

Sprowston Junior - September News

6th September, 2019



Welcome back to another school year! I hope all the year 3 children have really enjoyed the first few days at junior school and the children in the other years have enjoyed their first few days too!

We look forward to a brilliant year and the first few days have been excellent across the school.

Thank you for bearing with us regarding our phone lines and school online systems. The lightning strike caused thousands of pounds worth of damage to the school and we are still finding problems and issues.

Matt Walton - Headteacher

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

We are recognising the wonderful work Clic Sergeant do for childhood cancer again this month by dressing in any yellow the children have on Friday 27th September. Donations of £1 or more towards the charity are welcome but entirely voluntary.

Information Afternoons (Yrs 4-6)

We have our information afternoons next week. This gives you an opportunity to meet the year group teachers, hear a little about the year ahead and to ask any specific questions you have.

Parents' Evenings

Once again, we will be having 3 Parents' Evenings across the year. We will be having an afternoon Parents' Evening in October to see how your child has settled, followed by afternoon and evening parents' evenings in January and April (after the autumn term and spring term respectively). The exception to this will be the Year 6 Spring Parents' Evenings, which will be held in March and not April. As always, if you feel there is something you wish to discuss in detail, please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher at any time.

School Development

We are once again reflecting on school improvement as we begin another school year. Our aim is to ensure that the 'whole curriculum' provided for the children across all four years is enjoyable and sets them up well both academically and as respectful members of the community. You will find overviews for each year group on the school website and app. Children will also be bringing home 'Knowledge Organisers' with key learning facts for particular topics that we hope they will enjoy discussing with you.

Diary Dates

Mon 9th Sept	Year 4 Parents' Information Session - 2:30pm
Tue 10th Sept	Year 6 Parents' Information Session - 2:30pm
Wed 11th Sept	Year 5 Parents' Information Session @ 2:30pm
Mon 16th Sept	Clubs begin this week.
Thur 19th Sept	Year 6 - Gressenhall - WW2 Evacuee Day
Tue 24th Sept	Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement (am)
Wed 25th Sept	Coffee morning - 9am & Friends' AGM (9:40am) all welcome
Thur 26th Sept	Year 3 Welcome Cafe - 9am
Fri 27th Sept	C.C.A.M - non-non-uniform (yellow if possible)
Sat 28th Sept	Year 6 Korfball tournament @ CNS (1:30pm)
Wed 2nd Oct	Caythorpe Parent Meeting (Yr 5) 6pm
Fri 4th Oct	Cross Country Race @ Sprowston Junior - 2pm
Tue 8th Oct	Year 3 Parent Lunch - letter to follow
Wed 9th Oct	Year 5 at Caythorpe Court
Mon 14th Oct	Individual photographs
Mon 14th Oct	Parents' Evening - 3:30pm - 5pm
Tue 15th Oct	Parents' Evening - 3:30pm - 5pm

Sprowston Snippets!

- We are once again participating in the Children's University scheme. A letter will follow with information of how to join if your child doesn't currently participate.
- In the mornings, the first buzzer goes at 8:45am, this gives children time to walk into school and sort themselves out before the second buzzer at 8:50am. We would please ask that children are in school by 8:50am so they are ready to start their school day on time.
- We would ask that chocolate bars and sweets are not sent into school for break or lunch time. Chocolate biscuit bars are acceptable.
- We welcome children cycling or scootering to school but would ask that all scooters and cycles are walked in the school playground. We also strongly encourage all children to wear a cycle helmet whilst they are cycling.
- Please note a change of date for the Friends' AGM and coffee morning. It is now on Wednesday 25th Sept @ 9:00am in the school library. Any donations will still be given to Macmillan. Any donations of cakes welcome.
- Children shouldn't be wearing any make-up or nail varnish to school. We allow small stud earrings or similar but please no hooped earrings or jewellery.
- Our first 8 Week Plan this year is going to be on 'Cooperative Learning'. This is an area we have worked hard on over the past couple of years and we feel it is time once more to focus on the positives that working cooperatively bring.
- Please see the school website for a copy of the school's Data Protection Notice and Data Protection Policy.
- Please note we are a peanut free school and would ask that no food items containing peanuts are brought into school for break or lunchtimes.

