

Bispham Bulletin



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SPENCER ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the brighter weather recently, with the days feeling lighter as we look ahead to Easter. We are hopeful the field will soon be open again for the children to enjoy.

This week has been **assessment week** across Years 3–5. These help us understand how best to support the next steps in children's learning, and the children have approached them positively. Year 6 will be looking forward to showing all they have learned next week during their assessments

We have also celebrated many **Bronze, Silver and Gold Star awards** for demonstrating our DRIVE values. Following our recent assembly focus on **growth mindset**, it has been particularly pleasing to see children showing increased resilience in their learning.

We are continuing to prioritise **reading**, so please do keep listening to your child read **at least four times a week**. This has a significant impact across all areas of learning.

With June approaching, a reminder that Year 4 will complete their **statutory Multiplication Tables Check** after Easter. The work children are doing now is building towards this, so regular practice — little and often — will really support them.

Finally, we would like to wish all of our families who are celebrating a very happy **Eid**.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. For those coming to the disco tonight, I will see you there!

Best wishes,
David Belton
Principal

Reminders for Summer Term

Forest School - No More Calls

Another reminder that from after Easter the school office will no longer be able to ring parents if a child has forgotten their Forest School kit.

If a child arrives without their Forest School kit, they will unfortunately need to remain in class with the other group and will miss that session.

PE Kits – No More Calls

Again another reminder that as of the Summer 1 term, parents will not receive a phone call if a child forgets their PE kit. Instead, the class teacher will write a short note in your child's Personal Organiser (PO) to let you know that your child was not able to take part in the lesson.

If this is a challenge, I would advise that you ask your child to leave a PE kit in school on their peg, in case they forget to come to school wearing it and we will allow them time to change.

I have again shared the rota on the next page.

Year 6 Parent Meeting – SATS

With SATS week commencing on 11th May, Year 6 parents are invited to an informal meeting with the Year 6 team. The meeting will explain the organisation for the week and provide an opportunity to answer any questions you may have.

This will be held on **Thursday 30th April at 6pm** in school. We look forward to seeing you there!

IMPORTANT - Forest School Changes Next Week

Due to staff supporting Year 6 assessment week, there will be NO Forest school other than Pegasus Year 4 on Tuesday afternoon and Volans Group 1 on Thursday afternoon. These assessments are the children's final formal practice in school before their SATs in May, and this focused support will help them feel confident and prepared.



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Fantastic Fundraising News!

We are thrilled to share that the recent sponsored sports event, led by our visiting Olympic athletes, raised an incredible **£4,015.43!** This is an amazing achievement and will allow us to purchase new sports equipment for the children to enjoy.

A huge thank you to everyone for your overwhelming contributions and support — this would not have been possible without you!

BFG (Parent-Teacher Association) Meeting – Tuesday 14th April

We are hosting a meeting on Tuesday 14th April to try and form a committee for our BFG (the school's PTA). The BFG has been a pivotal part of school life, helping us to fund enrichment opportunities such as the Reading Circle, Hobbit Hut, BFG Theatre on the playground, sound system for performances, school radio station and much more.

Without the continued support of parents, we will not be able to run events like the Summer Fair this year or future fundraising activities, including discos. If you can help, even a small amount of time, please do come along to the meeting — your involvement makes a real difference to the opportunities we can provide for the children.

The meeting will be immediately after school on **Tuesday 14th April at 3.40pm** in the school hall. Hope to see you there.

<u>PRINCIPAL AWARDS</u>	
Year 3 / Year 4	Freddie, Rayyan
Year 5	Max B
Year 6	Erica, Keira, Hongyu, Francesca, Sophie, Isaac, Samuel, Emily C, Gabi, Brooklyn, Elsie

<u>Calendar Dates</u>	
March	20 th - Spring Disco 23 rd – Year 5 matinee show 24 th – Year 5 evening show 27 th – Behaviour Reward Afternoon 30 th – Start of Easter Holidays
April	13 th – Return to school 30 th – Year 6 Parent Meeting to discuss SATS
May	11 th – 14 th – Year 6 SATS
June	1 st – 12 th – Year 4 Multiplication Times table check (MTC) window

Forest School & PE Rota for Spring 2

<u>Day</u>	<u>Forest School</u>	<u>PE</u>
Monday	Hydra pm	
Tuesday		Year 5
Wednesday	Columba am Orion pm	Year 6
Thursday	Phoenix am Andromeda pm	Year 3 / 4
Friday	Volans am Pegasus pm	