

Spittal V.C. School

Newsletter 26 – Summer term 2022



REMINDER - Monday 6th June is an Inset day for all pupils. The first day of the second half of the summer term for the children is Tuesday 7th June.

Back together again – As we continue to move forward from Covid restrictions in schools, we enjoyed our first assembly all together in the hall earlier this week. For our younger children this was their first experience of all coming together to share some quiet and reflective time. After the past two years it was a special time to enjoy being all together!

Inspiration and growth mindset! – Today we welcomed a special guest to assembly as Mr Fisher (Elliot and Orla's dad) joined us to talk about his experience of participating in the Invictus Games recently. Thank you for joining us and showing us all just how a growth mindset works in a real life situation. You are a real inspiration to us!



Pastor Jenny – from Bethlehem chapel joined us for our virtual assembly on Wednesday to lead us in thinking and reflecting.

Teacher vacancy – Today an advert for the teacher vacancy in Skrinkle Haven went live on the county council's website. We will keep you updated on this next half term.

Jubilee key-rings – Thank you to the PFA for their Jubilee gift to every child. The lovely and special Jubilee wooden key ring will come home with the children today. We thank everyone for your support for all the hard work undertaken by the PFA in order to support our school.

Mrs Barrett-Evans, Foundation governor – A big thank you to Mrs Barrett-Evans for organising the replanting of the tyre flower pots at the front of the school, helped by a group of children. The planters make the school entrance a cheerful sight and as the children commented, that we are proud of our school.

Readathon fundraising – Today Gemma delivered a huge number of books to school! These were the books Mr Gibbens selected for the school library! Due to your tremendous fundraising he was able to select so many books! Thank you to everyone who participated and also who sponsored the children.



Religion, Values and Ethics – One aspect of the new Curriculum for Wales is the move from Religious Education to a Religion, Values and Ethics curriculum. As a Church school Values Education forms a strong part of our school. Our focus value this half term has been 'Justice'. We have learnt that justice means more than making sure things are fair and that for people to live together well we need a just community and country through rules or laws which everyone follows.

Parent – Teacher meetings – If you haven't already done so, please sign up for a Parent – Teacher meeting which are being held during the week beginning Mon 6th June. The booking sheets are in the school foyer.





Jubilee celebrations – We will be celebrating the Queen's platinum jubilee on Friday 10th June. This will include a red, white and blue non-uniform day, a jubilee school dinner, an afternoon of traditional games and rounded off with tea and cake for everyone.

Cake donations – The PFA will be grateful for donations of cake for the Jubilee celebrations.

Bags 2 School – A reminder that a collection by Bags 2 Schools will take place during the second week after half term and is a great opportunity to clear those textile items whilst also supporting the PFA. Thank you for your help and support with this.



Year 6 Leavers' Photos – These will take place on the morning of Wednesday 8th June.

Reception pupils – Health screen – The school nursing service will be in school for the health screen on Tuesday 7th June.

Celebration assembly – Thank you to all the children making the job of selecting who should be awarded the 'Seren yr wythnos' certificates or spotted for hot chocolate such a challenge! Keep up your hard work and fabulous effort everyone!

Half term – We hope that everyone has a good half term break.

Dates

- Week beginning Monday 30th May – Half term break
- Mon 6th June – Inset training day for school staff
- Tues 7th June – First day back for pupils following half term break
- Tues 7th, Weds 8th and Thurs 9th June – Parent Teacher meetings
- Tues 7th June – Reception pupils – Health screen check
- Weds 8th June – Year 6 leavers photographs
- Fri 10th June – Jubilee celebrations including non-uniform day and afternoon tea
- Mon 13th June & morning of Tues 14th June – Bags 2 School
- Tues 12th July – Sports Day
- Thurs 14th July – Year 6 Leavers event
- Fri 15th July – Last day of school year for pupils

Yours sincerely

Head teacher