



# The Spalding Parish Post

#proudtobeparish

October  
16<sup>th</sup>  
2023  
Term 1  
Issue 5

## Dear Parent/Carer,

Can you believe that Term 1 is already over? Term 1 is always such a busy term as pupils settle into new classes, get used to new routines whilst also building relationships with Year Group adults. We all know how key relationships are to pupils thriving and flourishing. A huge thank you must go to all the pupils for how they have adapted to their new Year Groups – it is fantastic to see new relationships developing as adults get to know the children and their interests and also positive to see links to this developing in the classroom. We also recognise how important parents/carers are to this process and would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for bringing your children to school each day, for sharing key information and for allowing us to be part of your children’s lives, as part of the Spalding Parish family.

As we reach the end of term, we do say goodbye to a couple of valued members of the Spalding Parish family. Anthony Horton and Jody Sayer are both leaving us at the end of term as they look to embark on new career paths. Anthony has worked in school for 11 years whilst Jody has been with us for just over 2 years. Both will be missed in school but we will miss them both well in their future endeavours! Good Bye, Good Luck and God Bless – please remember you will always be part of the SPCEDS family. **Diane Mulley, Head Teacher**

## Dates for the diary:

- 16<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5 Swimming
- 18<sup>th</sup> October: Year 3 Visit to Church
- 19<sup>th</sup> October: Y2DO Class Presentation 9am
- 20<sup>th</sup> October: End of Term Worship 10am
- 20<sup>th</sup> October: End of Term 1 – School Closes 3.10pm EYFS/KS1, 3.20pm KS2
- 24<sup>th</sup> October: Last chance to book meals for WB 31<sup>st</sup> October
- 30<sup>th</sup> October: School Training Day
- 31<sup>st</sup> October: Start of Term 2 – School Opens 8.35am KS2, 8.40am FS2/KS1
- 31<sup>st</sup> October: Last chance to book meals for WB 6<sup>th</sup> November
- 31<sup>st</sup> October: Secondary School applications close
- 1<sup>st</sup> November: Individual Photos (see separate letter for details)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Y5RW Class Presentation 9am
- 6<sup>th</sup> November: Year 5 Swimming
- 7<sup>th</sup> November: Last chance to book meals for WB 13<sup>th</sup> November
- 7<sup>th</sup> November: Year 5/6 Girls Football Festival



## 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:** Rodijs, Calvin (FS2)
- Year 1:** Joshua (Y1JT), Jennifer (Y1PB)
- Year 2:** Monika (Y2AR), Urte (Y2CH), Ethan (Y2DO)
- Year 3:** Oliver (Y3SD), Liam (Y3SH), Naomi (Y3TS)
- Year 4:** Rhys (Y4KR), Karolina (Y4LB), Harmony Rose (Y4SS)
- Year 5:** Gaby (Y5IG), Florence (Y5MJ), Dylan (Y5RW)
- Year 6:** Dylan (Y6AS), Liliana (Y6EW), Valerij (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:**

## 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:** FS2KB (93.7%)
- KS1:** Y2CH (99.3%)
- LKS2:** Y4SS (98.6%)
- UKS2:** Y5RW (98.9%)
- School:** 95.8%, a slight decline again this week!



## Here to help...

Please remember 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 or a face to face meeting.

# Parish Post Phase Update #proudtobeparish

## Term 1 Sports Update:

Term 1 has been a very busy, sporting term for SPCEDS. Sports clubs have been a huge success so far with many children developing and enjoying being active and having fun with their friends. A huge well done to all who have taken part in clubs and represented school.

In football, the Year 3 and 4 boys attended a School Games festival, finishing in a very respectable third place and also the Player of the Tournament award for Taylon in Year 4. The Year 5 and 6 boys football team began their campaign in the Elite Sport Academy League and have played 2 home fixtures at home. The boys have shown great skill and teamwork and the results are beginning to reflect how well they are gelling together and we are certainly looking forward to our remaining fixtures over the coming weeks.

The hockey club continue to work hard and have kickstarted the Spalding Junior League in style. Winning two games at 4 – 0 and only conceding 1 goal in the third match means we are currently sitting in second place in the league. The Junior Hockey League is run and supported by Spalding Hockey Club who hold junior sessions on a Saturday for children aged 8 to 13. We are hoping our winning streak continues when we attend the second competition in November. Our Year 3 and 4 archers have also achieved, winning their first fixture against Gosberton Academy. Scoring 62 points to their 56 means that we have been awarded 3 points and currently sit 2<sup>nd</sup> in the league.

## Year 1:

This week in Year 1 we have been continuing our learning journey! In Phonics we have learnt all about the split digraphs, and then we used our new knowledge to create our own Monster Phonics flashcards. During our independent learning time we also sorted the split digraph flash cards into the individual sound groups.

In Maths we have looked at number lines exploring the number lines we have around the class room and looked at the order of the numbers. We then we made our own number lines using our own ideas. We furthered our learning, representing the numbers with different resources.

Many of the children have been excited about their learning of Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale and have used their imaginations to re-enact the making of herbal remedies just like Mary Seacole! Would you like to try our remedy for headaches?



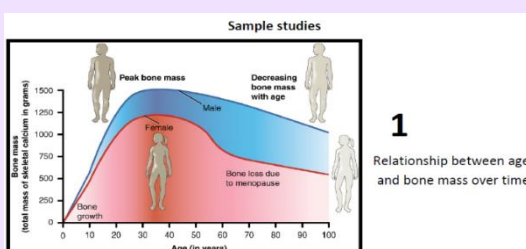
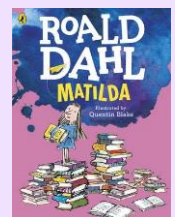
## Year 3:

It has been an exciting few weeks in Year 3. We have been keeping ourselves busy in Maths brushing up our addition and subtraction skills, using concrete resources such as number lines, charts, base 10 and counters to support our learning and strengthen our understanding. In English we have been given the exciting task of creating a baddie for Year 6 to use in their own writing. This has led to us reading and analysing parts of Andy Stanton's Mr Gum and using as many horrible and shocking adjectives we can think of to boost our writing and make our baddie sound absolutely terrible! We also had a visit to the Spalding Library this week. We received a very warm welcome from the team and were told all about upcoming events at the library. Everyone left with a greater knowledge of how to use the library and for some, a new interest in books.

History and Science have also kept us on our toes, learning all about the human body, particularly skeletons, muscles and healthy diets. We even conducted a school wide experiment that required us to measure the other children in the school ranging from Year 1 up to Year 6. Our focus in History has shifted towards the Bronze Age now and we have learned about society and community as well as the importance of bronze and the importance of a bronze sword. Did you know bronze swords were treated with such high regard and spirituality that once the owner had died their sword was also "killed" by bending it and stashing it in a sacred marshland. Overall, it has been a wonderful few weeks here in Year 3 and we are just as excited to start our final week this term as we were in the first week back.

## Year 5:

Year 5 have enjoyed looking at the work of Roald Dahl in English this week. We looked at the characters in Matilda, read extracts from the book and wrote our own character descriptions. We used features such as parenthesis, expanded noun phrases and semi-colons in our writing!



This term in Science we have been looking at how humans change as they grow older. Last week we explored the six stages of the human life cycle and analysed data that represented this. We then drew our own line graphs to present data on bone mass.