



The Spalding Parish Post

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Another very busy week at Spalding Parish including Year 2s trip to Lincoln Castle. This is our first trip of the academic year and all Year Groups have been very busy planning their intended trips linked to the curriculum for the year ahead and an overview of trips and potential costs will come home with children very soon – watch this space! We hope this will really support with budgeting for such visits which provide a really powerful stimulus for the curriculum we have in place.

It has been fantastic to see so many of you at our recent Parent Consultation meetings. If you have not yet been able to meet with your child’s class teacher, please drop them an email or catch them on the door and they would be more than happy to schedule an appointment or a telephone conversation. After all, you know your child best and positive communication with you can only support your child in their learning in school.

Just a reminder re parking at the beginning and end of day. The council have recently confirmed that the parking restrictions/markings at the front of school will shortly be reintroduced which we know will really support parents and carers being able to bring their children to school safely. In the meantime when dropping your child at school please ensure that you do park safely for the benefit of all. Thank you. **Diane Mulley, Head Teacher**

Dates for the diary:

- 25th September: Y2DO and Y5MJ Parent Consultations
- 25th September: Year 5 Swimming
- 26th September: Y3SD Parent Consultations
- 26th September: Last chance to book meals for WB 2nd October
- 27th September: Y4KR and Y5IG Parent Consultations
- 28th September: Y1JT and Y3TS Parent Consultations
- 29th September: Flu Vaccinations
- 2nd October: Year 5 Swimming
- 2nd October: Year 5/6 Football Match SPCEDS 3.30pm
- 3rd October: Last chance to book meals for WB 9th October
- 3rd October: Year 6 visit to St Mary and St Nicolas and Ayscoughfee re World War I
- 5th October: National Poetry Day
- 6th October: Story Sharer Parent Workshop – see leaflet for more details
- 9th October: Year 5 Swimming
- 10th October: Last chance to book meals for WB 16th October



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:** Jessica, Liliana
- Year 1:** Frank (Y1JT), India (Y1PB)
- Year 2:** Victor (Y2AR), Laura (Y2CH), Oliver (Y2DO)
- Year 3:** Esme (Y3SD), Effie (Y3SH), Evanas (Y3TS)
- Year 4:** Delilah (Y4KR), Izabela (Y4LB), Henry (Y4SS)
- Year 5:** Carolina (Y5IG), Bozhidara (Y5MJ), Seth (Y5RW)
- Year 6:** Will (Y6AS), Jaydan (Y6EW), Sophia (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: Positive Promoters

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 (93.5%)
- KS1:** Y1PB and Y2DO (99.3%)
- LKS2:** Y4LB (98.5%)
- UKS2:** Y5MJ (99.3%)
- School:** 96.5%, super attendance this week, 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

EYFS:

A huge welcome to all of our new pupils to school and their families – you are all very welcome additions to the Spalding family, we are pleased you are with us!

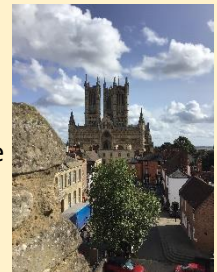
We are also really proud of all of our new starters and how they have settled during their first couple of weeks at Spalding Parish. Change can be really difficult and we are all very proud at how the children have adapted to their new environment during their relatively short time at SPCEDS.

We have all been very busy over these initial few weeks completing our baseline assessments of all the pupils. This will help inform our learning over the term and year ahead and ensure that this is very closely based on the children's prior knowledge and skills. We look forward to being able to share your child's achievements with you at our first Parent Consultation for EYFS parents/carers which will be held straight after the term break. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Year 2:

Year Two had an amazing trip to Lincoln Castle this week to help us answer our big question – 'Why did William the Conqueror build Lincoln Castle?' While we were there we met Lucy and Norman, the dragons, and have thought of words to describe them that will now help us in our dragon writing back at school.

Whilst in Lincoln we went for a walk around the castle walls looking at whereabouts in Lincoln the castle was built. We had a great view of the cathedral from up there. We learned about the parts of a castle and what they would have been used for in the times of William the Conqueror.



Year 4:

Year 4 have started learning how to round numbers up and down. We have also looked at Roman Numerals and how they are used in everyday life. We have been reading "The Last Bear" and thinking about how to retrieve different types of information from a text. We are now experts at summarising a text and are putting our summaries together with predictions looking at what we have read, and then what might happen next. We are writing to inform this term and are writing a magazine article about flooding and climate change. The weather seems to have taken a topical turn, with us watching the rain pour down outside as we write about climate change and flood defences inside!

In RE, we are thinking about celebrations and have also discussed Remembrance Sunday and designed a memorial. In Art we have learned to draw faces in proportion and are now learning how Picasso broke the rules and drew them in an abstract style. We have loved looking at the Sutton Hoo hoard in History and finding out about the Anglo-Saxons in Britain. In Science we have learned about teeth and conducted a fab experiment to see what happens when you leave eggs in different liquids for a week!

Year 6:

What another fabulous week of learning in Year 6! In English, we have been writing stories linked to our study of Roald Dahl's book 'Boy', focusing in on the Great Mouse Plot. The children have blown us away with their planning and beautiful use of speech to advance the action in their side tickling stories. They have used the character of Mrs Pratchett, the sweet shop owner, to develop their own malicious and revolting characters. Well done everyone!

In Maths, we have started to look at the four operations starting with addition and subtraction. We have enjoyed exploring common factors and multiples completing investigations with hundred squares. Within Reading, we are using non-fiction texts to explore World War 1 and really building on our oracy skills to unpick a text by building on each other's ideas, asking questions and starting new lines of enquiry. These are skills we will extend across the curriculum. In Computing, we have explored IP addresses, developing understanding of protocols (rules) online and why we use Domain Name Servers. We had fun trying to remember IP addresses in groups of two, four and then six. In PE, we have been developing skills to play small team games using our netball skills.