



BISPHAM
SPENCER ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year break.

My first two weeks as Principal have flown by and it has been a real pleasure spending time in classrooms and seeing the learning that takes place across school. I have been particularly impressed by how settled and happy the children are, and how well they have responded to new members of staff. Mr Lester, Mrs Hunter and Mr Ellis have all commented on how welcome they have been made to feel by both the children and yourselves, so thank you. Thank you also for the kind and sincere messages, conversations and interactions I have had with many of you during my first two weeks as Principal. Your support and warmth have been greatly appreciated and have made this transition even more enjoyable.

I am incredibly proud to share that Bispham has recently been identified as the 14th best primary school in Nottinghamshire for academic results. This recognition is a real testament to the hard work of our children, staff and the continued support from you as parents and carers. [Click here to see the Nottinghamshire World link.](#)

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

David Belton
Principal

Communication moving to Arbor

As mentioned in a previous communication from Mrs Fitch, from 23rd January all parent communications will move to the Arbor app.

Please ensure you have downloaded the app and are able to access your account, so you do not miss any important messages from school. The Arbor app also includes a regularly updated calendar, helping you to keep track of key dates and upcoming events.

Parents' Evening—10th & 11th February

Parents evening will be on Tuesday 10th February and Wednesday 11th February. These dates will be added to the Arbor calendar and you will be notified when you will be able to book your timeslot.

New Site Manager—Mr Heeley

Alongside changes to the teaching team, we are pleased to welcome Mr Heeley as our new Site Manager here at Bispham. Mr Heeley has already settled in well and is quickly becoming a familiar face around school.

You will often see Mr Heeley on the back gate at the end of the school day, so please do feel free to introduce yourself and say hello.



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	Principal's Awards
Year 3	6 children
Year 4	5 children
Year 5	4 children
Year 6	8 children

	Calendar
19th January	Year 5 Bikeability
26th–29th January	Year 5 Bikeability
w/c 9th February	Children's Mental Health Week
10th February	Safer Internet Day
10th & 11th February	Parents' Evening
13th February	Behaviour Reward Afternoon

Punctuality

Can I politely remind you that the start of the school day is 8.55am, when the bell sounds. Please ensure your child is in the playground for this time to line up with their class. Arriving to school on time and entering class with their peers helps with a settled start to the day.

PE Kit Reminder

We have noticed a little slippage recently in PE kit standards, so we would like to offer a gentle reminder to help keep things consistent for everyone.

An increasing number of children are coming to school in PE tops and hoodies with large branding, as well as items with patterns or colours that are not in line with our PE kit expectations.

Our PE kit should consist of a black or green hoodie or jumper, a plain white t-shirt, plain black shorts (no cycling shorts), and trainers. This simple approach helps to keep things fair for all children and ensures everyone is ready to take part safely and comfortably in PE lessons.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain high standards.