



Slaley First School



Friday 19th April 2024



Dear Parents,

How lovely it is to have the children back; we have our usual buzz around school again, and it is lovely! The children have settled in well and are continuing to work hard; on Monday, they embarked upon their swimming lessons again and all seemed to enjoy this!

Staffing Update

Our new Teaching Assistant, Zara Foster will be coming to join us on **Tuesday May 7th** and we are all looking forward to welcoming her onto our team. Initially, Miss Foster will be working alongside Miss Parr in Pine Class.

Baby News

I also have some lovely news for you! ... We are all super excited because ... Miss Parr is expecting a baby!!

The baby will be arriving late September so we are advertising for a teacher to cover maternity leave. (The advert has just gone out today, but I will keep you informed as and when we appoint!)

PE

Now that the children in Spruce and Pine Classes are swimming, they will only be having one PE lesson every week. (They will still have their Monday lesson but their Friday lesson will now not take place.)

Thank you to the parents of children in Spruce Class who have returned their Parents Afternoon appointment requests. Times will be allocated on Monday next week.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 23rd April (3.30pm-4.15pm (approx)) – Parents of Year 2 children – SATs Information Evening

Tuesday 23rd April (2.30pm) 'Be You' Friendship Workshop – Pine Class

Monday 29th April (Afternoon) – Spruce Class Parents Afternoon with Mrs O'Neill and Miss Parsonage

Thursday May 2nd (Afternoon) – Multiplication Check Information afternoon (individual appointments for parents of year 4 children) – A letter will be sent home.

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday – School Closed

Wednesday 8th May (3.30pm-4.15pm (approx)) – Parents of Year 1 children – Phonics screening Information Evening

W/B 13th May – SATs Week – Year 2 children

Tuesday 14th May – NSPCC Workshop – Pine and Spruce

Wednesday 15th May – Vision Screening – Reception Children

Thursday 16th May – Victorian Day – Pine Class

Friday 24th May – 'QuadKidz' at Corbridge Middle School – Pine Class

W/B 27th May – Half Term

Monday 3rd June 'First Aid' Responder Workshop for children in Pine and Spruce Classes

Clubs

Multiskills, Tennis and Dance with Pip will continue next week as normal, but I would also like to inform you of a new club Football Club that will be starting next Friday (26th April).

The club will be lead by Full of Beans and will run for 5 weeks - I have attached a flyer to the schoolcomms with this letter. If your child would like to attend. Bookings can be made directly though the website - www.fullofbeansfitness.co.uk (There will be a 10% discount given for siblings.)

After half term we will be beginning Choir club again.

A 'Strong Minds' club and Gardening Club and lego club will begin soon. Also we will have a sewing club for Reception children on a Friday night from Friday 3rd May. (More details to follow next week).

Year 4 Transition

Tuesday 9th July - Main Transition Day (children will visit Corbridge Middle School)

Wednesday 17th July - Leavers' Assembly and Pizza Night

There will be a visit from the Middle school staff to see the children here at Slaley and a planned sports night at the middle school. We will also be organising a leavers' trip.

More details will follow in the weeks to come!



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Little Reminders

Sports Lending Library runs on a Thursday lunch time. Currently Pine Class are accessing this. If your child would like to swap any equipment they already have, please can it be brought back to school on a Thursday.

Just a little reminder that on nights when there are clubs on outside (currently Monday, Tuesday and Friday) we need parents to vacate the yard as soon as possible so we can lock the side gate and keep the children safe.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mrs Hayward