

Sprowston Junior - March News

6th March, 2020



The evenings are starting to become lighter and fingers crossed we are over the worst of this year's harsh winter weather. It is lovely to reach this part of the term as it coincides with Nicola Harrison returning to work with groups of Year 4 children out in our garden area; the children will start sorting the vegetable beds in order to grow a range of produce through the spring time.

We cannot get away from the worries surrounding the Coronavirus at the moment. In school we have and will continue to promote good self-hygiene. Please do let us know if you have any queries about this.

A thank you to all for your support this week. I've seen some brilliant costumes today and we were delighted with the range of cakes we had donated yesterday.

Kind regards

Matt Walton
Headteacher

Book Week

We've had a lot of fun this week! The children have loved the secret readers visiting classrooms and they've also enjoyed the reading activities in class. Many children have shared how well they are doing in their fund-raising and the support for the cake sale was fantastic! Thank you to staff and parents for all the baking and I hope you enjoyed the cakes you purchased!

All the money this week will go towards our library fund. The library will soon be re-painted and with the money already raised, we hope to start our library improvements from the start of the summer term. We hope the library make-over will be completed by September.



Diary Dates

Mon 9th March	Yr 5 Korfball tournament @ UEA - 1:20pm
Wed 11th March	Championship Trophy on show (Lunchtime)
Fri March 13th	Sports Relief
Fri 13th March	Chloe Smith MP visiting Year 4 (am)
Fri 13th March	Cross Country @ Old Catton - 2pm
Sat 14th March	Yr 3 Korfball tournament - 1:30pm
Mon 16th March	Friends' Mother's Day Shop (am)
Wed 18th March	Year 5 Maths Challenge - selected children
Wed 18th March	Year 6 Family Lunch
Thur 19th March	Year 4 visiting Catton Park
Thur 19th March	Yr 6 Maths Challenge - selected children
Fri 20th March	5I visiting Sprowston Academy (Science)
Sat 21st March	Yr 4 korfball tournament - 1:30pm
Wed 25th March	Welcome Morning - 8:50 - 9:20am
Mon 30th March	Sculptures Launch event (am) - selected children to attend
Wed 1st April	End of term @ 3:15pm

Blogging

Our 8 Week Plan after Easter will be a blogging project that we hope will support improved writing skills across the school. We have purchased a set of chrome books to support the project and what we hope will be successful blogging well beyond the project. Mr Brown will be leading on it and every class will have their own blogging page. More information soon!

Cross Country

We were delighted that Sebastian Moffat, Emily Doran and Ashton Strowger performed superbly in the Norfolk Games Cross Country finals with Seb winning the Year 4 event, Emily coming second in the Year 5 event and Ashton coming a very respectable 18th. An amazing effort! We are very proud of you!

Calling all Football fans!

Next week we are delighted to say that we will have the EFL Championship trophy in school that Norwich City won, as they achieved promotion back to the Premier League last May. The children will have the opportunity to have their picture taken with the trophy. The children will be allowed to use a mobile phone or camera to have a picture taken but all phones or cameras MUST be handed in at the start of the day. A thank you to school governor Mr Richardson for arranging this wonderful opportunity.

Governors' Questionnaire 2020

The governors will soon be asking for your views about the school which they do on a biennial basis. Please look out for an email.

Sprowston Snippets!

- The staff and children have really enjoyed creating the shark and penguin plastic sculptures and they look fantastic!
- The Year 6 Korfbal team did well in the competition last week, eventually finishing in 4th position. Well done to the whole team
- Next Friday is Sport Relief. We always enjoy supporting Comic & Sports Relief and we will be having a non-uniform day next week (50p voluntary contributions) with children encouraged to wear sports clothing. During the day we will have some opportunities for children to take part in sport, including a few games at lunchtimes.
- Breakfast club will be continuing into the summer term. Thank you to those of you who replied to our recent letter asking for views on Breakfast/After school clubs. We will be sharing the views with the Governors and will feedback to parents/ carers after we have done so.
- 'Anon Foodbank' visited the school recently to tell the children about the good work they do in the city to help the homeless. If anyone has donations of tins, gloves, scarves, hats, blankets or socks, we are happy to pass them on. Please leave at reception.
- We are still collecting 'Plant to Plate' tokens and would appreciate any more tokens that you or your family members have to improve our overall total. Please hand in at the school office.
- Our cross country team finish their league season next week at Old Catton. The boys are on course for an excellent 5th place and the girls for a super 6th place in the league - the best we've achieved for a while. Congratulations to the following children for their effort and attitude over the season: Seb M, Ashton S, Lee W, Finan B, Archie C, Harry S, Spencer H, Amelia H, Sophie L, Chloe B, Emily D, Grace, D, Fiona P, Izzy L, Saffron B & Megan K
- Please take note of the following important dates in April:
 - **Monday 20th April - Summer term begins**
 - **Monday 27th April - Year 3, 4 & 5 Parents' Evening (3:30-6pm)**
 - **Wednesday 29th April - Years 3, 4 & 5 Parents' Evening (5-7:30pm)**