

Chairs page



Governors attending the sports day and family picnic.
Congratulations to the Green Finches on winning the Sports Day Trophy.



Dear parents and carers,

We have almost reached the end of another fantastic year and the summer holidays are in sight but the school is still a hive of activity, with class transitions for next year, and the all important rehearsals for the year 2's leavers assembly.

Infact, we will be saying a fond farewell to one of the largest year groups the school has seen for some time, 48 of our energetic, enthusiastic and determined children are more than ready for their journey to junior school and we wish them every success.

We will also be saying goodbye to Mr Harvey, Mrs Harper, Mrs Patterson and Miss Bevan and I hope you will join me in thanking them for everything they have done for the school during their time with us.

I would also like to thank the Friends of Spixworth Infant School, all of whom will step down at the end of this year as their children leave the school.

With government funding to schools being tighter than ever, the support of the friends

committee enables us to provide educational and recreational facilities over and above those available from LA funding alone.

Special thanks also goes to you, our families for supporting these events and the school. Without parent support, some of the experiences offered by the school could not take place .

To give you some idea of how every penny really does count, I have included overleaf some information from our last accounting period.

The final full governors meeting will take place on Thursday, 19th July, after which the annual governance statement will be published on the school website, detailing all the work which we have done throughout the last year.

That leaves me in wishing you all a fantastic summer and I look forward in welcoming families, old and new, back to school on 5 September.

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- SEND

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- Values & aims

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- Safeguarding & attendance

- EYFS

Kerry Goodhew

- Curriculum

- Core subjects

Governor appointments, resignations and vacancies

Mrs Kidd has reached the end of her 4 year term as staff governor, well done Mrs Kidd for making it to the end!

Elections will be held in September to fill this vacancy and will be voted in by staff.

We have 4 other vacancies on the Governing Body, 3 of which are for co-opted governors.

These are people who, in our opinion, share our interest in the performance and direction of the school with the motivation, desire, willingness and skill to contribute towards the continuing improvement of the school.

Co-opted governors are appointed by the governing body.

Full training is provided .

If you or anyone you know would be interested in joining the governing body, please contact either the chair of governors or the school office:

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Finance

Local Authority Funding

Funding from County is a formula based calculation determined by pupil numbers. A basic entitlement per pupil is received and some additional funding for vulnerable groups. As a small infant school, a large proportion of LA funding is consumed by the running costs of the school. In order to deliver the high quality, broad and enriched learning experiences we offer our children, we therefore rely on additional funding, some of which are mentioned below:

PE and Sports Premium

Schools receive PE & Sports funding from the government in order to develop or improve sports activities already on offer or to build capacity and capability within the school to ensure improvements made will benefit the children in school now and in the future.

In 2017-18, Spixworth Infant School received £13,271 of government funding.

Our largest expense in 2017-18 was the redevelopment of the club room into a fully functioning cookery room for the children, enabling us to offer cookery as part of our enriched curriculum.

We have also invested in our staff, with one member already achieving a PE specific qualification, others have attended training in outdoor first aid and PE and sports specific workshops to compliment the team.

The additional funding has also enabled us to take groups of children to cluster sporting events, whereby they get a taste for competitive games against other schools, whilst trying out new sports such as golf, cricket and

Pupil Premium Funding

The school receives pupil premium funding for each qualifying child in school on census day. If qualifying families join the school after census day, additional funding is not received. Total pupil premium funding received in 2017-18 was £15,680.

These funds are used to meet the cost of school trips and after school clubs for qualifying children, a proportion of app subscription costs and a small amount of staffing costs for qualified teacher led interventions and nurture groups for those children.

Child whispering resources and a workshop for parents with the founder, Sandy Kennedy, was also paid for, in part, from pupil premium funding.

We were also able to use a proportion of the pupil premium funding to contribute towards the cookery room.

Funding for SEN

Funding to support children with special educational needs within our schools comes partly from the government, with top-up funding from the Spixworth & Sprowston Cluster.

For 2017-18 we received additional top up funding from cluster applications of £9,083.

With this additional funding we can ensure the school and our curriculum is accessible to children with a whole range of special educational needs.

Learning together, Achieving together
Our aim is to enable every child to Shine

Friends of Spixworth Infant School

During 2017-18, the school received £5,225 in donations from the Friends of Spixworth Infant School. This money went towards:

£5,000 toward the all weather surface and multi-sports goal.

£122 towards cafe supplies and refreshments.

£63 towards stationery supplies for the children.

£40 towards children's university passport costs (the Friends met half the cost of a passport for every child who enrolled).

On top of this, the Friends met the full cost of our participation in the gogocreate learning programme, running in conjunction with the gogohares trail taking place across Norwich this summer. 164 schools/ organisations have taken part in the gogocreate project on behalf of Break and our leveret, Jumping Jack, can be found on the Intu Chapelfield dining terrace. Do be sure to track him down between now and 2 September and share your pictures with us.



Jumping Jack, created by the children as part of the gogocreate learning programme.

The Key information section of the school website includes more information of the funding we receive and how these are being used to improve our school.