



Headteachers' Bulletin

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the last half of the Summer Term! This half term the whole school topic is Fly High. The children will explore flight from crane flies to kites, aeroplanes to acrobats and by the end of the term, their own flights to the next stage in their learning. With 8 weeks of fun-filled learning ahead, please keep an eye on the diary and also on the weather! We are outside as often as possible so rain jackets, sun hats and sun cream as needed. Thank you.



Special Agents!

Congratulations to all of our Year 2 children who completed their Special Agent Tests (SATs) in May. All staff are extremely proud of the mature attitudes to learning that our children showed throughout this work. The information gained from these tests will form part of the class teachers' final assessments of the year and will be shared with parents via the end of year reports.



Outdoor Activity

Thanks to money raised by the Friends, the National Lottery and our School Sports Grant, our playground now has fantastic markings and our trim trail will have 4 new pieces of equipment next week!



Monster Maths

Thank you for coming to our Monster Maths day at the end of last half term. For anyone who missed it, Mrs Heley's presentation is now available on our website.



School Matters!



Attendance

Our target is 96%. Results for May:

Beech Class: 96.2%

Oak Class: 98.4%

Maple Class: 97.5%

Sycamore Class: 96.8%

Congratulations Oak class!



Friends

The Friends of Spixworth Infant School have been working hard all year and are set for a very busy last half term. Please continue to support the Friends events in any way you can – vital funding is raised that makes a real difference to our school and the children's experience here.

Transition



Supporting the move to a new year group, new classroom or a new school becomes a priority this half term. These transitions are planned carefully and all children will be supported to feel as confident and comfortable with the changes as possible. Our current Reception and Year 1 children will have many informal opportunities to engage with their next year group across this half term as well as specific transition mornings. Key dates for all year group transition events have already been shared (if you missed these, please check our school website.) Most children will be a little nervous about change but will also feel excited too. If you are concerned about how your child may cope or they are more anxious than you expect, please do speak to your child's class teacher so we can work together to make this a positive time.

A Flying Visitor!



To further support our Fly High topic, we are very excited that Mr Anderson (Joseph's dad) will be visiting on Monday 17th June. Working for the RAF and as a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) ambassador we can't wait to learn more!

Classes 2019-20

Our pupil numbers are slightly different every year. Our class planning responds to this. In 2019-20 we will have four classes. These will be: Beech YR, Oak YR/1, Maple Y1/2 and Sycamore Y2. Children will be in the class that we feel will best meet their individual needs. All classes will include a mix of abilities, ages and friendship groups.

A letter confirming which class your child will be in will be coming out in the next few weeks.



General Reminders



Please park considerately. Doing so makes our school and the surrounding area safer for everyone. The school car park is for staff only. The car park opposite is for residents only.



We are outside in most weathers. Please make sure your child has a named jacket, wellies, water bottle and sun hat in school every day.



- If any of your details or circumstances have changed, please let us know so our records are kept up-to-date.



- Children may play on the all-weather surface before/after school but may not play on the equipment or in the garden or forest school area

Safeguarding



From screaming in the supermarket to a meltdown at mealtime, children's behaviour can be challenging! The NSPCC has a great page of information called Take 5. Take a look:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/take-five/>

Key Summer Term Dates

Sharing Afternoon: 4th June

Year 1 Statutory Phonic Screening Period: 10th – 14th June

Parent/Teacher Meetings RECEPTION AND YEAR 1 ONLY: 7th, 10th, 11th, 12th June

Sports Morning and Picnic: 2nd July

Open Evening: 4th July

Whole School visit to the circus: 10th July

Reports to Parents: 11th July (one day later than previously stated due to circus visit)

Year 2 Gymnastics event: 11th July

Reception Moving Up Concert: 17th July

Year 1 Moving Up Concert: 18th July

Year 2 Moving On Concert: 19th July



School closes for Summer 3.15pm Wednesday 24th July
School re-opens for the new academic year: Wednesday 4th September