a temperature, should not return to school/work whilst they still have a temperature, but can return with mild cold symptoms and if they are otherwise well enough to be at school/work.

### **Start and End of Day Routines - Reminder**

Thank you for your support in ensuring pupils are at school on time, it is very much appreciated and does ensure pupils are ready for the start of the day. There does seem to have been some confusion around timings for the beginning and end of day which are as follows:

**FS2: Start of Day 8.50am (doors open from 8.40am) End of Day 3.10pm**

**KS1 (Year 1 - 2): Start of Day 8.50am (doors open from 8.40am) End of Day 3.10pm**

**KS2 (Year 3 - 6): Start of Day 8.45am (doors open from 8.35am) End of Day 3.20pm**

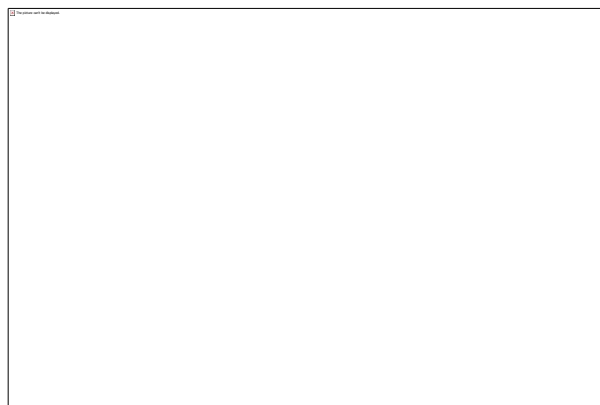
**In a morning the gates will open at 8.30am on a morning to allow time to get onto site ready for doors opening at 8.35am (KS2) and close at 8.55am.**

**Similarly, on an afternoon, the gates at the end of the day will open at 3.05pm ready for end of day at 3.10pm (KS1) and close at 3.30pm.**

These timings do need to be adhered to at the beginning and end of day to ensure our safeguarding requirements are met so we would appreciate your support with this. If you do have any concerns, please speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

When on the site please be courteous and stand away from the classroom windows and doors as pupils will still be learning until the end of the school day.

If we could also please ask that school equipment, including the gym equipment on the playgrounds, is not used at the beginning or end of the day. We appreciate that this is very tempting but use needs to be supervised by school adults so if you could please ensure your children do not use. This will ensure that pupils and families are able to stay safe.



## **Attendance - a further reminder**

As we continue the return towards normality, attendance continues to be closely monitored, particularly given current absences.

Please remember if your child is unwell and unable to attend school, you should inform school by 9.30am that day in line with our school procedures. Please contact school on each day of absence unless otherwise agreed.

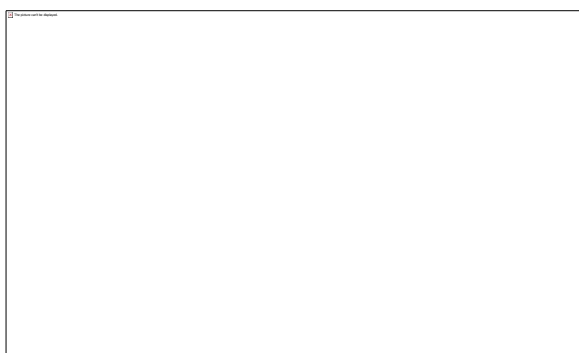
Also please remember that routine dental and medical appointments should not be made during school time. It is preferable and much more beneficial for pupils if appointments can be made either at the end of the school day or during school holidays. If you do have to make an appointment for during the school day, and we do appreciate that there are times when this may be necessary, please bring the appointment letter to the school office. Without this letter the absence will not be authorised.

We are also seeing an increase in leave of absence requests. Current Government regulations mean that absence from school can only be authorised for “exceptional circumstances” for which there is very clear established criteria, again set by the Government. It is therefore highly unlikely that time off school will be authorised during term time.

**Requests for term time absence, for any reason, must be made at least 10 days before the absence, except in emergencies, by booking an appointment with a member of the Senior Leadership Team.**

Should an appointment not be made, and in line with our safeguarding procedures and Government regulations, we will contact you with regards to your child’s absence in order to clarify fully the reasons for absence.

Your child’s education is our primary focus and given the extensive research proving a direct link between good attendance and good outcomes, alongside the national attendance guidance for schools, we do follow all absences up. This is not about singling anybody out but simply carrying out our statutory duty as a school and as such I would ask for your support in communicating with us in a positive way. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.



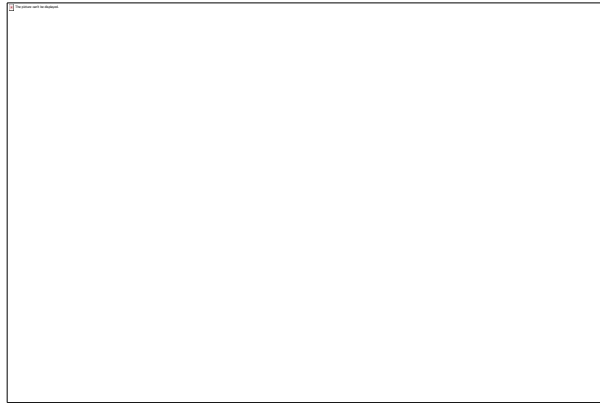
## **Safeguarding**

Safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults so we will keep this reminder in each edition of the Parish Post. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us.

If you have concerns about the safety of any child, please let somebody know.



Diane Mulley and Emily Hill are the designated safeguarding officers within the school. Similarly if you do require any support, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



### **A Plea to Parents/Carers...**

SPCEDS is a large and busy school community and we know that parents and carers will sometimes have questions about school and school life. As you will hopefully know, we are keen to support parents/carers with any questions, worries or concerns.

We also know that many of you do follow the Parish Parents page on Facebook and use this as a source of information - for many it is invaluable. Whilst the page has no direct link to school we understand that parents and carers are always very supportive of each other through this page answering questions and sharing information. As such I just wanted to remind parents and carers that if you do have any questions, you can always contact the school with the [feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk](mailto:feedback@spaldingparish.laat.co.uk) email regularly monitored.

Similarly if you do need to speak to a member of the staff team, please contact the school office and one of us will be in touch to answer your queries.

### **School Uniform**

As we head into the cooler months, a reminder for parents/carers of expectations regarding school uniform. We are all very proud of our school uniform and as such, we would ask for the support of parents/carers in ensuring correct uniform is worn. **This includes footwear and school shoes should be worn on all days other than PE days. Please be aware that open toed shoes or sandals are not appropriate for school.**

### **Boys and Girls**

Purple Sweatshirt or Cardigan

Purple or White Polo Shirt

Grey Trousers, Dress or Skirt

Purple, Red or Yellow Gingham Summer Dress

Plain Grey, Black or White Socks or Tights

Flat Black Shoes - No trainers or heels

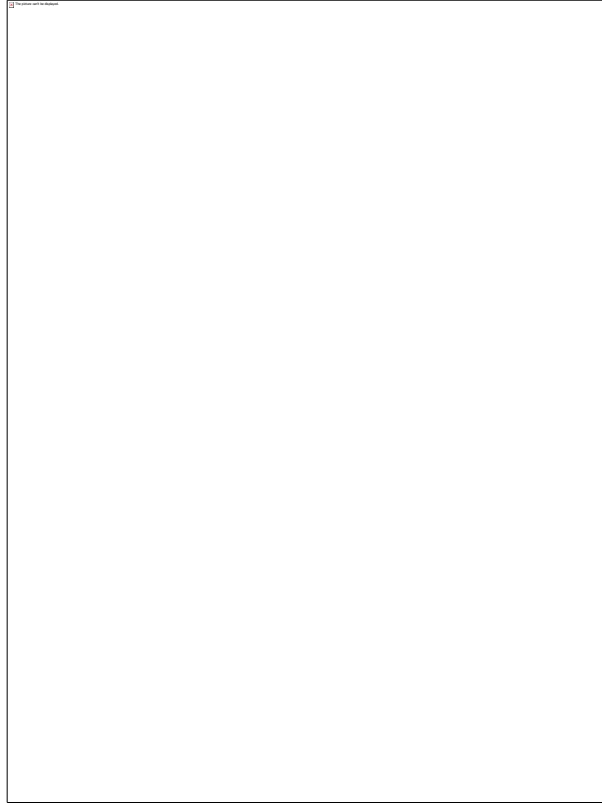
No nail varnish

Jewellery – only stud earrings or small objects of religious significance (these must be removed on PE days).

All items to be clearly named.

It is a fantastic sight to see the children so smart in their uniforms. As part of this we also encourage the children to wear their uniforms with pride with t-shirts tucked in and jumpers either worn properly (and not tied round the waist) and again thank you for your support with this.





#### **PE KIT**

Navy Blue/ Black Shorts

Purple T-Shirt

Tracksuit

Plimsolls or Trainers

#### ***No earrings or jewellery to be worn on PE days***

Please support children to be independent when getting changed. Ensure they can recognise their name and items of clothing.

For the time being pupils are still asked to wear PE kit on their PE days (see below for details). We have maintained this to maximise learning time in this area. However, PE kit worn on these days should be in line with our PE kit expectations. Should this not be the case a member of staff will speak to you with regards to this.

**We have recently had a number of queries re support with uniform and do have quite a large range of second hand uniform that is in really good condition. We are more than happy to support where we can so please get in touch via the school office if this is something that would help. If you could please let us know sizes required and we can then have a look.**

Finally, we would please ask that all parents/carers ensure pupils are wearing appropriate uniform colours and not anything other than those stated above. Please also ensure no logoed items as these are not in line with our uniform expectations and so should not be worn.

**PE Days**

**EYFS:** Indoor PE Wednesday

**Year 1:** Indoor PE Wednesday, Outdoor PE Thursday

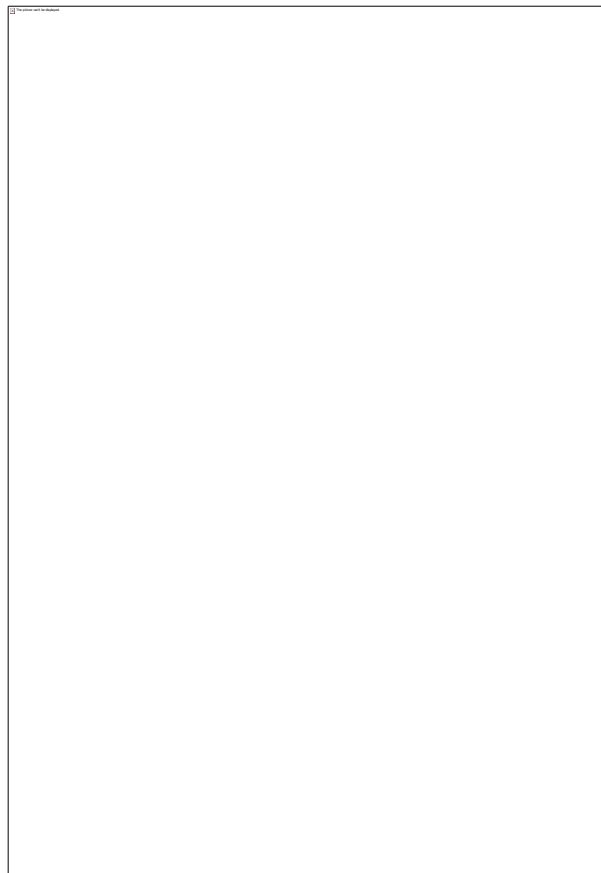
**Year 2:** Outdoor PE Monday, Indoor PE Friday

**Year 3:** Outdoor PE Monday, Indoor PE Tuesday

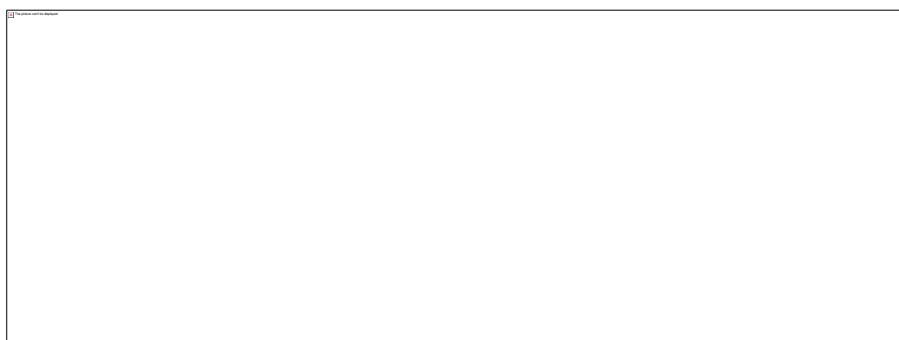
**Year 4:** Outdoor PE Tuesday, Indoor PE Thursday

**Year 5:** Swimming Monday, Outdoor PE Wednesday

**Year 6:** Outdoor PE Wednesday, Indoor PE Friday



**Academy Committee Update (previously Local Council)**



## Local Council

Our next article from our Academy Committee is from Emma Rains, in her role as Chair of the Academy Committee.

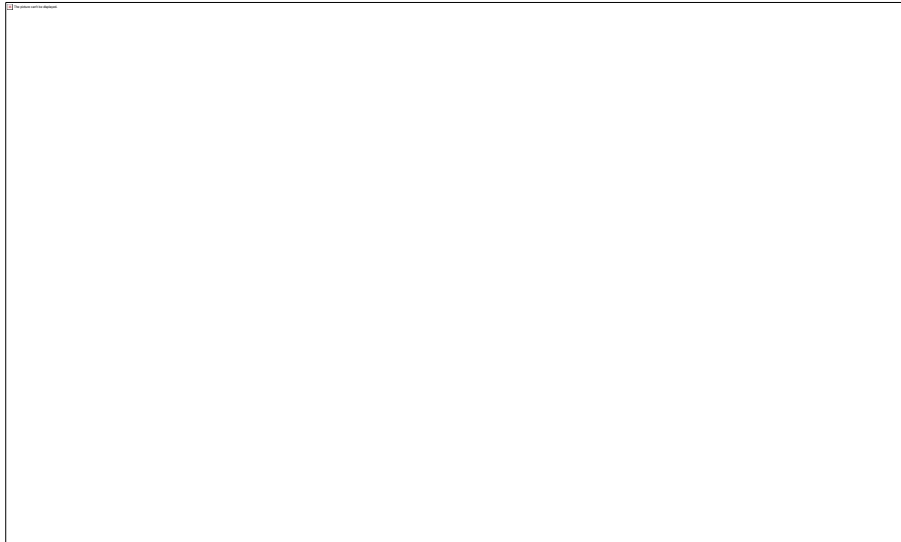
Hello all and welcome back for the start of a new school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer. For those who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge, I hope you enjoyed it and found lots of new stories to read and share. There will be lots of exciting school events across the academic year.

However one coming up soon, linked to a love of reading and sharing stories, is Roald Dahl Day on 30th September. Particular favourites in our house are The Twits and Fantastic Mr Fox. We have visited the Roald Dahl Museum and it was brilliant to see places that had inspired these stories.

I am sure that the children will have lots of inspiration through school activities to include in their writing this year and will also continue to develop their own love of reading and story writing.



## Online Safety Update



A regular addition to our weekly Parish Post is the Online Safety Update. Each week we will post some tips and suggestions just to support keeping children safe online. For this we will also share key tips from National Online Safety and their Wake Up Wednesday materials. If you do want any further details with regards to this or would like any further support please speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

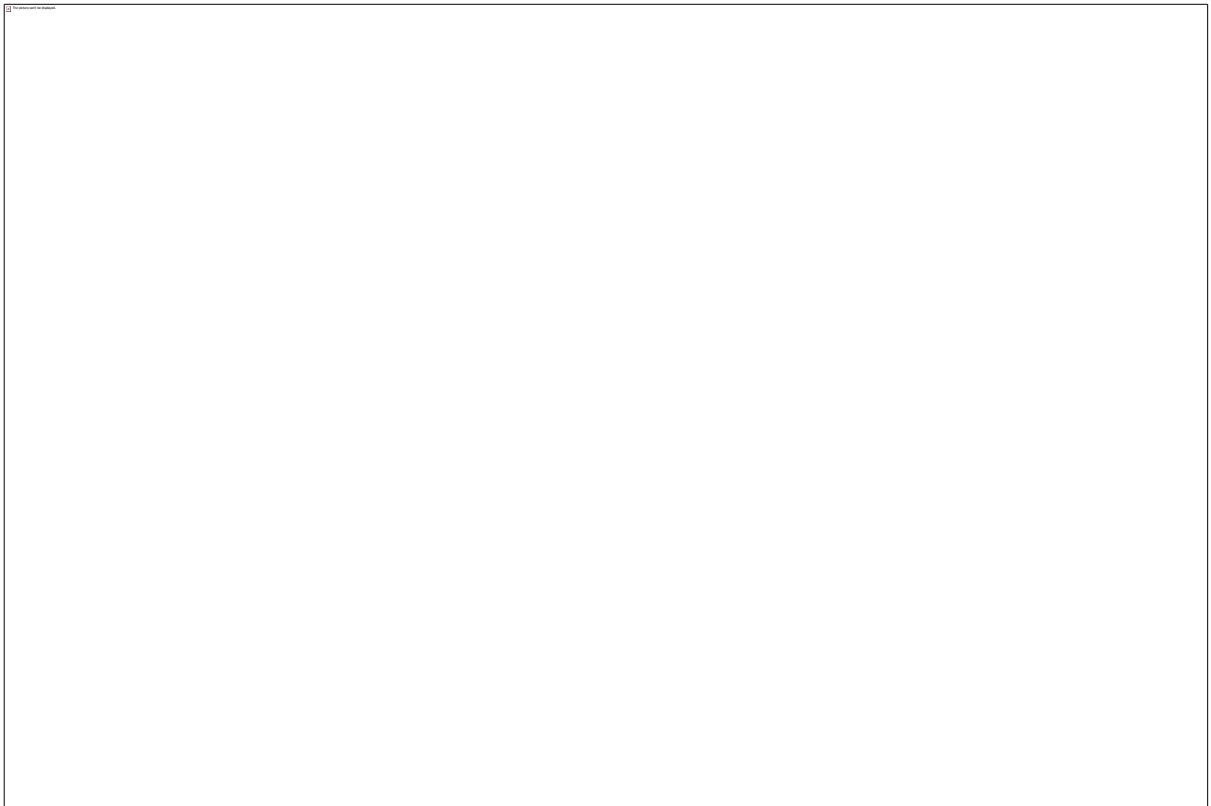
### **Grief**

How do you deal with grief? Our #WakeUpWednesday guide with The National College has tips to support children with the events of the last 10 days. We also celebrate the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with a commemorative timeline.

[https://nationalonlinesafety.com/training/search?search=Queen+Elizabeth+II&sort=new&cat=&utm\\_source=twitter&utm\\_campaign=nos-grief-guides](https://nationalonlinesafety.com/training/search?search=Queen+Elizabeth+II&sort=new&cat=&utm_source=twitter&utm_campaign=nos-grief-guides)



## Community Corner

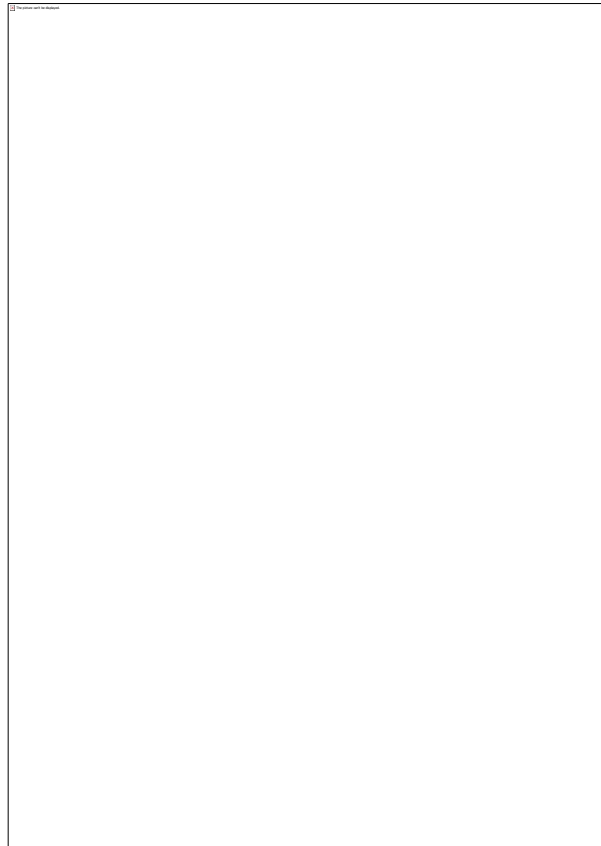





Through the Community Corner, we will aim to share different activities/events happening within the local community that may be of interest to pupils and families of Spalding Parish.

This week it is the turn of the St Mary and St Nicolas Church Choir. We did share this prior to the holidays but boys and girls aged 7 and over are now both welcome so thought we would share again.

[Parish Church Choir Leaflet September 2022](#)

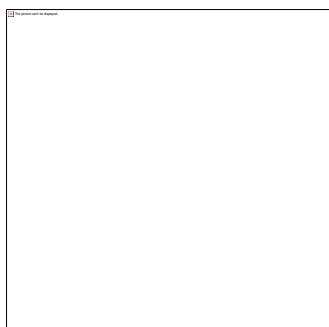


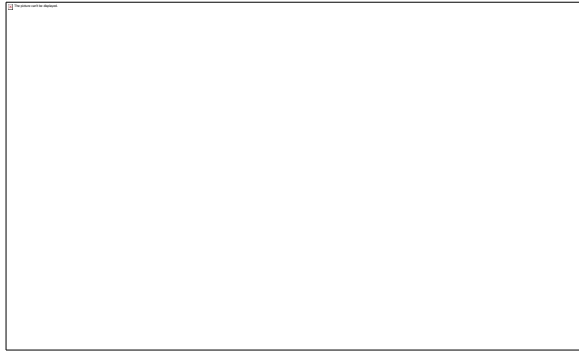
## Weekly Awards

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### **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. We look forward to celebrating all of our award winners over the course of the academic year.

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## **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.

Our weekly attendance awards celebrate the class with the highest attendance in each Phase.

**FS2:** FS2AC (100.0%) - FS2AC are our best attender in FS2 and the whole school this week, with an unbeatable 100%, amazing!

**KS1:** Y1EWSE (98.6%) – Y1EWSE are the winners in KS1 this week, great work!

**LKS2:** Y4KR (100.0%) – Highest in LKS2 for Y4KR and also highest in school with another unbeatable 100%, fantastic!

**UKS2:** Y5RW (100.0%) – Y5RW are the winners in UKS2 this week and also in school with another unbeatable 100.0%, fantastic!

**School:** 96.9% - A really positive start to the academic year with us virtually at the Government target for attendance. Let's keep working hard to ensure we are all in school and moving towards the Government target of 97.0%.

## **House Points**

Each week pupils are awarded house points as a reward, with a weekly winner from our 6 SPCEDS House Teams:

**Spiritual Solvers**

**Positive Promoters**

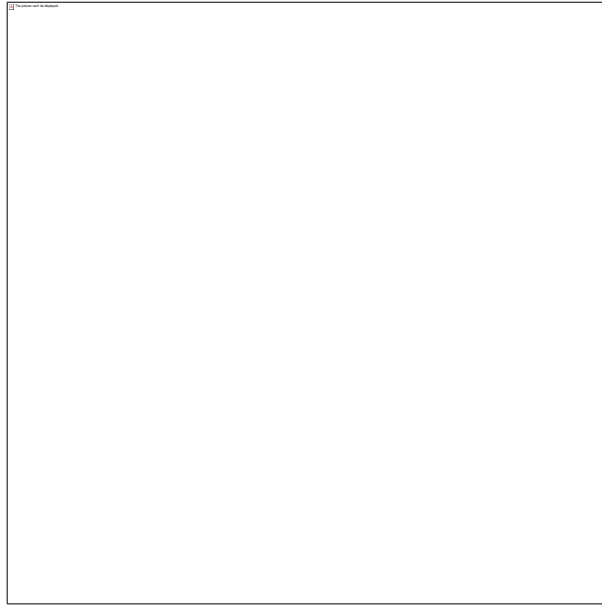
**Challenging Challengers**

**Exciting Experts**

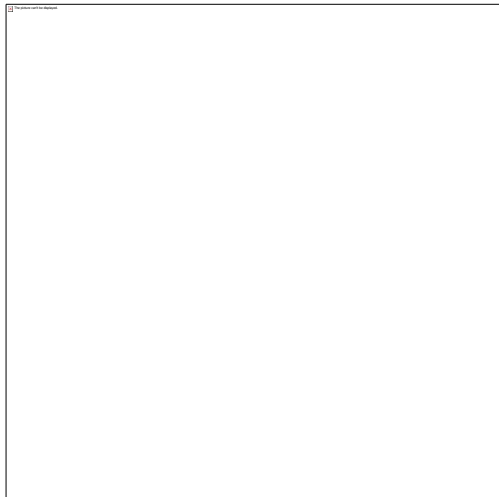
**Dynamic Dynamos**

**Supportive Supporters.**

We look forward to sharing each weeks winners with you over the term.



## Phase Learning Journeys



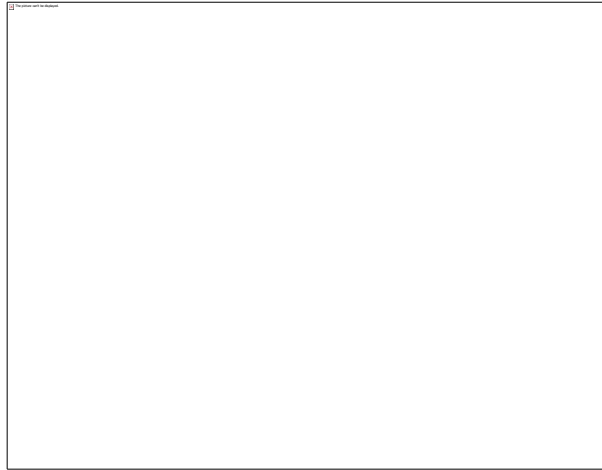
### **Key Stage 1**

We're starting in Year 2 this year to hear all about their learning over the last fortnight.

### **Year 2**

We have been very impressed with how the children have settled into Year 2 and are really looking forward to working with them this academic year.

In History we have been looking at The Battle of Hastings and why castles were built, and in English we are working on a piece of poetry to describe our own dragon. We are really looking forward to our trip to Lincoln Castle next week, where we will meet Lucy the Dragon to help inspire us with our work.



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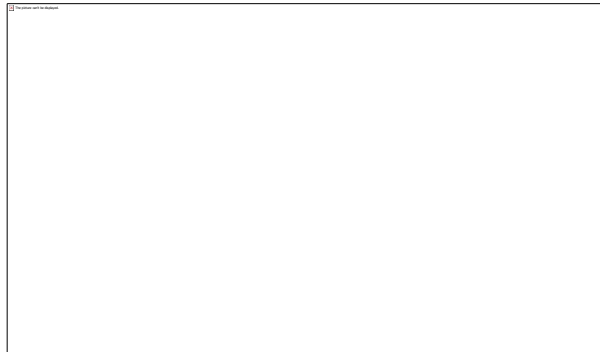
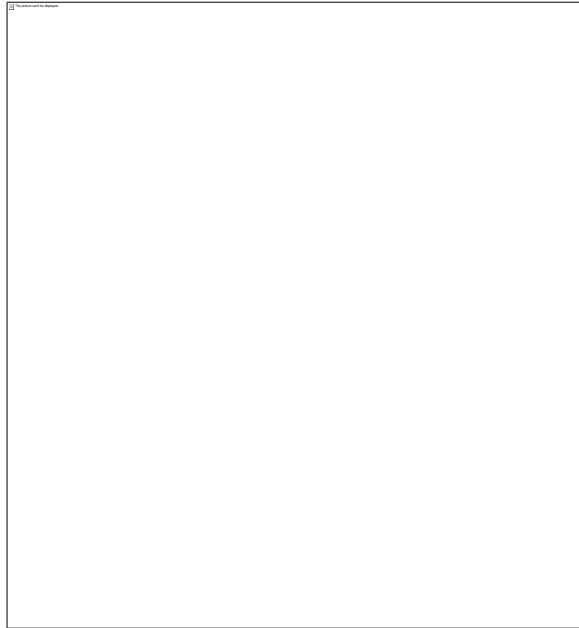
We're starting with Year 4 in focus this week.

### **Year 4**

Year 4 have had a fantastic start to the academic year and have all settled in really well. The children have all been impressing the Year 4 adults with their place value knowledge. They have also been working hard on recalling their three times tables.

As part of our History learning the children are learning about what life was like in Britain during the Anglo Saxon times. As part of this we have started identifying difference and similarities between the kingdoms in Anglo Saxon times compared to how the country is divided today. This also links to our class story 'Anglo Saxon Boy'.

In Science the pupils have started to learn about the digestive system and the journey food takes through their bodies. We are looking forward to a fun Science experiment next week so watch this space! What a busy but exciting start to Year 4!

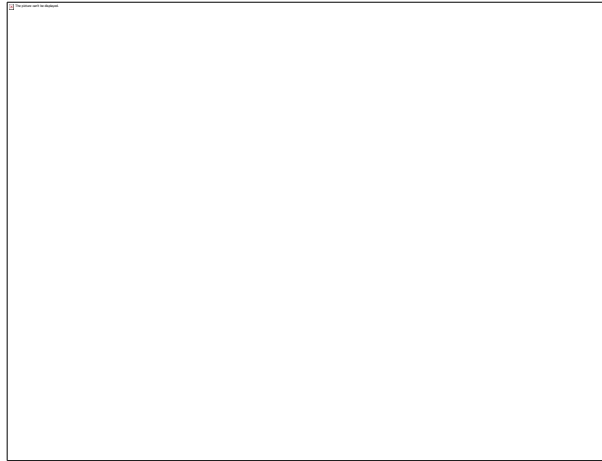


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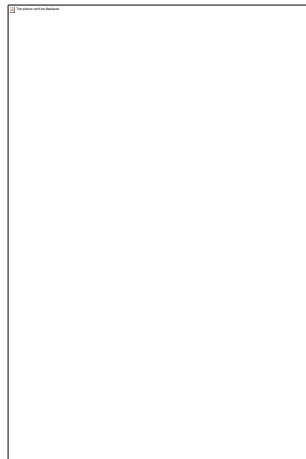
Year 6's learning is the focus of the Parish Post this week.

### **Year 6**

What a start to Year 6 we have had! The team are so proud of the children as they are taking the new challenges of Year 6 in their stride and impressing us with their attitude to learning. We are proving to be expert mathematicians especially with place value and numbers to 10,000,000. Top tips are helping us to dig deeper with our understanding and explaining to others. 'I do', 'We do' and 'You do' have enabled some great anchor charts to be developed on the Learning Walls, which can then be used as scaffolds and prompts in our independent learning.



As Historians, we have been investigating sources from WW1 Tommy Soldiers to identify them. We couldn't believe the number of child soldiers that fought in WW1 with the youngest being 12 years old. Vocabulary has been key and we have been thinking about the sacrifices made during this time. We look forward to meeting local historian and expert Alastair Goodwin when he talks about local men from Spalding, who fought for our community. Our class story 'Over the Line' by Tom Palmer has given us an important insight into the Football Battalion, which we will be focusing on in our English.

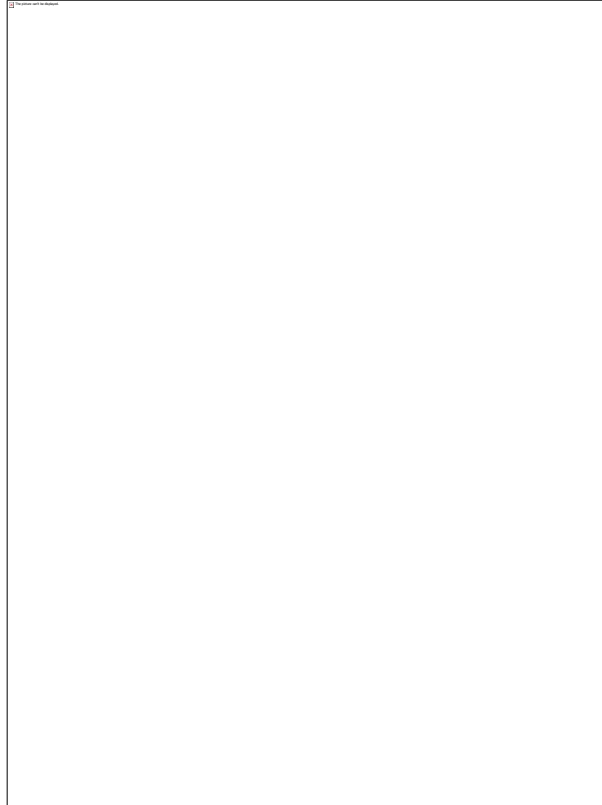


As responsible citizens in our community, we have been thinking about friendship and keeping safe. Using our Oracy skills we have agreed or disagreed on statements from 'I love custard' to 'Footballers get paid too much'. Brilliant opinions and ideas have been built upon for the most interesting debates.

We have also taken time to reflect and talk about the current events linked to our previous learning on Queen Elizabeth II. One of our favourite moments was the Queen with Paddington for her Platinum Jubilee:

  [Ma'amalade sandwich Your Majesty? - YouTube](#)





## And Finally...

Please remember if you do have any queries or concerns to come and speak to one of us, either the class teacher on the door or a member of the SLT on the playground each morning and afternoon.

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