

Spittal Community Primary School News



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Welcome

Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you had a lovely summer and the children have a happy and successful year. We are welcoming 26 new children into reception, and 9 new starters into our nursery class. We hope all our new starters settle in well and enjoy their time at Spittal Primary School. We also welcome Mr. Moscrop to Year 5, Miss Fairbairn who joins as a TA and is running our After-School Club and Mrs Stokoe who is our new kitchen manager.

School News

We are now officially Spittal Community Primary School as we move on to the next part of the partnership reorganisation. Most internal renovations are complete with new signage to be installed in the coming weeks.

Attached is a paper copy of dates for the school year. Staff are in the process of booking trips to give as much advance notice as possible. This will include a residential for Year 5. Additional dates will be added as time goes by and these dates are confirmed via parent app and in our weekly newsletter. If you have any difficulties with the Parent App please speak to Miss Richards. Additional information and newsletters can be found on our website at www.spittal.northumberland.sch.uk. The website also contains other useful information such as term dates, the school prospectus, curriculum information and photographs.

Please remember to send any money into school in a named envelope on a Monday. Swimming this term is for children in Year 5 and will commence next week. We ask for a contribution of £3.00 per week payable on a Monday. If you would like to pay in advance the cost for this half term's swimming is £21.00. If you would like to pay in advance for school meals the cost is £2.50 per day/ £12.50 per week. This is payable in cash or online through School Grid. P.E and swimming will both start next week so please ensure children come to school dressed in their PE kits on their designated days as follows;

Monday-Year 4

Wednesday- Whole school

Thursday- Year 1,2,3 and 5

Friday- Reception and Year 4 (swimming)

Details to follow regarding an after-school PE club beginning next week for children in Year 3, 4 and 5 who would like to attend.

Our new school PE uniform of white T-shirt, hooded sweatshirt, black shorts or joggers and trainers should only be worn on PE days and for trips. Please could you ensure that children only wear plain small stud earrings. At the end of the school day, class teachers dismiss children one at a time to ensure the safety of the children. This may take time, but we thank you for your patience. If there is a change to the person who is picking your child up, please inform the class teacher.

Free School Meals and School Milk

School meals are free for those in reception, year one and two but need to be paid for from year three onwards unless you are eligible for Means Tested Free School Meals. However, to receive free school milk from the term after your child's fifth birthday parents will still need to apply for Free School Meals. The school also receives funding for each child from families receiving these benefits if Free School Meals are applied for.

This funding is used to provide extra support for children to help them to achieve their very best at school. Please apply for Free School Meals if at any time you become eligible for any of the benefits listed even if your child is in reception, year one or two.

Forms are available from the school office.

Children are eligible for Free School Meals if any of the following are met;

- Universal credit (provided your annual net earned income is not more than £7400 from your last 3 assessment periods.)
- Child Tax Credit ONLY- Income below £16,190 (Families receiving Working Tax Credit are not eligible)
- Income Support
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Income Based Job Seekers allowance
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit.
- The Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or the school office.

Diary Dates-Autumn Term

Friday 12th September

Year 5 begin swimming and Nursery begin Library visits.

Thursday 18th September

Seven stories 'Story Catchers' sessions for the whole school

Tuesday 23rd September

Y3, 4 and 5 girls rugby festival at Tweedmouth Middle School

Friday 10th October

Wear something yellow for Mental Health Awareness Day

Monday 13th October

Individual photo's

Week Beginning 13th October

Parents' evenings

Tuesday 21st October

3.20p.m. Parent/child craft session

Wednesday 22nd October

After school film night 3.20p.m.

Friday 24th October

School closes at 3.20p.m for half term

Monday 3rd November

School re-opens.

Thursday 6th November

School Flu Immunisations

Sunday 9th November

School representatives attend Remembrance Day ceremony

Week beginning 10th November

Anti-bullying week

Tuesday 11th November

School act of Remembrance

Year 1 and 2 local walks

Friday 14th November

Children in Need; Children wear spots and/or stripes clothing

Monday 17th November

Road safety week

Thursday 27th November

School Christmas Fair 2 p.m.

Friday 28th November

Whole school pantomime

Monday 8th December

Christmas performance Mr Straughan and Mrs Mutch 9.30a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday 9th December

Christmas performance Miss Jeffrey and Mrs Woodhouse 9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 10th December

Christmas performance Miss Bayly and Miss Richards 9.30a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Thursday 11th December

Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

'Time to Share' 3.20p.m. (an opportunity for you to informally view your child's work)

Monday 15th December

Mr Straughan and Mrs Mutch Christmas party

Tuesday 16th December

Mrs Woodhouse and Miss Jeffrey Christmas party.

Wednesday 17st December

Miss Richards and Miss Bayly Christmas party

Thursday 18th December

Year 5 Christmas party

Friday 20th December

1.30p.m. Carols in the playground. No after school club. School closes.

Spring Term

Monday 5th January

Teacher training day

Tuesday 6th January

School reopens for pupils

Friday 16th January

Swimming starts for Year 4

Friday 23rd January

Burns lunch

Monday 2nd February

National Story Telling week

Wednesday 4th February

Pyjama Day

Thursday 5th February

3.20p.m. 'Time to Share' An opportunity for you to come into school to view your child's work.

Friday 6th February

National number day. Come dressed in number themed clothes.

9 a.m. Parent/child maths games making session.

Wednesday 11th February

Valentines disco 3.20-4.30 p.m.

Friday 13th February

School closes for half term 3.20p.m.

Monday 23rd February

School re-opens

Monday 2nd March

Science week.

Tuesday 3rd March

Science day

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day. Dress as a 'Mad Scientist'

Week Beginning 16th March

Parent's Evenings

Wednesday 1st April

Easter Bingo 3.20 p.m.

Thursday 2nd April

School closes at 3.20 p.m. for Easter. No after school club.

Summer Term

Monday 20th April

School re-opens at 8.50 a.m.

Tuesday 21st April

Year 1 parent phonics information session 3p.m.

Friday 1st May

Swimming starts for Year 3

Monday 4th May

Closed for bank holiday

Thursday 14th May

'Time to Share' 3.20 p.m.

Friday 22nd May

School closes for half term break 3.20p.m.

Monday 1st June

School reopens

Year 4 Multiplication check commences (Mrs Mutch's class)

Wednesday 3rd June

Sports Day 9.15 a.m.- Reception, Year 1 and 2

Sports Day 1.30p.m.- Year 3, 4 and 5

Monday 8th June

Phonics screening check week for Mrs Woodhouse's class

Wednesday 10th June

Reserve Sports Day

Week beginning 22nd June

Creative week

Wednesday 24th June

Nursery Sports Day 9.15a.m.

Thursday 25th June

Parent/child craft session 3.20p.m.

Friday 26th June

2.30p.m. Whole school dance performance

Wednesday 1st July

Fun in the Sun Lunch (Picnic lunch and activity afternoon)

Friday 3rd July

Whole school 'move up' day

Friday 10th July

Nursery graduation 9.15 a.m.

Friday 17th July

School closes at 3.20 p.m. for the end of term. No after school club.