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Dear Parents/Carers of children in Year 3

We hope that you have enjoyed the start of the new academic year and have started to feel part of the SPJS school community. Your children have been an absolute delight this week and have settled in really well. It is a joy to see their smiley faces each day.

At the end of each week you will receive a weekly update email for the following week. We try to do this to reduce the number of emails you receive throughout the week. We hope that you find them useful.

### **PASSING OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II**

We were extremely sad to hear the news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. In assembly on Friday we celebrated her life and discussed ways in which we can learn from some of her qualities e.g. perseverance, dedication, humour etc. Please follow this link <https://www.nya.org.uk/resources-on-grief-and-bereavement/> to download some resources that may be helpful at this sad time with your children. We hope these resources can help your children to understand what is happening.

It has been announced that Monday 19th September will be a bank holiday. **We will therefore rearrange the date for the Y3/4 'Meet the Teacher' evening.**

### **CURRICULUM HEADLINES**

Each week we send home curriculum headlines for each year group to give you information about what the children will be learning the following week as well as sharing important information/reminders. These weekly overviews will be a starting point for discussion with your child about what they have been learning or will be learning. You may want to read around certain topics or plan days-out to support the curriculum. The ones for this coming week are available to view on our website: <https://www.spjs.org/weekly-curriculum-headlines.php>

### **PROJECT GUIDANCE**

Guidance for our optional projects this term can be found on the Year Group pages of our website:

<https://www.spjs.org/year3.php>

There is new project every half term – the dates of which are in the home/school book.

### **CLUBS**

As you already know, all SPJS extra-curricular clubs start next week.

• **Finishing times:** Homework Club finishes at 4.00pm.

Tae-Kwondo finishes at 4.25pm

All other clubs finish at 4.30pm

#### • **Collection Points**

As Homework club finishes at 4.00pm, children should be collected from the pedestrian gate in Glebe Path (outside the school halls).

- For all other clubs, please collect your children from the Junior School Playground.

Access is via SPIS playground and down the stairs into SPJS playground. Gates will open at 4.25pm (Any children who have permission to walk home will do so as normal).

- To ensure the safety of all pupils, registers are taken at all of our clubs and children are expected to attend every session. If there is a specific reason that your child will not be able to attend, please email the school office beforehand [office@spjs.org](mailto:office@spjs.org). If your child fails to turn up on two separate occasions they will no longer be able to participate in the club. Full terms and conditions can be read on our website:

<https://www.spjs.org/whats-on.php>

### **FAMILY SPORTS EVENING**

Please look out for the letter which was sent out on Friday. If you would like to come along, you will need to complete the Google Form by noon on Monday 19th September. (We will be unable to accept any late applications.)

### **BREAKTIMES**

Children are only allowed to eat fruit and/or vegetables at break time. Our Year 6 monitors sell pieces of fruit to the children at break time should they wish to buy some at school. The cost of each piece of fruit is **20p**.

### **CHILDHOOD VACCINATIONS: Webinar on Teams Live**

There is a webinar being run by London clinicians and experts from the UK Health Security Agency (formerly Public Health England) to give parents an opportunity to learn more about childhood vaccinations. If you are interested, sign up at the link below.

- Tuesday 13 September 2022

- 1-2pm

- <https://www.events.england.nhs.uk/events/parents-q-a-childhood-vaccines>

### **YOUNG WRITER'S COMPETITION**

It's time for another exciting, writing competition and just in time for National Poetry Day on the 6th October! Please encourage your child to visit the 'Reading Shed' on Google Classroom (code: koheeow) to take part. It will go live at 8am on Saturday 10th. We are asking the children to challenge themselves to write a poem through someone else's eyes. All the information is on the Google slides but they can see Mrs Shabankareh-Smith (3S teacher/English lead) if they need any help. (This competition is optional) Closing Date: Friday 21st October 2022.

Please see attached a parent guide to Google Classroom.

**PARENTING SUPPORT OFFER**

The London Borough of Sutton have organised some courses to support families. Please follow this link to our website to look at the booklet with the upcoming parenting programmes, run by Sutton Family Hubs. They often get booked up quickly so try and book early to avoid any disappointment. <https://www.spjs.org/letters-home.php>

Hope you have had a great weekend. See you in the morning.

SPJS Team