

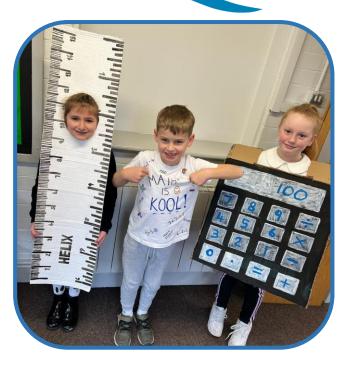
Easter Greetings

As most of you know, we are sadly saying goodbye to our Assistant Headteacher, Jack Wardle, who has successfully secured his first Headship in Doncaster. We wish Jack the very best of luck and know that he is going to make such a fantastic Principal. Kathryn Walden will be joining us at Spa and will be taking over the SEND lead role at Spa Academy. Kathryn is looking forward to meeting many of you over the next term as she settles in at Spa.

Next term will be a busy one as always as we begin our transition activities and our Year 6 pupils complete their SATs. We wish them all the best of luck and know they will be fabulous!

We have ended the Spring Term at Spa with celebrations for pupils who had been chosen as our Learners of the Term. Well done to all of our winners for demonstrating our values!

Emma Anderson (Headteacher)



KEY DATES

Monday 3rd - Friday 14th April: Easter Break

Monday 17th April: Staff Training Day

Tuesday 18th April: School reopens to pupils

Monday 24th April: SEND Coffee Morning (8.30am)

Monday 24th April: 'Masterchef' Week

Monday 1st May: Bank Holiday - School Closed

Thursday 4th May: Anti-Bullying Day

Monday 8th May: Bank Holiday - School Closed

Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May: Year 6 SATs Week

Friday 26th May: End of Summer Term 1

29th May - 2nd June: Half Term Holidays

Monday 5th June: School Re-opens

* Change of date: Thursday 29th June: Sports Day (see 'other news' for more info)



- Tiny Forest has arrived at Spa Academy!
- Spa have been represented in **girls football tournaments** this term at both Goals and Doncaster Rovers showing fabulous teamwork.
- **Spa Student Council** organised some events, including non-uniform, bake sale and Red Noses Hunt, to raise £340 for Comic Relief.
- Our **Dodgeball** teams have done brilliantly in **Leger Sport Tournaments:** Y5/6 finishing in 1st Place and Y3/4 coming 2nd in the final!
- All of our pupils had the opportunity to explore their favourite books and authors and design their own t-shirt as part of World Book Day.
- Congratulations to all of our amazing dancers who represented Spa in Campsmount Come Dancing. Our Y6 Queen Rockers finished in a very well deserved second place!
- Some amazing home-made outfits were on display on World Maths Day and we had fun celebrating all things maths related!
- **House Teams** competed in school to win the 'Bridge Blunder', based on **British Science Week**.



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Y6 SATs Information

Our Year 6 pupils are showing such strong determination and perseverance in preparing for this years SATs and as a result are making fantastic progress!

Please note that SATs week runs Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May 2023. The Monday of this week is a Bank Holiday, for the King's coronation. The tests can only be taken during this week at the dates and times set by the Government. With this in mind, pupils are not allowed to take holidays during this week.



OTHER NEWS:

Attendance

This term we have seen some real success from working with families to improve attendance rates. One of the ways we have been able to make such significant improvements, is by encouraging pupils to 'catch up' missed learning.

Attendance Ladder		
0 days	100%	Perfect
4 days	98%	Impressive
7 days	96%	Good
9 days	95%	Nearly There
•		Needs to
11 days	94%	Improve
20 days	90%	Concerns
		Serious
30 days	85%	Concerns

As part of Leger Education Trust Attendance Strategy, we have used a variety of ways to ensure pupils make progress, including additional homework clubs and home learning packs. Please contact our attendance team at school for further information and support.

Sports Day

On Thursday 29th June we will be holding our Sports Day. **Year 5 and Year 6** will begin at **9:15** until approximately 11.45am. **Year 3 and Year 4** will begin at **1pm** until approximately 2.45pm.

More details will be sent nearer the time.

Mobile Phones:

A reminder that we now encourage pupils to leave their mobile phones at home during the school day, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

If you would like to give permission for your child to bring their mobile phone to school please phone or email the office at admin@spaacademyaskern.com

If a pupil is found in school with a phone, without parental permission, it will be taken to the school office to await collection by a parent or carer.

Academy Governing Body: Governors would like to thank Jack Wardle for his work and wish him good luck in his new role. If you are interested in supporting the school, by being a governor at Spa Academy, our Chair of Governors, Wayne Dorey, can be contacted via the main school office.

ASPIRE

Pupil's from Year 5 were able to demonstrate precisely how our ASPIRE curriculum aims to develop, nurture and stretch them, beyond the academic curriculum, on their residential to Kingswood! They were simply awesome!!!





Next term clubs include: Athletics and Cricket (a link has been sent out by text to request a place)

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Next half term each year group will be studying a novel exploring mental health, disability and neurodiversity. Pupils are encouraged to explore further reading on these themes through our diverse library selections and weekly *No Outsiders* assemblies.



Click here to find out more about what pupils will be learning throughout the year





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