

Newsletter

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Speenhamland School



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Welcome back! It appears that Spring has finally caught up with us.

Reading

During INSET day on Monday, the teaching staff revisited the expectations within reading across the school. As part of this discussion, we considered Reading Records and in particular the fact that these provide valuable evidence towards a child's ability and also progress within reading. Therefore, we have taken the decision not only to record individual reading within these but also any reading that we do in class. This could include whole class as well as guided reading. In order to support us with this, we need your help. Whenever your child does any reading, it is important this is recorded within the Reading Record. Without this there is the risk that we assume they are not being heard read at home and they would also not be entitled to Dragons Eggs which are given for frequent reading.

Uniform

The children continue to look smart. However, I feel I need to give a polite reminder that all girls should be wearing the school cardigan with logo, which is available through the Trutex school uniform shop. We also still have a few cardigans remaining in the school office which are being sold at half price (£7.50). In addition, as the weather improves, girls are able to wear school dresses, however, as outlined in the Parent Handbook, which came out last July, it is only the **navy and white** gingham check not the pale blue version. Thank you with your support in this. The children are also able to bring in water bottles to school, which need to be transparent as only water is permitted in the classrooms. Once again, we have a small supply available from the office (£1.50).

Please may we also remind parents that PE kits need to be brought to school on Mondays and then returned home on a Friday for washing. We will not be calling parents for kits that are not in school, so please ensure that these are brought in on Monday morning.

Ambassadors

This week saw the first session where four of our Year 6 pupils visited Trinity for a Design and Technology Workshop. Feedback from Mr Anderson (D&T Teacher at Trinity) was that the boys behaviour was exemplary. Well done to Louis Rogers, Emre Dayan, Layton Mott and Geno Norman.

"On Tuesday, we went to a Design and Technology workshop at Trinity which was AMAZING. We are making a tool box and we learned how to use all kinds of stuff like a vice saw, metal ruler and an electric sand belt . We can't wait until next time."

By Geno Norman and Emre Dayan Class 10

Dragon Club

Booking Forms are now available for May Half Term which can be collected from Dragon Club. Forms for the Summer Holiday will be issued shortly. In addition, there is now a mobile phone just for Dragon Club use. The number is 07493 934369.

Special Education Needs

Our next SENCo drop-in session will take place on Tuesday 08 May from 9 am to 10.30 am (15 minute appointments). Any parents wishing to make an appointment with Mrs Griffiths can do so via the School Office.

Next Tuesday morning sees the next of our parent workshop from 9 am to 11 am. This time Melissa Hutchings is focussing on understanding sensory processing and how it can affect children with SEND. Once again, any parents wishing to attend, should reserve a place via the school office.

Happy School Bags

I am pleased to advise that 121 kilos were collected before our Easter break, which has given the school £72.60. Thank you to everyone who donated their unwanted items. Another collection will now be arranged for the summer term.

Easter Hampers

Thank you to all who purchased Raffle Tickets. In total we raised £265. The drawing of the raffle caused a great deal of excitement on the last day of term and I'm sure this will be an annual event on our school calendar. Class 3 sold most tickets and as a result were awarded a Golden Dragon Eggs and a packet of chocolate eggs each.

Mrs E Parish

Associate Headteacher

Class	Hamper Winner	Hamper Runner Up	Egg Winner		
One	Matei Olteanu	Evie Hooper	Jessica Lambourne		
Two	Alex Feltham	Aleigha Terry	Brandon Bowley		
Three	Theo Josling	Florence Chalk	Harley Rogers		
Four	Angela Santos	Keira Sproule	Connor Davies		
Five	Alfie Mabey	Alfie Mabey	Layla-Skye Taylor		
Six	Hansika Bolli	Rakshna Jeyaseelan	Rakshna Jeyaseelan		
Seven	Charlie Annett	Ffion Pritchard	Kira-Mae Taylor		
Eight	Aiana Popa	Sheridan Family	Shreyan Ghosh		
Nine	Travis Boulton	Oliva Baic	Olivia Baic		
Ten	Ashley Claridge	Iness Popa	Sebastian Josling		
Eleven	Ethan Wilson	Carys Pritchard	Eloise Alty		
Family and Friends	April Peberdy (Mum of Bluebell and Poppy Bradfield)		Ray Bassett (Grandparent of Olivia Baic)		
Craft	Mrs Down (Lunchtime Controller)		Joshua Whorton		
Staff	Miss Penman		Mrs Burton		
Guess Number of Eggs in the Hamper					
102 eggs – Malaina Maynard					