



Safeguarding Hotspot

Frustratingly, we find ourselves having to send a reminder about keeping your children safe online. The online game called **'Fortnite'** is not suitable for children under the age of 12.

Out of school online gaming problems are being brought to the attention of the school, with allegations of bullying being raised. Please continue to monitor and check what your children are accessing online. We thank you for your support.

We are a nut free school



Please remember that we have children and staff with severe nut allergies – **please do not** send your children into school with nuts.

Polite Request

We politely request that Parents / Carers and staff please park

considerately when parking in the park, as there has been reports of cars being damaged. Thank you for your support.

John Muir Discover Day with Kingfisher children



On Friday we started our journey through the fascinating wild life to our amazing camp. It was Discover Day. We played lots of games such as meet a tree and found out about lots of adventurers. We called ourselves animals of Britain. We lit fires with flint and steel and toasted marshmallows to make 'smores'. We each made a medal from wood using a saw, string and markers. We had so much fun, it was the best day ever!

Flipping Fantastic Pancake race in aid of Red Nose Day





Oh wow, what fun we had combining pancake flipping with PE whilst supporting Red Nose Day! Well, what a Flipping Fantastic Pancake Racing Day!

Not only did the children thoroughly enjoy it but we managed to raise £309.06 for 'Comic Relief!'

The Year 6 pupils were busy on the Monday making pancakes in groups. Then ALL children took part in the races earning house points for their team.

4th – Earth house with 245 points

3rd - Fire with 246 points

2nd - Water with 256 points

1st - Air with 264 points

As you can see it was very close, but Air had an extra play to celebrate on Monday!

Well done all and thank you very much for your support.

Our Eco Conference



On Tuesday 4th March some of the Eco Committee went on a trip to Spelthorne Council Offices. We went into the Council Chamber and met the Mayor of Spelthorne. We learnt a lot!

In the morning a Wastebuster called Katie told us about pollution and we made posters about it. She also told us what can be recycled and what can't. In the afternoon a man called Phil Williams told us that in 2050 we won't have any Rainforests as every second a tree is being cut down! We also got goodie bags! Inside these we got a bin sharpener made from recycled plastic, a pen recycled from card

board and a drink bottle made from metal. We also got an activity book that helped you to recycle.

Did you know you can't recycle black plastic because it's the same colour as the conveyer belt? They are trying to change this!

Did you know 800 times the amount of water in a plastic bottle is used to make it? This is bad for the environment as it wastes water and people don't have enough to drink.

Did you know that if we make school a plastic bottle free zone it would be better for the environment?

By Brooke, Maisie and Lilly

Spelthorne Youth Award

Do you know a special young person aged between 5 and 19 years who is living or receiving education within Spelthorne and deserves recognition for their achievements? You may wish to nominate them for a Spelthorne Youth Award!

We are looking for nominations for the following categories:

- outstanding academic achievement
- personal achievement
- community spirit

- triumph over adversity
- sports achievement
- unselfishness, kindness and bravery
- arts achievement (including performing arts)

Anyone can nominate a young person for an award. All young people nominated will be made aware of their nominations and then short listed for an award. The top nominees from each category will be invited to a special awards ceremony and presented with a certificate and prize from the Mayor of Spelthorne. The deadline for nominations this year is Friday 5 April 2019.

Nominations can be made online by completing the Spelthorne Youth Awards 2019 form at www.spelthorne.gov.uk/youthawards.

PTA News

Please collect Tesco blue tokens

The PTA have signed up to the Classlist app. Please download the app on your smart phone and join our school group.



The PTA have been selected to be in the Tesco bags for life scheme during March and April. We have the opportunity to be awarded £4,000 if we come first! This will enable us to purchase a second mini bus. Please make sure you collect as many of the blue tokens as possible and fill up our box! We will be in Tesco extra Ashford.

Our summer Fayre will be on Sunday 9th June. We are busy organising the event already! If you would like to be involved please get in touch with the PTA.

We are looking for donations of plants and seedlings for our gardening stall. If you are able to help, please sow some seeds now so they are ready to sell on the day.

We will be having an entertainment arena. If your child belongs to a group that would like to perform on the day please get in touch with

the PTA to enquire about a slot.

The PTA email address is: appspta@gmail.com

KS2 – Year 6 SATs

With the Easter holiday fast approaching, and with the KS2 SATs firmly in the diary, please find a useful website to support your children if they wanted to work through some examples.

<https://www.compare4kids.co.uk/sats-papers.php>

Please find the dates for the annual Year 6 SATs tests 2019:

MONDAY 13th May
English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (ESPaG)

TUESDAY 14th May
Reading

WEDNESDAY 15th May

Maths Paper 1
Maths Paper 2

THURSDAY 16th May
Maths Paper 3

Achievement

Interesting word of the week:

Discombobulated – *Confused and disconcerted.*

Pobble

The class Pobble authors for this week are:

Robin: Mohamed, Kyra, Isabella, Delilah, Josh, Bella, Siya, Taylor, Millie, Liberty, Ellie, Amelia, Holly and Beth.
Kingfisher: Nancy B

Spelling Shed

Top class - Hedgehog

Top spellers:

Hedgehog: Sophie
Squirrel: Michael and Kalem

MAC – Making Attendance Count

Whole School Attendance 95.01%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Squirrel Class with 100%.

Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Swift Class with 98.3%. Fantastic!

Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

Nathaniel G, Veer K, Leon J, Kenzie R, Olivia H, Valentina S, Ted W, Saif A, Ellis B, Sofia U, Evie K, Georgia C, Marrio M, Savannah O, Jenson P, Gjemile P, Henry H, Mehtab S, Teddy W-H, Agamveer

C, Harry P, Katie W, Hannah T, Harry M, Tyler S, Anika A and Harley W.



INSET Days 2018/19

The planned INSET Days so far are as follows:

Wednesday 24th July 2019.

March

15th – French Day – special menu

19th – Year 4 Butser Farm trip

20th – Hedgehog Class Assembly at 2.30pm

22nd – Oliver Twist theatre production for whole school

27th – Squirrel Class Assembly at 2.30pm

27th - Reception Height & Weight Checks

27th – Year 2 & 6 SATs Information Evening in classrooms 3.30pm & 5.30pm

29th – Owl Class Assembly at 2.30pm

April

2nd – World Autism Day

5th – Break up for Easter at 2.00pm

23rd – Children return to school

26th – PTA Toy & Uniform Sale (second

hand) in the hall 3.15pm

May

3rd – MUFTI Day for British Enterprise, children to wear red, white and blue where possible

9th – Class photographs
10th – Year 4 Bikeability Training

W/beg 13th – Year 6 SATs week

W/beg 20th – Year 2 SATs week

21st – Happy Shoesday 2019

21st – Ultimate Adventure Meeting at 5.30pm

22nd – Reception Height & Weight Checks

24th – MUFTI Day for PTA Bottle Tombola

24th – Break up for half term, children finish at 3.15pm

27th – 31st Half term week

June

3rd– 7th Year 5 / 6 Ultimate Adventure Trip

7th – Cake donations for the Summer Fair would be appreciated

9th – PTA Summer Fair

10th – Year 1

Phonics Screening Week

10th – Year 3 trip to Butser Farm

12th – Reception trip to Kew Gardens

17th – New EYFS Induction & Story Time Dormouse