



# The Spalding Parish Post

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

It was another busy week in the life of the school last week including our Spring Parent Consultation meetings. A huge thank you must go to all of the Parents and Carers for taking the time to attend to find out all about their children's learning and the progress that they have made during the current academic year. It is also always a really good opportunity to share with you the current targets for your children including strategies to support at home. If you did not manage to attend during the Parent Consultation week, please get in touch via the school office or via Year Group emails and your child's Class Teacher will be in touch following the Term Break.

A huge thank you to all of the Parents and Carers who have taken the time to complete the annual Parent/Carer Questionnaire. This will now be analysed with the results shared with you all including any identified areas for improvement and how these will be addressed. As part of this we will also share with you the actions we have undertaken over the course of the year in response to last year's questionnaire.

Wishing you all a very restful and relaxing Term Break. Thank you again for all of your support over the course of the academic year so far. We look forward to welcoming you back for the summer terms on the 16<sup>th</sup> April.

Diane Mulley HT

## Dates for the diary:

- 25<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5 Swimming
- 27<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5/6 Netball Fixture 3.30pm at Spalding Parish
- 28<sup>th</sup> March: End of Term Church Service at St Mary and St Nicolas 10am
- 28<sup>th</sup> March: End of Term 4 (3.10pm for EYFS/Key Stage 1 and 3.20pm for Key Stage 2)
- 9<sup>th</sup> April: Last chance to book meals for WB 16<sup>th</sup> April
- 16<sup>th</sup> April: Last chance to book meals for WB 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- 16<sup>th</sup> April: School reopens for Term 5 (8.35am for Key Stage 2 pupils and 8.40am for EYFS/Key Stage 1)



## 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:** Oceania, all of FS2KB, Simeon (FS2)
- Year 1:** Dominika (Y1JT), Adriel (Y1PB)
- Year 2:** Jack, Victor, Armandas (Y2AR), Sophie (Y2CH), Joshua (Y2DO)
- Year 3:** Yoan (Y3SD), Effie (Y3SH), Zi Wen (Y3TS)
- Year 4:** Tommy (Y4KR), Iannys (Y4LB), Dexter (Y4SS)
- Year 5:** Douglas (Y5IG), Katrina (Y5MJ), Amelia (Y5RW)
- Year 6:** Angel (Y6AS), Dilan (Y6EW), Archie (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: Challenging Challengers**

## 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 (91.3%)
- KS1:** Y2DO (98.0%)
- LKS2:** Y3SH (99.2%)
- UKS2:** Y5RW (97.9%)
- School:** 94.2% - A positive rise this week, well done all!



## Thank of the Week...

Please remember to share your thoughts and ideas with us!

*Is not being against racism the same as being for it?*

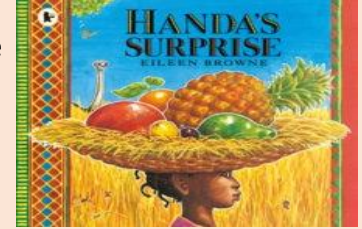
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# Parish Post Phase Update #proudtobeparish

## EYFS:

We have been extremely busy learning once again in EYFS. This time we have been learning all about Africa. On our recent Wow day we explored all about Africa including African dancing, clothes, patterns and even drumming! We shared the story of 'Handa's Surprise' and used words from the story to compose our own African drum rhythms. Since then, we have spent some time retelling the story and some of us have even attempted to write the story using the writing skills we have learnt over the course of the year so far. We are looking forward to further extending our writing skills over the month ahead!



## Year 2:

Year 2 have been making their own fruit or veg snack pot in Design Technology and the children were very enthusiastic about tasting the different fruits and vegetables on offer. There were a range to taste which included carrots, lettuce, oranges, strawberries and apples. After tasting we then evaluated and went on to then pick what fruits or veg they were going to put in their own snack pot. The children were very safe and sensible with the knives and peelers when having a go at this skill. Children described the taste of the fruits and veg using vocabulary such as 'delicious', 'sweet' and 'sour' and really enjoyed this session.

Year 2 have also been writing a non – chronological report to inform a science expert all about germination, the life cycle of a plant and parts of a plant. We have been focusing on our handwriting and making sure it is the neatest it can be and the structure of our sentences.

## Year 4:

We have had another busy couple of weeks in Year 4! In English we have been using the descriptions of our goblins in our portal stories to help us write our own free verse poem about finding a goblin on the playground or field at the start or end of the school day! We had lots of fun writing these and we are proud of the poems we have produced. In Science we have continued to investigate how we can change sound, focussing on how we can change the pitch in sound. We found out that you can change the pitch of the sound produced by plucking a string, by changing the length, thickness or weight of the string. We enjoyed our DT lesson, which involved us making our wraps. We learnt how to use knives and graters safely and definitely enjoyed tasting our wraps. We evaluated them and rated them out of 10 too! We all agreed they were very yummy!

In Maths we are still working really hard to learn our multiplication facts to 12x12! Remember to keep asking us questions to increase our recall speed!

## Year 6:

Another busy few weeks in Year 6. We have really enjoyed writing letters to some of our favourite authors following World Book Day. They have shown how they have inspired the children to engage in reading for pleasure and enabled them to ask lots of questions too. We will be posting them at the end of next week and look forward to some responses. Authors we have written to include: Maz Evans, Onjali Q Rauf and Andy Stanton. Some were picked from books pupils have read from the Reading Spine, ones they enjoyed when they were younger from class stories or that have been shared at home. They have become excellent reading role models to their Year 1 Buddies and continue to enjoy sharing a book with them every other week. For Mother Languages Day we listened to stories in different languages and Mrs Balan came in to share a poem about books in Romanian. Thank you to all the parents actively supporting on the new platform: Learning with Parents. The Year 6 team have really enjoyed finding out what you have been enjoying reading at home. On Tuesday, we visited Spalding Baptist Church to take part in Easter Cracked. We took part in a range of activities including Easter Craft, Rapping, Quizzes, Drama and an egg hunt. The Year 6s were complimented on their outstanding RE knowledge and their exceptional behaviour. Well done Year 6. We are all very proud of you all!