



# SPENNITHORNE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

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Dear Parent, Carers and Friends

## AVAILABILITY

**I will be in school on Tuesday morning, Wednesday and Friday afternoon.**

## SPONSORED WALK

If your child gained some sponsors for our walk just before Easter, please send any monies into school (not through School Money).

## SATS TESTS

Next week, the children will sit their Year 6 SATs tests. We wish them well as they have worked very hard, ably assisted by Mrs Bowkett and Mrs Dooley. I know they will do their best and that is all we can ask.

Make sure the children are well rested for the week ahead which is going to be challenging, that they get to bed on time, that they have breakfast before school and turn up on time. Staring at a tablet before coming to school might not be the stimulation they need next week; maybe a brisk walk instead?

As we are all aware, schools are judged through OFSTED by results and of course we want the children to do well.

However at Spennithorne, we are proud of our children as actors, musicians, historians, scientists, sports men and women, geographers, artists, thinkers, carers and global citizens as well as readers, writers and mathematicians.

## SPORTS EVENTS

There are many school sports events coming up this term, which we will inform you of through our newsletter. Last week, some year 3 and 4 children attended a swimming gala at Richmond pool and performed well alongside other small schools. We also have an EYFS/KS1 fun run on 16<sup>th</sup> May and a rescheduled Yr 4 orienteering day on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

## MARRICK PRIORY

If you need another copy of the recommended kit list for Marrick, please see Mrs Ramsay. We head off on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

## BOLTON CASTLE

We are taking the whole school on a trip to Bolton Castle in June linked to their study of 'The Dales'. A letter will be coming out next week. Payment will be via schoolmoney.

## DALES PHOTOGRAPHY

All children will be heading to Crakehall on Wednesday afternoon to listen to a talk from a local Dales photographer about this work, starting off a photography competition across both schools. We will then use these photos as the basis of art work in other mediums. So, when you are out and about over the next few weeks, make sure you take a camera and get the children snapping. There will also be an online gallery for you to enjoy the children's art work.

Details will follow shortly.

## SCHOOL MONEY

If you are still experiencing problems with 'Schoolmoney', please let Mrs Ramsay know. We did send out new passwords and hopefully, this has alleviated any earlier difficulties.

## ZUMBA

Tuesdays - 6.16pm-school hall. Why not try it out?



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**PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

Last term, many of you kindly filled in the school's parent questionnaire. Below, please find a copy of the results. If anyone has any questions about this, I would be happy to answer them or offer further clarification.

**Spennithorne Annual Parent Questionnaire - Spring 2017**

1. What year group/s are your children in?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	EYFS						33.33%	5
2	Year 1						13.33%	2
3	Year 2						20.00%	3
4	Year 3						33.33%	5
5	Year 4						26.67%	4
6	Year 5						6.67%	1
7	Year 6						26.67%	4
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	6.13	Std. Deviation:	3.88	Satisfaction Rate:	75.56	answered	15
	Variance:	15.09	Std. Error:	1			skipped	1

2. Do you think the school has a good reputation in the community?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						100.00%	14
2	No						0.00%	0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	Satisfaction Rate:	0	answered	14
	Variance:	0	Std. Error:	0			skipped	2



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**3. Do you think the school displays good values and attitudes?**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					93.33%	14	
2	No					6.67%	1	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.25	Satisfaction Rate:	6.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.06	Std. Error:	0.06			skipped	1

**4. Does your child or do your children like coming to school?**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					87.50%	14	
2	No					12.50%	2	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.12	Std. Deviation:	0.33	Satisfaction Rate:	12.5	answered	16
	Variance:	0.11	Std. Error:	0.08			skipped	0

**5. Are you made to feel welcome when you visit or telephone the school?**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					93.33%	14	
2	No					6.67%	1	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.25	Satisfaction Rate:	6.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.06	Std. Error:	0.06			skipped	1




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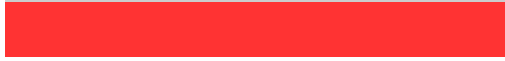

**6. Do you think the school has a warm and friendly atmosphere?**

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		100.00% 15
2	No		0.00% 0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean: 1	Std. Deviation: 0	Satisfaction Rate: 0
	Variance: 0	Std. Error: 0	
			answered 15
			skipped 1

**7. Do you think staff are friendly, helpful and approachable?**

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		92.86% 13
2	No		7.14% 1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean: 1.07	Std. Deviation: 0.26	Satisfaction Rate: 7.14
	Variance: 0.07	Std. Error: 0.07	
			answered 14
			skipped 2

**8. Do you feel the school offers an 'open door' policy so that any concerns that you might have are dealt with?**

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		87.50% 14
2	No		12.50% 2
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean: 1.12	Std. Deviation: 0.33	Satisfaction Rate: 12.5
	Variance: 0.11	Std. Error: 0.08	
			answered 16
			skipped 0



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9. Do you think the school offers a broad and balanced curriculum?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						92.86%	13
2	No						7.14%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2

10. Does your child or do your children enjoy the learning experience that the school offers?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						93.33%	14
2	No						6.67%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.25	Satisfaction Rate:	6.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.06	Std. Error:	0.06			skipped	1
Comments: (3)								

11. Do you think the quality of teaching is of a high standard?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						86.67%	13
2	No						13.33%	2
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.13	Std. Deviation:	0.34	Satisfaction Rate:	13.33	answered	15
	Variance:	0.12	Std. Error:	0.09			skipped	1



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**11. Do you think the quality of teaching is of a high standard?**

			Response Percent	Response Total
Comments: (1)				
1	<a href="#">05/03/17 11:35AM</a> <a href="#">ID: 53463861</a>	Current teachers are excellent		

**12. Is your child or are your children encouraged to work to his/her/their full potential?**

			Response Percent	Response Total				
1	Yes		92.86%	13				
2	No		7.14%	1				
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2

**13. If your child/ren have additional needs, do you think they are well catered for?**

			Response Percent	Response Total				
1	Yes		20.00%	3				
2	No		6.67%	1				
3	Not applicable		73.33%	11				
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	2.53	Std. Deviation:	0.81	Satisfaction Rate:	76.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.65	Std. Error:	0.21			skipped	1



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**14. Do you think that the Parent-Teacher Consultations keep you up to date with the progress of your child/ren?**

							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						86.67%	13
2	No						13.33%	2
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.13	Std. Deviation:	0.34	Satisfaction Rate:	13.33	answered	15
	Variance:	0.12	Std. Error:	0.09			skipped	1

**15. Do you think the Parent-Teacher Consultations could be improved or organised in a different way?**

							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						14.29%	2
2	No						85.71%	12
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.86	Std. Deviation:	0.35	Satisfaction Rate:	85.71	answered	14
	Variance:	0.12	Std. Error:	0.09			skipped	2

Comments: (0)

**16. Are you happy with the amount of homework your child/ren receives?**

							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						62.50%	10
2	No						37.50%	6
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.38	Std. Deviation:	0.48	Satisfaction Rate:	37.5	answered	16
	Variance:	0.23	Std. Error:	0.12			skipped	0



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17. How do you feel the updated spelling system is working?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Working very well						16.67%	1
2	Working well						66.67%	4
3	It's OK						0.00%	0
4	Not working well						16.67%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	2.17	Std. Deviation:	0.9	Satisfaction Rate:	38.89	answered	6
	Variance:	0.81	Std. Error:	0.37			skipped	10

18. Do you think the Annual School Report gives a full and accurate record of your child's/children's progress?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						92.86%	13
2	No						7.14%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2
Comments: (0)								

19. Are you satisfied with the content of the newsletter?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						100.00%	15





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## 19. Are you satisfied with the content of the newsletter?

						Response Percent	Response Total	
2	No						0.00%	0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	Satisfaction Rate:	0	answered	15
	Variance:	0	Std. Error:	0			skipped	1

## 20. Did you use and /or refer to the annual dates sheet handed out at the beginning of term?

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes						100.00%	15
2	No						0.00%	0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	Satisfaction Rate:	0	answered	15
	Variance:	0	Std. Error:	0			skipped	1
Comments: (0)								

## 21. Do you think teachers are able to deal with bad behaviour effectively?

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes						92.86%	13
2	No						7.14%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2



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22. Do you think there is a respectful and trustworthy relationship between pupils and teachers?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						92.86%	13
2	No						7.14%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2

23. Does the school work hard to promote respect amongst its pupils?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						100.00%	14
2	No						0.00%	0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	Satisfaction Rate:	0	answered	14
	Variance:	0	Std. Error:	0			skipped	2

24. Do you think the school is well led by staff and governors?							Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes						92.86%	13
2	No						7.14%	1
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.26	Satisfaction Rate:	7.14	answered	14
	Variance:	0.07	Std. Error:	0.07			skipped	2




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**25. Do you think the lines of communication between home and school are good?**

					Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes				100.00%	14
2	No				0.00%	0
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	answered	14
	Variance:	0	Std. Error:	0		
					Satisfaction Rate:	0

**26. Do you send your child here because it is the local school or because it is a Church of England school?**

					Response Percent	Response Total
1	Local				56.25%	9
2	Church of England				12.50%	2
3	Other reason				31.25%	5
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.75	Std. Deviation:	0.9	answered	16
	Variance:	0.81	Std. Error:	0.23		
					Satisfaction Rate:	37.5

**27. We have had our agreed Christian values for 4 years and we would like to update them again and see if they need changing. We will do this with staff, teachers, governors and other stakeholders. If you could choose 4 that you feel are important to you and your child/ren, what would they be?**

					Response Percent	Response Total
1	Friendship				66.67%	4
2	Thankfulness				33.33%	2
3	Humility				16.67%	1









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						Response Percent	Response Total	
4	Endurance					33.33%	2	
5	Compassion					83.33%	5	
6	Peace					0.00%	0	
7	Forgiveness					0.00%	0	
8	Justice					0.00%	0	
9	Koinonia ( working together or working in union)					33.33%	2	
10	Service					0.00%	0	
11	Trust					100.00%	6	
12	Hope					33.33%	2	
13	Reverence					16.67%	1	
14	Wisdom					0.00%	0	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	27.5	Std. Deviation:	43.5	Satisfaction Rate:	179.49	answered	6
	Variance:	1892.38	Std. Error:	17.76			skipped	10

**28. How could we improve our standing as a church school? Please comment below or select 'don't know'.**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Don't know					100.00%	16	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1	Std. Deviation:	0	Satisfaction Rate:	0	answered	16



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**28. How could we improve our standing as a church school? Please comment below or select 'don't know'.**

				Response Percent	Response Total
Variance: 0 Std. Error: 0				skipped	0

**29. If you are a parent of a child in the FS class (first year of school), did you feel fully informed with regards to your child starting school?**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					33.33%	5	
2	No					0.00%	0	
3	Not applicable					66.67%	10	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	2.33	Std. Deviation:	0.94	Satisfaction Rate:	66.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.89	Std. Error:	0.24			skipped	1

**30. If you are a parent of a child in Year 6, do you feel the school is starting to prepare your child for their SATs tests and the next stage of their education?**

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					33.33%	5	
2	No					0.00%	0	
3	Not applicable					66.67%	10	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	2.33	Std. Deviation:	0.94	Satisfaction Rate:	66.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.89	Std. Error:	0.24			skipped	1

Comments: (0)



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## 31. How satisfied are you with Spennithorne CE Primary School?

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Very Dissatisfied					0.00%	0	
2	Dissatisfied					6.25%	1	
3	Neutral					12.50%	2	
4	Satisfied					12.50%	2	
5	Very Satisfied					68.75%	11	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	4.44	Std. Deviation:	0.93	Satisfaction Rate:	85.94	answered	16
	Variance:	0.87	Std. Error:	0.23			skipped	0

## 32. If you wish, what are the strengths of Spennithorne CE Primary School?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	9
1	<a href="#">17/02/17 6:21PM</a> <a href="#">ID: 52638307</a>	It's a very warm and friendly school with very approachable teachers where learning is made fun and children really want to be there.		
2	<a href="#">05/03/17 11:35AM</a> <a href="#">ID: 53463861</a>	Current teaching and teaching assistant staff are excellent		
3	<a href="#">05/03/17 8:34PM</a> <a href="#">ID: 53477672</a>	Staff, the stability that we now have is a strength. The "family" and sense of belonging of all the children. Behaviour of the children.		
4	<a href="#">07/03/17 1:56PM</a> <a href="#">ID: 53591847</a>	** ***** is a wonderful teacher who does her absolute best for all the years she teaches. She is approachable and listens to concerns and tries to find a solution suitable for all involved, *****		
			answered	9
			skipped	7



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## 33. If you wish, in your opinion, what are the areas of development for Spennithorne CE Primary School?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	7
1	<a href="#">21/07/16 9:22AM</a> ID: 41829035	More school trips to enhance learning.		
2	<a href="#">21/07/16 9:33AM</a> ID: 41829640	To be able to give more children the chance to experience the great atmosphere & schooling that Spennithorne CE provides. Unfortunately more local family houses need to be built for this to happen to help the school boosts its admissions numbers .		
3	<a href="#">07/03/17 1:56PM</a> ID: 53591847	When a parent has concerns over their child's welfare they should be taken seriously and not be dismissed with a very childish response of writing a paragraph in the newsletter. My children's welfare is far more important than statistics.		
			answered	7
			skipped	9

## 34. Was this survey easy to use?

						Response Percent	Response Total	
1	Yes					93.33%	14	
2	No					6.67%	1	
<b>Analysis</b>	Mean:	1.07	Std. Deviation:	0.25	Satisfaction Rate:	6.67	answered	15
	Variance:	0.06	Std. Error:	0.06			skipped	1

## UNIFORM

Uniform is now available from both Tesco and now School Trends, in response to your requests. All uniform can be ordered online from either supplier.

<https://www.schooltrendsonline.com/uniform/SpennithorneCEPrimarySchoolIDL85PR>



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[www.tesco.com/ues](http://www.tesco.com/ues).

Both have hoodies on offer which I think are great for PE. A few children have them and they look amazing.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

W/C 8<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week  
W/C 15<sup>th</sup> May – Y5/6 Marrick Priory residential  
16<sup>th</sup> May – KS1 fun run  
23<sup>rd</sup> May – Y4 Orienteering at the Shawl, Leyburn  
W/C 29<sup>th</sup> May – HALF TERM  
5<sup>th</sup> June – School reopens  
9<sup>th</sup> June – Judo taster session  
W/C 12<sup>th</sup> June – Phonics screening week  
13<sup>th</sup> June – Fathers' Day Lunch  
15-16<sup>th</sup> June – Y3/4 Cote Ghyll Residential  
19<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Bikeability  
23<sup>rd</sup> June – Grandparents' lunch  
30<sup>th</sup> June – Middleham Castle Day  
30<sup>th</sup> June – Reports out  
3<sup>rd</sup> July – Sports Day  
5<sup>th</sup> July – Optional parents evening  
14<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 cluster sports  
21<sup>st</sup> July – Leavers service and last day of term

## **WRITER OF THE WEEK**

This week, the following writers have been recognised:

Foxes: - Kierra H. for a very interesting letter describing a seaside town, her choice being Whitby.

Rabbits: - Jack C. for good concentration through a long piece of writing.

## **MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK**

This week, the following mathematicians have been recognised:

Foxes: - Georgia W. for super work with fractions.

Rabbits: - Freddie F. for super subtraction.

## **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**

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