

Dates for Spring term

We have lots of exciting events planned over the Spring term for the children to enjoy, and some events we would like to welcome parents and carers to. Please see dates below, further information will be sent out nearer the time for some events:

Tuesday 3rd February – 8.45am - 9.15am – Family maths morning. We would like to welcome parents and carers to join children in their classrooms for some fun maths activities.

Tuesday 10th February – Safer Internet Day

Thursday 12th February – Winter Olympics themed day

Friday 20th March – Family Easter Crafts Morning

Week of 23rd March – Parent / Carer consultations.

Tuesday 24th March – Easter Bonnet Parade. Children can make an Easter bonnet or hat at home and bring it to school on 24th March. We will hold an Easter bonnet parade in the playground at 9.00am which all parents and carers are invited to watch. There will be a prize draw for each class for all children who are wearing an Easter bonnet or hat, and there will be an Easter raffle.

Wednesday 25th March – Year 2 children perform at the Dance Festival at the Winding Wheel in Chesterfield. Details about how parents and carers can purchase tickets will be sent nearer the time.

Speedwell Infant School

16th January 2026

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Welcome Back

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back to school and hear all about their Christmas break. It sounds like Santa delivered some lovely gifts that the children were very pleased with.

The Parent Hub

Just a reminder to pop into Mrs Fox's parent hub any Monday afternoon from 1.30pm. She has lots of great ideas, hints and tips to help with everyday parenting challenges. Whether it is help with bed time routines, toilet training, tantrums at meal times, or any other little issue you are having, Mrs Fox will have some help and ideas for you. Just pop in for a cup of tea and a chat.

Term dates 2025-2026

School Opens

Monday 5th January 2026
Monday 23rd February
Monday 13th April
Monday 1st June

School Closes

Thursday 12th February
Friday 27th March
Friday 22nd May
Wednesday 22nd July

School is also closed on Monday 4th May 2026 for May Day

Attendance

Good attendance at school is really important to support children to make the best possible progress with their learning and development. We know that sometimes children will be off school if they are poorly, but we want to encourage children to have the best possible attendance.

At our weekly Celebration Assembly, all children who have had 100% attendance that week have the chance to win a prize. Their names are included in a wheel that randomly selects one child from each class for a prize.

At the end of each big term (Christmas, Easter and Summer) we award all children who have had 100% attendance that term with a special 100% attendance badge. All these children also go into a prize draw for a gift voucher. Then any child with attendance of 96% - 99% are awarded a special good attendance badge. We want to encourage children to wear their badges to school so they can be proud of their good attendance.



Please help your child to have the best attendance possible by ensuring they arrive at school on time, planning any medical appointments at the end of the school day, and not booking any holidays in term time.

Zones of Regulation

Has your child mentioned Zones of Regulation to you? We teach children about the Zones of Regulation at school to help them understand their emotions and feelings, and to learn about safe ways to express their emotions and feelings. There are 4 zones of regulation which are all equally valid, they are:

The **Blue Zone** is used to describe low states of alertness and down feelings such as when one feels sad, tired, sick, or bored.

The **Green Zone** is used to describe a calm state of alertness. A person may be described as happy, focused, content, or ready to learn when in the Green Zone. This is the zone where optimal learning occurs.

The **Yellow Zone** is used to describe a heightened state of alertness and elevated emotions; however, one has more control when they are in the Yellow Zone. A person may be experiencing stress, frustration, anxiety, excitement, silliness, the wiggles, or nervousness when in the Yellow Zone.

The **Red Zone** is used to describe extremely heightened states of alertness and intense emotions. A person may be elated or experiencing anger, rage, devastation, or terror when in the Red Zone.

If you want to know a bit more about the Zones of Regulation to use at home with your child, please ask your child's class teacher or pop into Mrs Fox's Parent Hub for more information.