



The Spalding Parish Post

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Dear Parent/Carer,



During the last week of Term 3, Emily Hill and I spent time completing our termly Learning Walk. This is something that we look forward to each term as it is an opportunity to get in to classrooms and for staff and pupils to showcase all the amazing things that are happening in and around school. We are often in and out of classrooms over the course of a term but this is a real opportunity for all to showcase the term's learning.

Over the course of our visits this term we saw some really brilliant learning happening, evidencing the children's increasing independence in their learning, their responses to feedback to move their learning on and also their participation in lessons. We also saw a real range of learning over the course of these visits – Maths, English, RE, Phonics and Guided Reading to name but a few. Thank you all! Yet more reasons to be 'Proud to be Parish'.

On another note you will all be aware that, as a school, we are part of the LAAT, the Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust. We are aware that parents and carers may not fully be aware of what this means for school and as such wanted to share a document the Trust have put together highlighting the benefits. Please take a look at the attached document - Information for Parents LAAT. **Diane Mulley HT**

Dates for the diary:

- 19th February: Start of Term 4, 8.35am KS2, 8.40am EYFS/KS1
- 19th February: Year 5 Swimming
- 20th February: Year 5/6 Cross Country Festival
- 20th February: Year 1 Reading/Phonics Workshop for parents/carers
- 20th February: Year 2 History Talk
- 20th February: Last chance to book meals for WB 26th February
- 22nd February: Y2DO Class Presentation 9am
- 22nd February: Parental Workshop pm (contact the school if interested in taking part)
- 23rd February: Y5MJ Class Presentation 9am
- 26th February: Year 5 Swimming
- 26th February: Girls Football Match 3.45pm Crowland Southview
- 27th February: Last chance to book meals for WB 4th March
- 27th February: Year 3/4 Cross Country Festival
- 29th February: Y2AR Class Presentation 9am
- 1st March: Y4KR Class Presentation 9am
- 4th March: Year 5 Swimming
- 5th March: Last chance to book meals for WB 11th March



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!

This week we are acknowledging all the pupils in school given their amazing attitudes to school, their approach to learning and their overall brilliance during Term 3. I know I often talk about how proud I am to be a part of the Spalding Parish family but this is genuinely the case. It is a real pleasure to be part of the children's educational journeys on a daily basis and truly they never cease to amaze me with their initiative, ingenuity and genuine incredibility. I know you will also be very proud of your children too and rightly so. 😊😊



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: Dynamic Dynamos**

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: FS2EB (94.6%)
- KS1: Y2DO (97.0%)
- LKS2: Y3TS (96.4%)
- UKS2: Y5RW (96.4%)

School: 92.3% - Another dip this week, let's keep trying!



Thank of the Week...

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Sports Update:

At the end of Term 3, a team of Year 6 pupils attended the Spalding Primary Schools Hockey Festival, hosted by Spalding Hockey Club. The festivals are held on a termly basis so this is the third one this academic year. For this event we were represented by a slightly changed squad with a number of our Year 5 players away on the trip to London to the British Museum but the whole team played absolutely brilliantly with some amazing results over the course of the event.

In total we played four games during the festival, finishing very successfully at the top of the Beginners League. 15 goals were scored in total by Freddi, Will, Frankie and Harry, excellent defending was shown by Archie and Zayne, and brilliant all-round support play was provided by Stanley! We are extremely proud of all the pupils who took part and look forward to the next tournament in March.



Year 1:

Year One have started the term super busy! We have started a number of new topics as we enter Term 4.

In Science we are continuing to learn about plants and what the parts of the plant do. We are even using our knowledge of plants to write our very own leaflets in English.

We have started our new Geography topic focussed on the four countries that make up the UK and we can now name some famous landmarks in London.

In RE we are furthering our learning from last term of the religion of Islam, we are really enjoying learning about Islam and can't wait to further our learning on this topic!

Year 3:

Year 3 have been excited to get back to school after the half term break. We have completed our Science experiment using magnets to sort out various items in a toolbox. We discovered that not all metals are magnetic and some materials like plastic and thick cardboard can block the magnetic force.

We are going to use our knowledge of forces to write a non-chronological report answering the question "How is magnetic force different to friction?".

In DT we will be designing, making and evaluating healthy sandwiches. We will be tasting different types of bread and choose our favourite to make a healthy and hopefully tasty sandwich.

Year 5:

Year 5 are excited to continue their learning during Term 4 after a fantastic Term 3. We all thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the British Museum in London, indeed all the children were a credit to the school throughout the visit and this was commented on by a number of museum staff and members of the public! Another Proud to be Parish moment. We explored rooms containing Ancient Athenian and Spartan artefacts and studied information based on our History focussed enquiry question, 'How free were the people of Ancient Athens and Sparta?' After we had finished investigating these areas we then moved onto look at the Ancient Egyptian section for a quick explore in readiness for our topic in Term 5!

We are excited to move onto Geography this term where our focus will be on Europe and what makes it wonderful!

