

THE Spalding Parish POST

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Our Termly Value

Thankfulness

WHAT A FABULOUS START TO TERM 1!

Welcome to this week's Parish Post! It's been another busy and enjoyable week of learning, with lots of achievements and special moments to celebrate. We hope you enjoy reading about what we've been up to.

LAAT

Love as Action Together (LAAT) is our Trust's charitable fund, providing practical support to families across the Trust in a wide variety of ways when they need it most. Another aspect of the Trust to be thankful for. Similarly we are incredibly grateful to those who go the extra mile to raise money for this important cause. Last week, Miss Siddall and Mrs Hill took on the challenge of the Great Eastern Half Marathon, raising funds to support the work of LAAT. Their commitment, determination and generosity are a wonderful example of living out our Trust values in action. A huge well done and thank you to them both for their fantastic achievement and for helping make a difference to the lives of Trust families. Should you want to donate, the link to their [Just Giving](#) page is attached. Similarly please get in touch if you need any support - hopefully we will be able to help.

ATTENDANCE

You will know that a key feature of many of our newsletters is attendance. This is because it is one of the biggest factors in helping children achieve their potential. National guidance continues to place a really strong emphasis on the importance of children attending school regularly and at Spalding Parish and within our Trust we are aiming for all children to achieve attendance of 96%.

We fully recognise that there will be times when children are too unwell to attend school. However we remain fully committed to working with families to support good attendance, including working together to overcome any barriers that may arise to hopefully ensure the best possible outcomes for all. Our Attendance Champions this week in each of our age phases are as follows:

EYFS - FSDO 92.4%

KS1 - Y1BB 98.3%

LKS2 - Y4AR 96.7%

UKS2 - Y6BW 99.2%

Whole school - 94.9%

Positive attendance this week - well done all!

WE NEED YOU...

We are looking for parents and carers to support two exciting initiatives at school:

☀ **World of Work Project** – Could you share your career, skills, or experiences with our pupils to help inspire their future aspirations?

☀ **Friends of Spalding Parish (PTA)** – We are looking to establish a parent group to support the school through events, fundraising, and community activities. If you could help with either of these projects, please contact the school office. Any support, big or small, would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting our school community!



EYFS OPEN MORNING

Join us for our EYFS Open Morning! If your child is due to start school in September 2027, come along on Tuesday 20th October between 9.30am and 11.00am to experience life at our school. Meet our friendly team, tour our Early Years setting, see the school in action, and find out how we support children to thrive from their very first day. Everyone is welcome, and we look forward to meeting you and your family. Whether you are already considering our school or would simply like to find out more, all families are welcome to attend.



EXTRA CURRICULAR EXCITEMENT!

Trips, visits and wider extra-curricular opportunities are a highly valued and important part of our curriculum offer. These experiences bring learning to life, enabling children to deepen their understanding through first-hand experiences, make meaningful connections with their classroom learning, and develop their confidence, curiosity and cultural awareness. Throughout the year, we carefully plan a wide range of educational visits, visitors and enrichment activities that enhance and broaden the curriculum for all pupils.

This week has seen the first two of our many exciting visits planned for the academic year. Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic visit to Lincoln Castle as part of their History learning, where they were able to explore the past in a real-life setting and bring their studies to life. Meanwhile, Year 4 spent the day at Peterborough Cathedral taking part in an Anglo-Saxon Day, immersing themselves in this fascinating period of history through a range of engaging activities. Both groups had a fabulous day and represented the school superbly. We look forward to sharing many more highlights from our extra-curricular and enrichment programme as the year progresses.



ONLINE SAFETY

Recent concerns about social media remind us all of the importance of helping children stay safe online. Whilst the internet offers many opportunities for learning and communication, it is important that children understand how to use it responsibly and know what to do if they see something that worries them.

In school, we regularly teach online safety and encourage pupils to talk to a trusted adult about any concerns. We ask families to support this by having regular conversations about online activity and ensuring children only access age-appropriate apps, games and websites. Working together, we can help keep our children safe in the digital world. Please see our Online Safety letter for more details.



HARVEST SERVICE

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to join us for our Harvest Service on Friday 23rd October at 10.00am at St Mary and St Nicolas Church. As always, we will be supporting our local food bank through donations of food and produce. If you would like to contribute, please bring any donations into school between Tuesday 20th October and Friday 6th November. Please see the Harvest letter for further information and details of suggested donations.



IMPORTANT DATES

14th October - Year 5 Bayeaux Tapestry Live Event

14th October - Y6BW Class Presentation 2.40pm

15th October - Y1BB Class Presentation 2.40pm

21st October - Y4AR Class Presentation 2.40pm

22nd October - Y1/2PB Class Presentation 2.40pm

23rd October - Harvest Church Service 10am St Mary and St Nicolas