



Spaldwick Community Primary School

Head 2 Home

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Spaldwick School where every day is a chance to LEARN and SUCCEED

A message from Mrs Worrell

October started for us with an interim visit from Ofsted. This was not an inspection but was completed as part of a piece of research being carried out to inform the government about how schools are responding to COVID. I spent the day with two inspectors discussing: attendance, behaviour, safeguarding and curriculum. It was an extremely useful day and whilst we do not receive a report, we will receive a letter which I will share immediately.

I have felt so proud of all of our children and staff this term! The way everyone has managed the changes has been phenomenal. Enjoy half term, the children have all worked so hard, they have earned a break! Happy half term everyone.

Children in Need

This year Children in Need are running an appeal week from 9th – 15th November. The focus is on mental health and wellbeing and Joe Wicks is leading the Five to Thrive campaign.

We will join in throughout the week and we will end the week with a 'Feel Good Friday' non-uniform (mufti) day. Children can make a small donation to come to school in fancy dress, sports kit or anything non-uniform.

FOSS Events

This week your child will have brought home a Christmas card they have designed in school. This year, we need you to order your cards, wrapping paper etc. directly from the company before returning the art work to school to be sent on to the company.

Don't forget to enter the Halloween pumpkin design competition too.

S-Club

If you are booking your children in to attend S-Club after school club, please remember to ensure the office know. It slows down the end of the day for everyone when we have to double check the arrangements.

Reception & KS1 Nativity

Next term, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be working together on the Christmas production. We will remain in our bubbles at all times and we will only sing in smaller groups to ensure we remain safe at all times. Unfortunately, you will not be able to come into school but we will be looking for a budding film maker to film the production.

The Eagles learn all About Teams

After a long time at home, we have come back to school and have been starting to learn about how to use Microsoft teams. Our teacher has been helping us understand how to do our homework on Teams. We each have our own personal passwords for Teams and there is a class page. On 14th October, we had our very first class call in the playground. We have completed maths work and reading work on Teams. *"I feel we all understand Microsoft Teams a lot more after these lessons over the last few weeks. We have been taught this so we can complete our homework and because of the possibility of another lockdown. We are all truly grateful for this experience."*

Catie and Hannah

Communication

I am sure you will have seen the recent press about the drive to reduce Teachers' workload, this has become even more important with the need to balance teaching in school alongside the remote learning requirements. As a result, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you about our communication policy. Teachers have been asked to only respond to emails between 8am and 5:30pm Monday to Thursday and before 5pm on Friday. There is no expectation for teachers to check their emails over weekends or during holidays. You can read the full policy [here](#).

Our teachers are here to help you and your child and we will always do our best to answer your queries as promptly and efficiently as possible. We teach our children to show kindness, respect and understanding and we politely ask you to do the same.

Week Commencing	Diary
19/10/20	Thursday 22 nd – Teams Training Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85914336574?pwd=bDBqdFNSTRNTHhuK280TWJQbEZwQT09 Meeting ID: 859 1433 6574 Passcode: m9Wi1m
02/11/20	Monday 2 nd – School closed for Training Day Tuesday 3 rd – School opens to all children
09/11/20	Monday 9 th – School photos (No pre-school siblings) Wednesday 11 th – Remembrance Day Friday 15 th – Children in Need (non-uniform day)
16/11/20	Anti-bullying week
07/12/20	Friday 11 th – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
14/12/20	Wednesday 16 th – Flu Vaccinations Thursday 17 th – Christmas Party day Friday 18 th (9:30am) – Virtual Christmas singalong Friday 18 th – School closes
04/01/2021	Monday 4 th – School opens Wednesday 6 th – Friday 8 th – Life Education Bus



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