



# The Spalding Parish Post

#proudtobeparish

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9<sup>th</sup>  
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## Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will know we often talk about our relationship with parents/carers and how important this is to ensure all children reach their potential. We very much see the relationship between parents/carers and school as a partnership, where we work together for the benefit of your child. We know that there may be times when you do have worries and concerns and would encourage you at these points to speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance, speak to a member of SLT on the playground or pop into the office to book an appointment. This will hopefully allow for any worries or concerns to be quickly resolved.

We also know that parents/carers often speak to us about how best to support their child and the work they do in school. Over the course of the academic year we do intend to offer a number of opportunities for parents/carers to be in school to see school in practice and will also be offering some parent workshops over the year that we also feel may be beneficial. The flier to these events can be found here - [Parish Parent's' Workshops](#). If you are interested in signing up, please do so via the School Office – we look forward to seeing a number of you there. **Diane Mulley, Head Teacher**

## Dates for the diary:

- 9<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5 Swimming
- 9<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5/6 Football Match SPCEDS 3.30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> October: Last chance to book meals for WB 16<sup>th</sup> October
- 10<sup>th</sup> October: World Mental Health Day
- 10<sup>th</sup> October: Year 3/4 Boys Football Festival
- 11<sup>th</sup> October: Year 3 Visit to Spalding Library
- 12<sup>th</sup> October: FS2 September 2024 Open Morning 9.30-11.00am
- 12<sup>th</sup> October: Y2AR Class Presentation 9am
- 13<sup>th</sup> October: Y4LS Class Presentation 9am
- 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 Act of 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

PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!



## 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: Daniel, Freya, Emily (FS2)
- Year 1: Kevin (Y1JT), Rowan (Y1PB)
- Year 2: Victor (Y2AR), Harry (Y2CH), Archie (Y2DO)
- Year 3: Oliver (Y3SD), George (Y3SH), Matilda (Y3TS)
- Year 4: Rhys (Y4KR), Tyler (Y4LB), Liliana (Y4SS)
- Year 5: Ben (Y5IG), Jokubas (Y5MJ), Dylan (Y5RW)
- Year 6: Petal (Y6AS), Josh (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:** Supportive Supporters

## 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 (97.0%)
- KS1: Y2DO (99.0%)
- LKS2: Y4LB (99.3%)
- UKS2: Y5IG (99.6%)
- School: 96.00%, back up to 96%, well done all!



## Here to help...

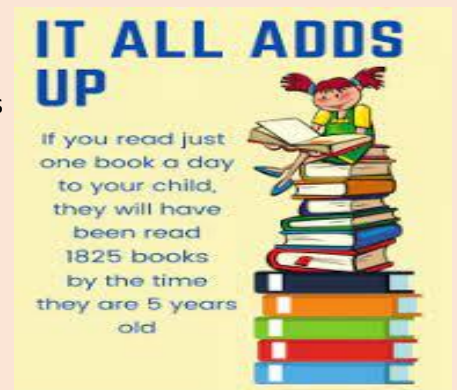
Please remember SLT are available on the gate each morning and afternoon should you have any queries or you can ring or email the school office and request a call back or a face to face meeting.

# Parish Post Phase Update #proudtobeparish

## FS2:

This week we have been continuing to learn new sounds and blend these together to read. The children have amazed us with their progress and it is fabulous to see how many are reading at home every day.

We have also been continuing to extend our understanding of numbers, shapes and patterns. There have been so many achievements for all the children in these past couple of weeks and we are so proud of them all.

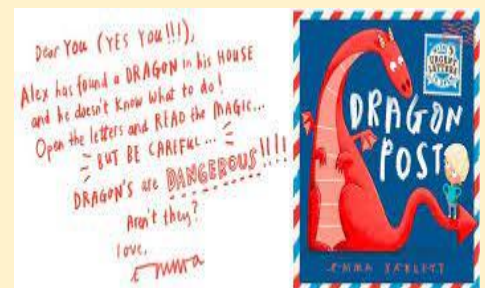


## Year 2:

Year 2 have been using the words we collected about dragons on our trip to Lincoln Castle to write some descriptions of dragons. Here is Albert's description:

*The scary dragon has bright, long teeth and sharp, shiny claws. He has small, black eyes and cute, little wings. The huge dragon has stompy, little feet and protective, knobbly scales.*

We have now received a postcard from the dragon from our Dragon Post book and are learning how to write a good postcard back to him.



## Year 4:

In Year 4 this week we have been reading Roald Dahl's 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' in English and Guided Reading. We have been looking at and deconstructing the character description of Willy Wonka, gathering some amazing vocabulary ideas in readiness for writing our own character descriptions next week of characters of our choosing. We have also begun to look at food chains in Science and are thinking like scientists to identify the producer, predator and prey within a food chain considering a variety of different habitats. We know that the producer is always plant based and that producers get their energy from the sun.

We have also looked at and compared the way that England is divided in modern day compared to Anglo – Saxon times and have identified what different endings to places mean, for example, -ton means farm and -ham means village. It was so interesting to find that some of the places still exist today such as Essex, East Anglia and Northumbria!

We are looking forward to another week full of amazing and interesting learning and where it will take us!

## Year 6:

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, Year 6 visited the Parish Church to attend a talk by local historian and expert Alastair Goodrum and received a tour with Revd. John. The children learnt about the Spalding B Company and their involvement in WW1. Our History question: **'What impact did World War 1 have on our local community?'** was our focus and we enjoyed hearing about local men, where they lived in Spalding (some on the same streets as us), jobs they held prior to enlistment and the battles they fought in. Different children were also part of the talk, sharing details of key men and being part of an air battle linked to John Gleed. During the tour, the children visited St George's Chapel, a memorial to those who died in WW1, locating the names of men like Harry Goodrum, Cecil Adams and John Gleed. They also learnt about a stained glass window, commissioned by the Gleed family to honour their son and son-in-law who both lost their lives in the war. We also visited the former Drill Hall, on Haverfield Road, where soldiers were trained, finding the symbol of the Lincolnshire Regiment. Our last stop was Ayscoughfee, to take a moment of reflection at the War Memorial designed by the architect Sir Edwin Lutyens. We took time to pay our respect for the soldiers who gave their lives to fight for their country.