



# SPENNITHORNE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parent, Carers and Friends

## AVAILABILITY

As it currently stands, I will be in school all day on Tuesday and Wednesday. I am off site on Friday at a Special Needs Meeting.

## PURPLE MASH

Yesterday, the staff undertook training with a new computer system we have purchased called Purple Mash. Over the next week, the children will be coming home with a username and password for the new system which can be accessed from home as well as school.

I am hoping to hold a Parents Information evening about this in the near future so that you can utilise it at home. In the future too, I am hoping that sometimes homework can be set on it when applicable.

There is even a specially designed area for those children in EYFS.

Please keep a look out in your child's reading record for their password. It is tablet friendly too.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our school council has had their first meeting and we have decided to spend our time thinking of others and raising money for worthy causes. The council chose 3 local charities and on taking this to the other children, this year, we have decided to support The Great North Air Ambulance.

The events being held this year are as follows

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Pyjama day (£1 donation)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Coffee and Mince pies

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas jumper day (£1 donation)

Over the course of the year, they will be holding these different events and at the end of the school year, we will hopefully present a cheque to the charity.

## CINEMA

As part of National Film Day, as a whole school, we will be attending the Empire Cinema on Wednesday morning to enjoy the film 'Charlie Brown'. Children do not need

to bring anything and it is normal school uniform. We will return to school for a late lunch.

## CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.

For 'Children in Need', the theme this year is 'Be Spotacular'. We are asking the children to come to school in anything spotty instead of school uniform for a donation of £1.

## RABBITS CLASS

Please could Miss Williams have any unwanted toys and dressing up clothes with a 'winter wonderland' theme. For example polar bears, penguins, 'Frozen' items and Christmas/Santa items.

## FOXES CLASS

Please could Mrs. Kirkpatrick have a medium sized cardboard box for each child and also any extra boxes you may have.

Also she needs some photos taken at various different times of year to include in a calendar the Foxes are making to sell as part of the Wensleydale Rotary Club 'Business Challenge'. Ideally these photos need to be attached to an e-mail to school, [admin@spennithorne.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@spennithorne.n-yorks.sch.uk)

## POPPY APPEAL

We have a collection box at school with poppies for your donations. There is also a box of other poppy appeal items which can be purchased – prices as below:

Friendship Bracelets and Slap Rulers both @ £1 each

Wristbands and Reflectors both @ 50p. each

## TESCO UNIFORM

You can purchase school uniform by using the link on the website or visiting [www.tesco.com/ues](http://www.tesco.com/ues)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov - Christmas Fayre at Harmby Village Hall

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec – Clubs end

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Pyjama day

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas production (2pm and 6pm)

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas production (6pm)

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas lunch/Christmas jumper day

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas party

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas treat (am) and Christmas service 2.30pm



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## WRITER OF THE WEEK

This week's, the following writers have been recognised:

Foxes: - Evie H. for super handwriting.

Rabbits: - Freddie F. for trying really hard with handwriting and editing his work.

## MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK

This week, the following mathematicians have been recognised:

Foxes: - Archie K. for very good multiplying by 20, 30 and 40

Rabbits: - Jack C. for completing some challenging place value work and for persevering.

## CHURCH AND VILLAGE NEWS

The library is open at Spennithorne Church on the following days:

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month 10.00/12 noon.

## PARENT VIEW

If you would like to share your views about our school with OFSTED, please use the following website:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Letters sent home this week:

Georgian Theatre art competition and photo offer

Stagecoach at Northallerton – 'Have a go day'