

## Newsletter

Spaxton CE VC Primary School

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

### Thoughts of an Acting Head Teacher

I hope you have all had a restful Easter break and are working through the mountains of chocolate that have piled up in various places around the house. I would like to say a thank you to PTFA who organised our Easter egg hunt before the break. The children really enjoyed themselves.

It is that time of year where the word 'SATs' can be heard in various parts of the school. It is a busy time and a lot of hard work will be put in before the term is over. Our value for this half term is 'Endurance and Perseverance'. This, whilst sounding very grand, is a poignant message. We always encourage our children to do their best whilst keeping an eye on their emotional wellbeing.

Let's hope that the sun will break through soon and we can open up the field again. There is nothing more cheering than seeing the children enjoying all of that open space.

Wishing for the sun,

Mr L Kelly

#### Dates for the diary:

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Respect and teamwork assembly from Pro-coaching

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Patrick in for assembly

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April - 4.30pm online safety at Enmore School

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May - 2.45pm Family First Church Service

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - BANK HOLIDAY

Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 SATs week

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Mike Strange assembly

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - FS and Yr6 Weight/height measuring

#### Sports clubs

Emails have recently gone out about this terms sports clubs. There will be cricket/rounders for Yr 1 - 6 on Monday and athletics for Receptions - Yr 6 on Wednesday. Please follow the

link on the email as there is a discount for early bookers.



The children from Miller Class were exceptionally behaved and learnt a lot from their exit point from 'Protecting the Oceans'.

#### School uniforms

I know it isn't looking likely for a while, but the weather could brighten any day. If it does get hotter, the children have a tendency to shed layers around the school so could we please check that name labels haven't faded away in the children's school uniforms. We try our best to reunite lost items but also encourage the children to take responsibility to keep track of their possessions.

#### **Safeguarding Update**

*The NSPCC has released figures from research looking at the views of children and young people on their confidence, knowledge and understanding of online safety. Following a survey of 1,696 children and young people across the UK, findings show 1,380 (4 out of 5) said social media sites need to do more to protect them from inappropriate or harmful content; ASKfm, Omegle, IMVU, and Facebook were rated as some of the most risky sites; children reported coming across self-harm, bullying and hatred on social media sites.*

Please have a look at the posters around school advertising a free training session for KS2 parents on 30<sup>th</sup> April at 4.30pm-6pm at Enmore School, which looks at protecting our children but also teaching them how to use social media in a positive way.