## Spring Bank Primary School



Friday $26^{\text {th }}$ January

Dear Parents/Carers,

This is my last newsletter as acting Head of School and I would like to start by saying what a privilege and pleasure it has been leading the school over the past 16 months. I have been very lucky as Spring Bank has such a committed and dedicated staff team, hardworking governors and fantastic pupils who make it a joy to come into work each day. I cannot thank you all enough for your support during this time and have really enjoyed working in partnership with you all to develop our wonderful school community. Here is this week's news.

## James Nash Poetry Assembly and Workshop

Today our Year 3 class put on a special poetry performance as part of the Headingley Literature Festival. For the last three days the children have worked with local poet James Nash to write poems inspired by our very recent wild weather. The children all read beautifully in front of a captive audience, including the Lord Mayor who paid a special visit to school! After the Assembly, the parents of our Year 3 pupils had a go at writing some poetry themselves in a workshop held in the Year 3 classroom, where hidden talents were revealed! Well done to all the children and parents in Year 3!


## NSPCC Rocks

Spring Bank are taking part in the annual NSPCC Rocks TT Rockstars competition next Friday. We wish all the children taking part good luck!

## Year 5 Visit to Cartwright Hall

On Tuesday Year 5 visited Cartwright Hall to learn about early Islam. They had a brilliant day learning about the spread of the Early Islamic Empire, the trade routes, writing in Arabic as well as having time to explore all the different art galleries.


## Year 1 Workshop

Thank you to all our Year 1 parents who attended the Year 1 phonics and writing workshop, following good work assembly last Friday. We hoped you enjoyed learning about the school's approach to teaching sounds and writing in KS1. You can also find out more about how we teach English in school on our school website here https://www.springbankprimary.org/page/?title=English\&pid=38

## Good Work Assembly

The following children received certificates in Good Work Assembly last week: Keziah and Idris (Rec), Daisy, Melika and Khadiza (Year 2), Ismaeel, Frankie and Mohid (Year 3), Yazan and Sera (Year 4), Cassandra and Aashrita (Year 5), Harry and Emily (Year 6). Our Year 1 stars were Hira, Joy, Adam, Maya, Noah, Nathan, Harrison, Khadiza. Well done everybody!

## Attendance

Last week Year 3 won Attendance Ted with $96.98 \%$ attendance and this week have done it again with $96.55 \%$ attendance. Well done Year 3!

Have a lovely weekend! Please do not hesitate to contact me at a.houldsworth@springbankprimary.org if you have any questions or queries.

Amy Houldsworth
Acting Head of School

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

## Training Days for this year

## Dates for this Half Term

| $31^{\text {st }}$ Jan $-2^{\text {nd }}$ Feb | Year 1 Balanceability |
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| Thursday $1^{\text {st }}$ February | Year 2 Visit to Headingley Cricket Ground |
| Friday $2^{\text {nd }}$ February | Year 4 Workshop |
| Friday $2^{\text {nd }}$ February | NSPCC Rocks |
| Tuesday $6^{\text {th }}$ February | Reception visit to Pizza Express |
| Friday $9^{\text {th }}$ February | Break up for half term |

