



Speen C of E School

Monday Newsletter - 21 October 2024

Stars of the week:

KS1: Theo
Reception: Chiara
Lunchtime Manners Award: Anastasios

Headteacher Award: Will
Nicola

Well done!

Housekeeping:

Watches: Children are increasingly bringing in watches – please keep them at home as children tend to take them off and we worry they will get lost. Thank you.

Christmas Artwork: Should be in by Thursday please.

KS1 After School Dance Club: Recital today – please arrive at 4:00pm.

Add+VENTUREClub:

If you need childcare arrangements on our INSET DAY this FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER, Add+VENTURE Club is open at WIDMER END school. Please follow the link to book -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1nYmBjhQ8_EcrzuZf1MsM_JicOii5vfSt9xSLpeQsmJ8/edit

HOLIDAY CLUB @ SPEEN SCHOOL - Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November.

BOOKING FORM closes this Wednesday. Please book asap if you require a space for your child.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1uvmdjXln_MWUbgE7PKZ6TFhKaz_tVspSFceXdTtUi-4/edit

Road Safety

We were very grateful to PC Neal and PCSO Cabbage who came to visit us last week.



They talked about crossing roads safely and using bikes and scooters. The children agreed to:

- wear something bright when near a road
- stay with our grown-ups. No scooting, running or cycling away!

For more advice, please follow this link:

<https://www.rospa.com/policy/road-safety/advice/pedestrians/children-road-safety>

From the children:

Eco-Council

As part of recycling week, we have been thinking about different ways to recycle everyday things that end up in landfill.

We are going to become a collection station for a charity called Jog On who collect unwanted trainers and recycle them so they do not end up in landfill.

If you have old trainers that you would like to dispose of, please bring them to the main door of the school. You will see a box already there.

To read more about the charity, please follow this link:

<https://www.jogonagain.com/what-we-do>

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>

Parents can also find information on how to help children at home in the parent section of the website:

<https://www.speenschool.com/page/?title=How+to+Help+at+Home&pid=42>

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

Thursdays: Reception

Fridays: KS1

After School KS1 Clubs:

Mondays: Dance – KS1 – finish 02 December

Tuesday: French - KS1 – finish 26 November

Thursdays: Multi Sports – KS1 – finish 12 December (provisional)

PTA Dates for your diary

PTA AGM : Many thanks to all who attended the AGM. For anyone who couldn’t make it, minutes for the AGM will be issued in the coming weeks.

Christmas Cards & Merchandise: Hopefully everyone has received their child’s Christmas artwork. Just a reminder that parents must complete and fill out their own orders online against the order number on the top of the form. The form along with the art then needs to be returned to school and sent off for processing. If you have any queries, please contact Fleur Ridley.

Break the Rules 24th October: We will be holding ‘Break the Rules’ day on the last day before half term. A flyer will be sent around via WhatsApp’s groups to explain which rules may be broken.

Quiz Night 24th October, 8pm : QUIZ NIGHT!! Thank you to all who have purchased tickets. There are still a number of tickets remaining, so please remember to purchase your tickets this week. Come and celebrate the end of half term with drinks, nibbles and your fellow parents. A great chance to catch up over a glass and enjoy our pub quiz. Tickets are £7.50 (including a glass of wine or beer, and nibbles).

* Additional drinks will be available to purchase at the bar.

Secure your place by making your BACS payment to Speen Parent Teacher Association 20-85-73 13728056. Reference: QUIZ

Speen Bonfire Night 2nd November: Speen Bonfire night is back. This is a great night, so please come along and join in the fun. Tickets are now on sale.

Volunteers needed: As per last year the PTA will be running the bbq. We still need 1 volunteer to help serve food. If you think you can help, please contact Lucy Johnston.

Christmas Wreath Making 10th December: Back by popular demand. This was a really great event which we have held the past few years. Tickets are £30p/p and include a free drink / mince pie and your fabulous handmade wreath to take home. Please make your payment by the 25th October to

secure your place, as it really helps when ordering the equipment needed. Please see separate attachment for all information regarding this course.

Christmas Fair – Sunday 24th November 2- 4.30pm – Save the date. We will be holding the annual Christmas Fair at the school. Further information will be sent out this week. As well as helping on stalls, we also need some bakers and help with Christmas wrapping. Please message Fleur Ridley (07793458698) if you can help.

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>

These dates are not set in stone as they sometimes get changed for reasons beyond our control, so it is very important that you read this reminder letter very carefully and make a note of any dates / date changes.

The week ahead:

Tuesday/Wednesday

Parent meetings with Teachers

Thursday

Normal finish time

Friday

School closed – Teacher training

Monday 04 November

School re-opens

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.