



BISPHAM
SPENCER ACADEMY

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Bispham Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I have been spending quite a bit of time going in and out of lessons to see the learning that is taking place. I have also been talking to pupils to gauge how they feel about their learning and what they can tell me about what they have been taught. After all, they are the people at the centre of everything we do.

I have been very pleased to find children so positive about what we do in school. Even better, they can articulate what they have learned and demonstrated an understanding of how their learning fits in with what they already know. By ensuring knowledge is fully embedded we can be confident that we send children up to secondary school ready to make the most of every opportunity they will get.

As a school principal it is important that I maintain contact with what is going on in classrooms and this is something I enjoy doing. Our pupils are our greatest asset and all Bispham staff want to do their very best for them. I believe we do this.

I don't often single a pupil out for praise but I must mention Aarav, in year 6. Last week, he gave a presentation to the whole school about the Hindu festival of Holi that took place March 14th. He spoke with confidence and humour and showed real talent as a speaker. Well done, we all really enjoyed it.

Andrea Goetzee
Principal

BFG Spring Disco

Thank you for all of your donations of chocolate and soft toys. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the event itself, next Friday.

Parent conference around SEN

My Senco, Mr Henshaw has asked me to share with you a conference aimed at parents of children with additional needs. It's on the 11th June. A flyer is attached to this bulletin.

Football at Bispham

To give children an equal opportunity to get fresh air and exercise, we only play football when the field is open. We have already had to make big changes due to the number of arguments that are occurring around it. Despite the changes these arguments have not stopped, so next week we will not have football. The arguments are generally more experienced players hogging the ball, not passing to others and ordering other players around. The break will allow me to establish the role of referee and quality assure the decisions they will be making. Once these are in place, football will resume but any future arguments may result in individual bans. Please talk to your children. Football in school is a fun kickabout and should not result in staff spending valuable teaching time sorting out arguments. Thank you.



Principal's Awards

Year 3	Dixie, Niya, Kira, Elizabeth
Year 4	Ivy H, Celeste, Zainab, Maxwell, Lilian, Kani
Year 5	Olive, Frances, Eleanor, Ava, Alfie, Millie, Pak Yin, Heather, Eden
Year 6	Ursula, Adam, Joshua, Jacob, Edye, Farha, Amun, Elizabeth, Betsy, William, Ken

Calendar

March	28 th Year 3 Easter event with Toton Churches 28 th BFG Spring Disco 31 st Year 3 matinee performance 1.30 pm
April	1 st Year 3 evening performance 6.00pm 4 th Behaviour Reward Afternoon and end of term 22 nd Back to school 24 th Book Bus to visit school
May	7 th Year 3 visit Sikh Gurdwara 8 th 80 th Anniversary of V.E. Day 9 th Year 4 visit Hindu Temple w/c 12 th SATs week

Cashless Payment Systems

As I am sure you are aware, the Squid system was withdrawn last Friday with very little notice. This came out of the blue and caused major disruption around the country. Mrs Fitch, in the school office, has been working flat out with Weduc to get the new system, Parent Pay, installed and working. It has taken some time, but I am pleased to say that everything is now in place and been tested and that from today you should be able to book meals and other services as you did in the past. I thank you all for your patience at what has been a very difficult time and I hope that this will mark the end of all issues.

Should you continue to experience any difficulties, please contact the school office team and they will do their very best to help you out.