

Newsletter

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As we approach the first half of the Autumn Term, I wanted to outline how we have worked with the children to ensure that gaps in knowledge and understanding have been identified and addressed. In Maths, the children have an assessment prior to starting a new unit of learning. This focuses on the concepts from the previous year's learning. Following this, Teachers plan the sequence of lessons, taking into account any gaps which need to be addressed. Similarly, in English, pupils are consolidating their understanding of the previous year's learning before building on this in new areas.

We are continuing our themed approach to learning, as this is important to us at Speenhamland. Using a theme brings the learning to life, makes links between areas and gives a context to everything that is taught. This is particularly important for English, where the whole class texts that the children study are linked directly to the theme. Our full Curriculum Overview for the whole school is available through the Speenhamland website.

Foundation Pirates

Foundation classes were awash with pirates today as they had their dress up day linked to their learning. We have captured and shared photos of this through our Twitter feed. Any parents who have not requested to follow Speenhamland can do so via the link at the top of this Newsletter.

Children in Need

Once again, this year we will be supporting Children in Need. On Friday 13 November, the children can come to school wearing their own clothes for a £1 donation.

Winning House

This week's House Winner is LAAL with Verde 2nd, Zolty 3rd and Azul 4th.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents for your continued support through what has been a very different and challenging term.

Mrs E Parish—Associate Headteacher

Reminders

- **Contact Details.** If you have any amendments eg change of contact details, email address, please advise the School Office either on the Data Collection Sheet which was sent out at the beginning of term or via the office email. This is very important at any time, but we will be using email if we need to instigate home learning again.
- **Annual Flu Vaccination.** Please following the link <https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> to give consent for your child to receive the flu immunisation which is taking place on **12 November** at school.

FoSS News (Friends of Speenhamland School)

The FoSS will be holding their AGM via Zoom on **Tuesday 20 October 20:00** via Zoom. Please email speenhamlandpta@gmail.com for the Zoom login information.

