



The Spalding Parish Post

#proudtobeparish

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Well what another fantastic week with many, many reasons to be #ProudtobeParish. Over the last week we have had a number of Year Groups embarking on visits to the local community, including the local library and the Baptist Church or even just for a walk, and in the case of Year 4 to the The Collection Museum in Lincoln. We have received such positive feedback from all the places and from all the adults involved with the children behaving impeccably and really representing the school well. Not only does this reflect positively on the school but also on the whole community so a huge well done and thank you to you all.

I was also fortunate to be able to spectate at two of the hockey matches at last week's festival. Again, this was a real joy to behold with all the children representing the school impeccably – it was fantastic to see not only their team spirit but also their sportsmanship, shaking hands and being supportive to others at the end of the games. They also played brilliantly well and should be so proud of all of their achievements – see our Sports Report over the page for an update. A huge well done to all involved and to all the parents/carers for supporting their children at this event. Finally, we are looking to welcome our new EYFS parents/carers into school next week for our EYFS Parent Consultations and sharing all the achievements so far this academic year. If you have not yet made an appointment, please get in touch. Thank you for your continued support! **Diane Mulley Head Teacher**

Dates for the diary:

20th November: Year 5 Swimming
21st November: Last chance to book meals for WB 27th November
23rd November: Y1PB Class Presentation 9am
24th November: Y3TS Class Presentation 9am
24th November: Year 5 Library Visit
27th November: Year 5 Swimming
27th-29th November: EYFS Parent Consultations (see letter for details)
28th November: Last chance to book meals for WB 4th December
30th November: Year 6 Visitor re Flower Festival and local community
30th November: EYFS Phonics Workshop
1st December: Y3SD Class Presentation 9am
4th December: Year 5 Swimming
4th-6th December: Key Stage 1 Nativity 10am and 5.30pm – see separate letter for details
5th December: Last chance to book meals for WB 11th December
7th December: Christmas Lunch Day – please ensure orders are placed by Tuesday 28th November
7th December: Festive Thursday – see letter for details.



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:** Milana, Reginald, Eva (FS2)
- Year 1:** Poppy (Y1JT), Enzo (Y1PB)
- Year 2:** Elouise (Y2AR), Laura (Y2CH), Joshua (Y2DO)
- Year 3:** Darius (Y3SD), Christina (Y3SH), Matilda (Y3TS)
- Year 4:** Vlad (Y4KR), Izabela (Y4LB), Olivia (Y4SS)
- Year 5:** Caitlin (Y5IG), Auris (Y5MJ), Martins (Y5RW)
- Year 6:** Sara (Y6AS), Franek (Y6EW), Aaliyah (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: Exciting Experts

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 (94.3%)
- KS1:** Y2DO (97.4%)
- LKS2:** Y4SS (96.7%)
- UKS2:** Y5RW (97.2%)
- School:** 95.6% - another positive improvement, well done!



Think of the Week...

Please remember to share your thoughts and ideas with us!

Are heroes ever scared?

Parish Post Phase Update #proudtobeparish

Sports Update:

On Friday 17th November the school hockey team went to the second Spalding Hockey Club tournament of the year. It was an absolutely brilliant evening of teamwork, communication and support! All of the children played so well together, scoring a brilliant 11 goals over 4 games and conceding 0 which was absolutely amazing. This means we are currently sitting at the top of the hockey league so we are very well positioned in readiness for the next tournament in February.

Also in sports recently, the Year 5 and 6 boys football hosted Eye Primary School on Monday. Again, they played extremely well, coming from 3-0 behind to bring the score line level at halftime. The final score was 6-4 to Eye but we played extremely well and are looking forward to hosting St Norberts next week.

Year 1:

Year 1 have had a very exciting week. We're still practicing for our Christmas performance and cannot wait for our grown ups to watch. We explored our local area, Spalding town, to support our learning in Geography. We looked at the different buildings and discussed what they are. We used photo frames to look at the buildings in detail.



We also experienced our first Reading Buddy session with the Year 6 children. They listened to our reading and shared their books with us too. We all really enjoyed the session – it was fantastic to be able to spend some time with the older pupils - and cannot wait for our next one!



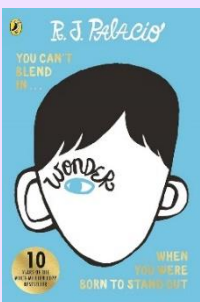
Year 3:

Year 3 have had another busy couple of weeks in school. We are enjoying our class story "The Wind In The Willows" by Kenneth Grahame and are hoping to take inspiration from the story to help with our next English topic. This will involve thinking about the descriptions of the riverbank, Toad Hall and the Wild Wood to help us with our own setting descriptions.

We have almost finished our non-chronological reports answering the question "How has Britain changed since the Stone Age?" We have used the learning from our History last term for the content and have worked hard organising our paragraphs into sub-headings so that our reports make sense. We are really looking forward to our school trip to Flag Fen to learn even more about the Stone Age.

We have been creative in our DT sessions using levers and linkages to make a seesaw and a moving hand. We are going to use this knowledge to plan, design and create our very own moving Christmas cards.

Year 5:



Over the past few weeks Year 5 have been on a visit to Spalding Library! We had a lovely time and while we were there we completed some learning on the book 'Wonder', a novel by R.J. Palacio. The themes of this book also tied in with Anti-Bullying Week and the children completed activities around the library as well as making kindness cards (you may see some of these in the window!) Back at school, we continue to love studying 'The Animals of Farthing Wood', we have been using cartography to help deepen our understanding of the text!

In English we are finishing off our learning on the Battle of Hastings by writing a Horrible Histories inspired script! The children have been working in small groups to write their scripts detailing the facts of the Battle, we should be experts when it comes to our workshop in December!