

SMSJ News

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Good afternoon everyone,

Welcome back to our final term of this academic year. I hope you all had an enjoyable break and were able to join in with some of the jubilee celebrations.

On Wednesday, we welcomed Bishop Donald of Peterborough to our church and to our school. Five pupils and an ex pupil/brother were admitted to Holy Communion, with two of the candidates being baptised beforehand as well. Bishop Donald presided over this special service, with the candidates' families, local clergy, a school governor and Years 4, 5 and 6 joining the celebratory occasion too. A big thank you to Revd Pippa and Co. for preparing the candidates in the run up to their special day. I am sure you will join with me in congratulating **(L-R) Darcey, Amelia, Eli, Abigail, Phoebe and Elliott** on this spiritual milestone in their lives.



Also, this week some of our KS1 children have been taking the statutory 'phonics screening check' with Mrs Reynolds. A big well done to all of them for admirably 'letting their light shine' and demonstrating what they know, working out the 'alien words' amongst them too!

The term has started with plenty of competitive sports taking place too. We have seen the Year 3/4 tennis team in action. Due to absences, they teamed up with Brooke Hill and the joint teams came 1st and 3rd. The cricket team finished 7th out of 20 teams on Wednesday and the first round of Quad Kids athletics took place yesterday afternoon. A busy week! Year 6 are also doing their bikeability this week and returned to the swimming pool at the barracks for curriculum swimming.

This week the governors' Teaching and Learning Committee met to monitor pupil outcomes and curriculum development.

The weather has been kind this week. I hope it lasts into weekend and that you have a lovely one.



A very Happy Birthday to all those celebrating birthdays over the coming week.

Sun 21 June	Dixie Gamble
Mon 13 June	Felicity Harrison
	Stanlee Kavanagh
	Lola creed
Tue 14 June	Marcus Cunnell
Wed 15 June	Ollie Leonard

**Winners of the House
Cup this week:**

**Gwash
Well Done!**



Sports Diary



Tues 14th June	Yr 5/6 tennis
Tues 21st June	Athletics



Head Teachers Awards



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU ON GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

The Head Teacher award in **Reception** goes to **Oscar Gorton** for reading regularly at home and always being enthusiastic to read with a teacher. Oscar has made huge improvements with his reading which is due to the efforts at home and school. Well done Oscar! Keep up the good work!

In **Year 1** the Head Teacher award goes to the **Whole Year 1 Class!** There was only one possible choice for Head Teacher award this week and that had to be the whole class! They have given 100% effort to their phonics and their screening checks and we couldn't have asked any more of them. We are very proud of each and every one of them!



Lydia Scott receives the Head Teacher award in **Year 2** for her constant positive attitude towards her learning. Lydia could receive the award every week because she always demonstrates the class 'GIANTS' behaviour and tries her best in all she does. She has particularly impressed Miss Buxton this week with her super focus in both Music and Art & design. Thank you for setting such a positive example for everyone across the school Lydia, we are all proud of you.

The Head Teacher award in **Year 3** this week goes to **Lauren Crewe**. Lauren has worked extremely hard in everything that she has done this week. Mrs Thornton was particularly impressed with her efforts in science, where she had to create a step wheel to show the lifecycle of a flowering plant. Keep up the hard work.



In **Year 4** the Head Teacher award this week goes to **Mia Drake**. Mia has had a great start to the new term, putting lots of effort into everything she has done. She has also been a terrific friend and is always such a cheerful member of the class. Well done Mia.

Jack Shaw receives the Head Teacher award in **Year 5** this week for his amazing work in PE this week. Jack has been noticed and praised by the dance teacher Miss Emily for his effort in learning all the movements, joining in with enthusiasm and for showing some great moves. Even though Jack is out of his comfort zone in these sessions, he always stays focussed and respectful. Well done Jack.



This week in **Year 6** the Head Teacher award goes to **Finnian Stephen-Smith**. Finnian absolutely WOW'd Mr Clark and Mr Coyne at swimming yesterday at the Barracks. He was able to show excellent determination and resilience and progressed all the way to the deep end of the pool to swim an entire length confidently. A great start to our swimming lessons Finnian!

Diary Dates

June

20th – 24th Science Week
23rd Yr 1 Trip
27th -29th Year 2 Residential

July

4th Sports Day
5th Reserve Sports Day
7th Reception Trip
12th & 13th Year 6 Production
22nd Last Day of Term 2.15pm Finish