

Newsletter – 25th April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to what will be a fun filled Summer Term, I trust all families had a peaceful and restful Easter break.

Next Tuesday EYFS and KS1 pupils are attending the multi-skills festival and swimming commences for years 3 and 4 for a period of 10 weeks, ending on 10.07.25. A sports filled start to the term.

Another exciting opportunity is Rainbows running from Spofforth school next week, please see information later in the newsletter for further information.

A reminder to all year 6 parents that SATs week is approaching, please ensure that all year 6 children are well rested, have a hearty breakfast and arrive at school on time. SATS week begins on Monday 12th May.

Finally please continue to support the school with pupil attendance. School attendance is crucial, it directly impacts a child's academic achievement, social development, and future opportunities by ensuring they receive consistent learning, build necessary social skills, and demonstrate reliability to potential employers, ultimately leading to better exam results and career prospects. Missing school regularly can result in falling behind in learning, impacting their overall education and wellbeing.

If your child's attendance falls below 90%, this is deemed persistent absence. As such, we will reach out to engage with parents and devise an intervention plan to deliver a swift improvement in a supportive and collaborative manner. We are in the process of reviewing last terms attendance data, so more information will follow in due course.

Thank you.
Rob Lakin
Interim Executive Headteacher

Attendance

Attendance Matters



Year Group	Spofforth	
	This week	Last Week
Reception	96.51%	92.59%
Year 1	94.09%	92.11%
Year 2	92.73%	88.64%
Year 3	96.25%	96.57%
Year 4	97.27%	99.24%
Year 5	94.67%	95.56%
Year 6	87.03%	89.74%

National expectation 97%

Our Worship Themes



Values for Life: *Trust*

British Values: *Rule of Law*

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Dates for the diary

Summer Term	
29 th April	EYFS KS1 Multi-skills Festival
1 st May	Class 4 Sharing assembly 2:50pm
5 th May	Closed Bank Holiday Monday
7 th May	Class 3 sharing assembly 2:50pm
W/C 12 th May	Year 6 SATs week
15 th May	Class 2 sharing assembly 2:50pm
22 nd May	Class 1 sharing assembly 2:50pm
23 rd May	Class 2 Tropical World Trip
23 rd May	Break up 3.20pm
Half Term	
2 nd June	School re-opens
3 rd 5 th 6 th June	Year 6 'Bikeability'
9 th June	Class 4 Parent workshop 2:50pm
12 th June	Sports Day 9:30am-12:00
16 th June	Class 3 Parent workshop 2:50pm
19 th June	Reserve date for Sports Day
23 rd June	Class 2 Parent workshop 2:50pm
26 th June	Class photographs
30 th June	Class 1 Parent workshop 9:10am
2 nd July	Class 1 Trip
10 th July	Federation transition morning
18 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service 1:30pm Break up 2.30pm
18 th July	Spooffest at the Cricket Club

General School News

Open the Book Assembly

Wednesday afternoon we were visited by Rev Barbara and her team of volunteers for our half termly 'Open the Book' assembly. They shared the Easter story alongside other stories from the gospel where Jesus appeared to his disciples after his resurrection. These included Jesus at the tomb, Jesus in the Upper Room, Jesus on the Road to Emmaus and Jesus making breakfast on the beach for his followers.

We are so grateful for the time and effort they put into our assemblies - it is always helpful to see the Bible come to life!



Class 3

Class 3 enjoyed making cars in DT last week



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Community News

Rainbows at Spofforth

Rainbows will soon be running on Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm at Spofforth School



'We play loads of fun games, do activities and challenges and sometimes get badges'
Matilda

Rainbows
1st Spofforth Rainbows
Thursdays 5:30-6:30

Girls play, learn and have tons of fun
for ages 4 to 7

At Rainbows, we welcome all girls to play, learn and have fun in a creative, safe space for all abilities.


Registered charity number: Exempted from registration

Join a local Rainbows group girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

All Stars at Follifoot Cricket Club



It all starts with... **ALL STARS CRICKET**

We all play at:
Follifoot Cricket Club, HG3 1DS

Session dates:
Starting Friday 9 May

Session timings:
5pm to 6pm

Contact:
ben.dewhirst@hotmail.com

Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk

Rise and Shine



If you would like to register your child for a place at Rise and Shine Breakfast Club, at Spofforth, please contact Sharon on 07841 615845 or email: sharon1932@live.co.uk

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EMPOWERING PARENTS TO HELP CHILDREN THRIVE



Bounce Forward, in collaboration with the Harry Kane Foundation, are gifting a series of six online sessions that equip parents with the knowledge and tools to foster mental resilience and emotional wellbeing for themselves and their children.

What we'll cover

- How the brain works, the link between thoughts, feelings and behaviour
- Nurturing optimism and thinking flexibly to overcome adversity
- Helping children gain more control over how they feel and behave
- Developing empathy
- How to connect meaningfully
- Enabling a growth mindset and focusing on strengths

17,000+ parents highly rate this programme

"It was so amazing, I looked forward to the sessions each week, learnt a lot of mind blowing information, that I have applied to my life and have seen improvements! Wish there was more sessions, so sad that it has ended! I have loved learning about my strengths, the ABCs, process praise, the growth mind set, being aware of my gremlins, it has been wonderful learning, and these sessions have been apart of my self care! Thank you ever so much!"

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