



Dear Parents/Carers,

With only a few weeks remaining of this first part of the Spring Term, we wanted to share some updates with you that will be useful for the next couple of weeks:

Staying Safe Online:

On **Tuesday 11th February**, we'll be shining a light on Internet Safety Day, helping children learn how to stay safe online. But staying safe isn't just for one day - it's something we should all be thinking about every day, both at school and at home! We'd love for families to keep the conversation going by chatting about age-appropriate online safety at home. We'll be sharing some handy tips and resources to help in future newsletters.

In addition, as our school is part of the Aspire Academy Trust, you can sign up for a free 25mins online presentation around online safety, plus informal Q+A, here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parent-carer-online-safety-session-for-aspire-tickets-1204706081319?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

This will take place on Tuesday 11th February at 7pm. This session previously ran in December and January.

Further guidance around online safety, including Aspire's Restrict-Understand-Limit-Explain initiative, can all be found here: <https://www.aspireacademytrust.org/1094/online-safety>

Let's work together to make sure our children grow up to be safe, smart and responsible online! 🖥️ 🌐 🛡️

Pupil Leadership Team:

On **Thursday 13th February**, the Pupil Leadership Team have organised a non-school uniform day for their chosen charity of the NSPCC. The recommended donation is £1 if you would like to support this worthy cause next week.

Wraparound:

As mentioned in the last newsletter, we have been monitoring the numbers for wraparound carefully. We have made the tough decision to only now run this on a Wednesday and Thursday from after half term as these seem to be the days that families need additional childcare.

PE Kits:

Can parents please ensure that children have a PE kit in school. We still have a number of children who do not have a change of clothes for PE sessions. This means they are taking part in shoes that are not appropriate or trousers/skirts that are not suitable for the activities they are completing. PE is a statutory part of the curriculum and children do need the correct kit to be able to access it effectively. If there are issues around kit, please do speak to us so we can help.



Second Hand Uniform:

Just a reminder that we have a large selection of second hand uniform available next week in the entrance foyer. We have plenty of sizes available so please come and replenish your stocks if you need additional supplies. We do have second hand PE kit available too.

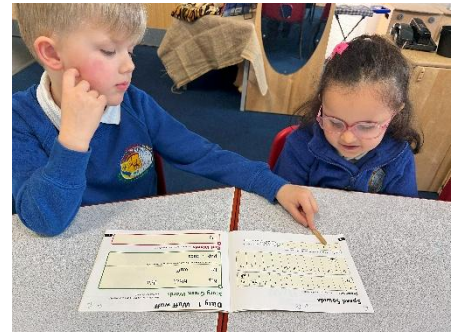
Sustainability – A message from the Trust:

*“**Sustainability** is the idea of meeting the needs of the present without harming the ability of future generations to meet their needs. It's about maintaining a balance between people and the planet.”*

So, as part of Aspire Academy Trusts' Sustainability programme, our 2025 focus is **Energy Waste** in our schools. We are working with **Energy Sparks** which is a charity that offers a unique school-specific energy management tool and education programme.

Through awareness and education, we aim to lower our carbon footprint and reduce school energy bills. Across the trust we will set our energy reduction target to 5% for electricity and 10% for gas. And to do this we encourage the whole community, pupils, staff, site teams, caterers, cleaners, governor, parents, family and friends to get involved and become '**Agents of Change**'.

In school, we will be running in a '**Get Energised**' initiative, with our pupils taking the lead, looking at energy usage, where we can save energy and get into good energy saving habits - like turning the lights off when a room is not in use. See the poster attached. And we don't want to stop there - here are some activities for pupils and their families to do at home. See **5 Day Energy Powerdown Challenge** and **Be an Energy Detective**. All activities completed will not only help reduce energy wastage but gain points for the school in a bid to win prizes - such as £1000! We can't wait to see what a difference we can all make 😊



Don't forget that **Friday 14th February** is an Aspire Academy Trust INSET day and so school is closed. We return on **Monday 24th February**. Have a wonderful half term break when it gets here.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Lou Kirkman'.

Lou Kirkman and the team



Diary dates:

Spring Term 2025	
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 12 th February	Oak – Endelienta Art Workshop (in school)
Thursday 13 th February	Non School Uniform Day for the NSPCC
Thursday 13 th February	Last Day Spring Term 1
Friday 14 th February	INSET Day – School Closed
Monday 24 th February	Return to School – 1 st Day Spring Term 2
Thursday 27 th February	KS2 Cluster Football @ SJS School
Friday 28 th February	Day of Frenchness
W/C 3 rd March	Sycamore - Daily swimming lessons
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 19 th March	Beech - Farm and Country Day
Monday 24 th March	School Games Dance
Thursday 27 th March	Nursery Open Afternoon
Tuesday 1 st April	Sycamore – Lanhydrock visit
Friday 4 th April	Last Day Spring Term 2
Summer Term 2025	
Monday 21 st April	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 22 nd April	Return to School – 1 st Day Summer Term 1
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
W/C Monday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday 20 th – Friday 23 rd May	London Residential
Friday 23 rd May	Last Day Summer Term 1
Monday 2 nd June	Return to School – 1 st Day Summer Term 2
Thursday 5 th June	Year Group/Class Photos
Weds 11 th – Friday 13 th June	Porthpean Residential
Thursday 19 th June	Sports Day
Thursday 17 th July	Nursery Leavers Event
Friday 18 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 18 th July	Last Day Summer Term 2
Monday 21 st – Weds 23 rd July	INSET Days – School Closed

