



Spire Junior School Newsletter



Date: 19.12.2025



Mrs Vernon's Message:

As we reach the end of our first term this academic year, it is important to reflect on how much we have achieved as a school community. There has been a whole range of fundraising for school funds and for a range of charities; we have been embedding a new curriculum for our new mixed-age classes in Year 5 and 6; Year 5s have nearly completed their entire swimming curriculum; we've held trips, visits and residential across school; supported Mental Health awareness with Hello Yellow Day and our work with SMILERS; hosted parent OPAL afternoons, craft afternoons, quizzes and concerts; learnt how to play rugby and cricket; boogied the night away at our Halloween disco; attended hours of staff training and CPD between us all; hosted parent SEND support mornings with Derbyshire County Council; provided care, food, uniform, hampers, books and a listening ear....and I could carry on, but I have run out of space! Most importantly, we have been 'Working for our Children' as part of #TeamSpire.

We wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable break, a Merry Christmas for those celebrating, and a Happy New Year. Stay safe, and we will see you all again in January!

Menu:

Monday: Chicken Goujons

Tuesday: Margherita Pizza

Wednesday: Roast Chicken Dinner

Thursday: Big Breakfast

Friday: Fishy Friday!

Vegetarian options available daily

Jacket Potatoes and sandwiches

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 5th January - Return to school!

Tuesday 6th January - Last Year 5 swimming session!

Thursday 8th January - Year 6 SATs parents' meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Friday 9th January - DaART sessions will start for Year 6 - information will be sent separately.

Tuesday 13th January - First Year 4 Swimming session!

Wednesday 21st - 23rd January - Year 6 Willersley Castle residential

Wednesday 28th - 30th January - Year 5 residential to Whitehall

Friday 6th February - NSPCC number day - non-uniform day with numbers!

Jewellery

A reminder that only one pair of stud earrings and watches (not smart watches) should be worn in school. Please ensure children are not wearing bracelets, necklaces or dangly earrings in school.

Christmas Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas fundraising - we have raised over £1200 in the end! We are so grateful for your support!

