

SMSJ News

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Good afternoon everyone,

It was lovely to see parents chatting and children playing at the end of the school day today. It's amazing the effect warm sunshine and blue sky has on lifting spirits. Let's hope it lasts for the weekend!

It certainly made a difference to our enrichment activities this afternoon. We had a few new activities to choose from today, which went down well, I believe. Mrs Lister, myself and our 'gardeners' were glad of the sunshine. We were able to start planting peas and beans in pots in the poly tunnel (it was too warm in there for the children!) and potatoes in an old tractor tyre that had been unearthed from the undergrowth around the two Lime trees that were recently felled. The veg garden is a superb space now and we are looking forward to revamping it, putting in the new raised beds and watching things grow and bloom over the coming months. I may come looking for some additional help to get everything moving soon, please!

Thank you to all those parents who attended parents' evening this week with your child's teacher(s). I hope you found them informative and valuable. We have further online and face to face meetings next week. Thank you also to the teachers, of course.

Finally, I am sure you will join with me in wishing Mrs Breden – Get Well Soon. We have certainly been missing her presence here in school. Hope you feel better soon Mrs B!

I hope you enjoy this weekend and I wish all our lovely mums a lovely Mothering Sunday. I hope you are pampered and sp " "





Head Teachers Awards



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU ON GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

This week the Head Teacher award in **Reception** goes to **Jaylen Hunt** for his excellent effort in all areas of his learning. Jaylen has been a super star at coming into school this week and getting cracking with activities. He has showed super maths skills with his counting and comparing and has really impressed Mrs Gamble and all the other teachers with his super phonics. Jaylen has really tried hard with his letter formation and his spelling. What a super week! Keep it up Jaylen.



The Head Teacher award in **Year 1** this week goes to **Monty Adams** for his work during our RE day. Monty produced a beautiful piece of artwork as part of our learning about the Holi Festival. He worked really hard to carefully follow the instructions to create a colourful spring tree. Monty also showed great resilience when working on another task that he found tricky. He chose to ask for help, then worked together with a friend and persevered until he had completed the task. Well done Monty.



In **Year 2** this week the Head Teacher award goes to **Silvana Caffarelli**. Silvana is receiving the award this week for her excellent reasoning skills in Maths, her continued dedication to improve her joined handwriting and her all-round positive attitude towards learning each and every day. You are a pleasure to teach Silvana and Miss Buxton is very proud of you, continue to let your light shine brightly. Well Done 😊

Oliver Gay receives the Head Teacher award in **Year 3** this week. Oliver has worked incredibly hard this week and due to this has done some fantastic work. Mrs Thornton and Mrs Bennett were particularly impressed when he completed one of his maths targets, beating it by more than double of what was asked for. Keep up the hard work Oliver.



This week in **Year 4** the Head Teacher award goes to **Arabella Chater**. Bella has been fantastic this week. She has really impressed Mr Clark in her English work on speech and portal stories. Bella always has interesting ideas and shares them with the class. She has also made excellent progress in her work on the 3 times table and we are all very proud of her! Well Done Bella, another great week!



The Head Teacher award in **Year 5** this week goes to **Orla Sharp** for the wonderful attitude she has to all that she does. Orla always gives 100% effort to all her work. She finds solutions when things don't come easily to her and approaches problems with such maturity and resilience. This week has been no exception with great results in Maths and fantastic ideas for sentences and phrases for a suspense story. Mrs Stanfield is so proud of you and you should be too Orla. Well Done!



In **Year 6** the Head Teacher award this week goes to **Sam Conlon**. Sam receives the award this week for his outstanding leadership in Welland as one of the House Captains. He has been praised far and wide by the staff team for his communication, organisation and enthusiasm when designing and leading the assembly this week. He was even helping in enrichment with a Year 2 during Maths! Sam has also worked very hard on his handwriting this week and continues to catch up on the work he missed at the start of term. A great Year 6 role model



Tuck Shop

Every Friday

Snacks 50p

Drinks 50p



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

Felicity Chester
Otilie Brugha
Arlo Clement
Lauren Crewe

After School Clubs

20th- 24th March

Monday – Netball Yr 5/6

Lego Club

Wednesday – Hockey Yr 5/6

Thursday – Dodgeball Yr 5/6

Sports Diary

Wed 22nd March
Gymnastics Finals

Thur 30th March
Swimming Gala Finals

Coming up

March

Tue 28th Class Photos

Fri 31st Last Day Term 3
2.15pm finish

The school bus will run
at 2.15pm

Winners of the House
Cup this week:



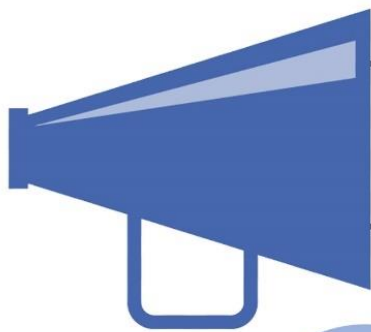
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Well Done!

STAFF PROFILES SERIES – JUST FOR FUN DURING THE WINTER MONTHS!

Name	Laurie Eshelby	
Current role	Teaching Assistant/ELSA	
Where were you born?	Northampton	
Proudest achievements	Graduating from university in October	
Favourite childhood book	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark	
Favourite colour	Pink	
Favourite food	Seafood	
Favourite leisure activities	Weightlifting, dog walking and music	
Favourite Possession	Karaoke machine	
Future hopes and dreams	To complete my master's degree	
Which three guests would you most like to invite to dinner (living or dead)	Elvis Presley, Jimi Hendrix and David Attenborough	
If you were stranded on a desert island, who would you most like to have with you?	My children	
Something you don't know about me...	I play the guitar	



PFA NEWS - 17th March



Can you help?...

Buying and selling ice
creams for
ICE CREAM FRIDAYS
in the summer term?

Helpers for
summer term
fundraising?

If you can, please contact
Ellie Askham 07739969386 or
Sally Renner 07989427425

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Cake sale: Fri 31st March 2.15pm

Easter Fund-raisin: 1st - 16th April

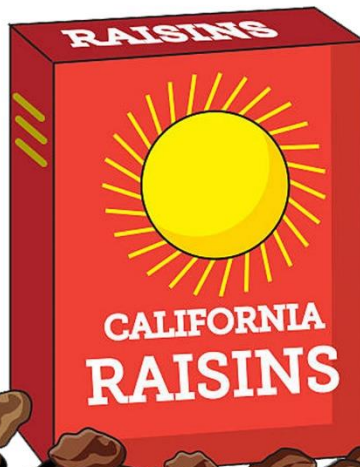
Sponsored litter pick: 3rd - 8th June



WE'RE FUND-RAISIN!

AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**Prize for
the class
that collects
the most!**



**Eat your
yummy raisins
- keep the box**

**Do jobs for
family, friends
and neighbours
over the
holiday to earn
some coins**

**Box too small?
Don't worry,
just pop it all in
an envelope**

**Fill up your box
with coins - no
minimum amount**

**Return your box after
the Easter break**

Monday 17th April

**All money raised will help the PFA to continue to support school, providing treats,
equipment and activities for the benefit of all children**

**St Mary &
Primary**

**St John
School**

