<u>Newsletter</u>

<u>Spaxton CE VC Primary School</u> Tuesday 29th January 2018

Thoughts of a Headteacher Where is this half term going? It is seemingly flying by...

KS2 children have had an assessment week and, having marked their 'quizzes,' we are busy planning on filling their knowledge gaps as we approach the end of Spring I and begin thinking about Spring 2. I am always amazed by our children's resilience and determination to show their very best – which they all have done.

The children in Mercury and Prokofiev have individual Target Mats that have their curriculum targets and their targeted attainment scores (or SuperScores as we call them...). I would encourage you to ask your children if they can recall any of their targets and tell you how they are doing in terms of achieving them in the classroom.

We will endeavour to issue a newsletter next week before we break for the half term holiday.

Mr Blackmore

Dates for the diary:

Friday 2nd Feb - Family First Service Friday 9th Feb - Last day of half term Monday 19th Feb - First day back after half term Wednesday 21st Feb - Cross Country at Brymore (see Mrs Barber) W/b 12th March - Parent Consultation Week Friday 23rd March - Last day of term - NO ASC

Whole School Attendance

95.6% (National average 96.1%)

It has dropped since last newsletter. Target = 96%

Safeguarding Update Children's Mental Health Week (5th - 11th February 2018)

In two weeks' time it will be Children's Mental Health Week. The week's theme is 'Being Ourselves'. When we have a positive view of ourselves, it can help us to cope with life's challenges and make better connections with others. Organiser, Place2Be, is inviting everyone – children, young people and adults – to come together and celebrate the unique qualities and strengths in themselves and others.

You can find plenty of resources to celebrate mental health week on the the Place2Be website here: <u>https://www.childrensmentalhea</u> <u>lthweek.org.uk/schools-and-youth-</u> <u>groups/</u>

<u>Lunchtime Meals</u>

Mrs Barber requires the menus for next half term by Monday 6. February. We are still having some minor teething problems as we adjust to our new provision so your help in supporting this process would be much appreciated.

Parent Consultation Week

We will be offering parent consultation appointments in the week beginning Monday 12th March. Please watch out for signing up sheets on the relevant classroom doors.

