



## Speen C of E School

Monday Newsletter - 20 May 2024

### Star of the week:

Reception:	Pip
KS1:	All of KS1
Lunchtime trophy:	Will

Well done!

### Housekeeping:

**Father's Day celebration – Years R, 1 & 2:** As you know this is scheduled to take place on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** and initially we had planned a morning activity however this has now been changed to an afternoon activity to coincide with the PTA family BBQ being held on the playing fields. It will still take place on our School grounds however the time has changed to start at **1:15pm**. The only item needed is a small named terracotta pot.

**Driveway safety:** Please could all Parents not allow their younger children to play on the driveway at any time – we do have cars coming in and out of the School and quite often at pick up time and it is not safe for them to play on the driveway. Thank you.

#### Stranger Danger:

This week we will be talking to your children about strangers and keeping safe. We will be doing this using stories such as Little Red Riding Hood.

If you would like some more information about ways you can talk to your child at home about this, please follow this link.

[https://www.betterliveshealthyfuturesbw.nhs.uk/learning\\_resource/stranger-danger/#:~:text=Explain%20they%20must%20tell%20a,encourage%20them%20to%20be%20assertive](https://www.betterliveshealthyfuturesbw.nhs.uk/learning_resource/stranger-danger/#:~:text=Explain%20they%20must%20tell%20a,encourage%20them%20to%20be%20assertive)

### From the children:

#### School Council

Thank you so much to everyone for supporting our Mental Health Awareness Week. This is a copy of the poem written by Bramley Class:



## Kindness

A poem for mental health awareness week from the children of Speen School

Keep on trying  
I am a good Listener  
Nice is better  
Do not listen to people who doubt you  
Never give up  
Enjoy yourself  
Special - you are special!  
Smile at everyone

**Library:** Please do not forget to send in books from last week, thank you.

### Reception class:

Remember to keep reading books in bookbags each day (after they have been read). Thank you.

### Social Media

Do follow Speen School and Little Apples on Facebook and Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/speencofeschool/>

<https://m.facebook.com/SpeenSchool>

### Tapestry/DoJo

You should be getting alerts when a member of staff posts something using our communication to Parents programs. Please do 'like' it or add a comment as staff appreciate it when you have shared in your child's learning in this way.

## Weekly learning

At the end of each week we are uploading information to the School Website for the following week's learning and subsequent homework activities. We have included links to these pages to make it easy to access for you:

<https://www.speenschool.com/bramley-class>

<https://www.speenschool.com/pippins-class>

### Library Days – please remember to send in your child's book to replace:

**Thursdays:** Reception

**Fridays:** KS1

### After School Clubs:

**Mondays:** Dance – KS1 –finishes July 15<sup>th</sup>

**Tuesday:** French - KS1 –finishes July 2nd

**Wednesdays:** Multi Sports – KS1 –finishes July 17th

**Thursdays:** Multi Sports – KS1 –finishes July 11th

**Fridays:** Dance Fridays - 08:20

## PTA News

**Tuck Shop Fridays** – After half term we would like each year group to run a tuck shop Friday. This means each year group is responsible for providing and selling treats for the kids to purchase after school on a Friday. These can be shop bought, donuts / cookies / cakes etc or ice-creams. Please see the below dates for each year group. Please contact Fleur Ridley if you need any more information.

7th June – Year 1&2

21st June – Reception

5th July – Little Apples

**Save the Date – 14th June/ Family bbq** – The PTA would love to invite you to a family bbq on the Speen playing fields! The bbq will follow on from the Father's Day celebration in school so it's a great chance to get our families together for some Friday after school fun. There will be plenty of refreshments on offer so whilst the children burn off some energy you can kick back and relax with a drink and a bite to eat! Let's hope the sun shines for us!

Please note older/ younger children from other schools/nurseries are most welcome!

Please contact Fleur Ridley (07793458698) if you can volunteer to help with this event

**Uniform Sale / 26th June** – As part of the school sports day event, the PTA will have a stall selling second hand uniform. If you have any uniform you are getting rid of please contact Julia Gater.

**Save the Date /Speen Fete -13th July** -SPEEN FETE IS BACK! This year we are celebrating all things Olympic and French as we approach Paris 2024!!! Along with the usual favourites (including two free kids entertainment shows) we have some new side shows in store for you all! Bramley class will also be doing their annual country dance!

But what do we need from you?

A 'bottle mufti' will be taking place on the 5th July. Please bring in a bottle of booze, soft drink, or smellies in return for your children wearing their favourite mufti gear! All your contributions will make our popular bottle tombola a success!

Following on from feedback last year, instead of asking parents to fill up jam jars with sweets, we will be sending the children home with paper sweet bags to be filled. We will set a designated date for these to be dropped at the gazebo.

Please volunteer your time (30minute slots) to help run one of our three stalls. Time sheets will go up in the gazebo after half term.

Proceeds from the fete support a number of local charities including Speen PTA. Any questions regarding Speen fete please contact Lucy on 07770868029

**Diary Dates: (for Diary dates set for this academic year, please see the calendar link)**

<https://www.speenschool.com/calendar/?calid=1&pid=5&viewid=1>

**Mental Health First Aider:**

We now have a trained member of staff in this qualification. Should you feel the need for any support please do not hesitate to get in touch via the School office. All enquiries will be treated confidentially. This note will stay in Monday Reminders weekly.

We hope you find this Monday Newsletter email useful, and if you need to know anything at all or would like clarification about the above, please do not hesitate to contact me. I work in the office every day: Monday/Fridays – an earlier finish of 1:30pm but the rest of the week is a 3:00pm finish. If you have emailed something that is urgent for the same day, and I have not replied, please give the school office a ring 01494 488321. Mrs Robyn Moore