

SMSJ News

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Good afternoon everyone,

It is increasingly feeling as though summer is just around the corner but is teasing us at the moment! We've had some glorious playtimes this week and it is lovely to see the children using the full scope of outdoor space for their play. I hope today ends on a sunny note as it's the PFA's first 'Ice Cream Friday' of the season (by the flagpole). The rain does seem to have an uncanny knack of waiting until home time!

LOST PROPERTY

With the warmer weather, cardigans and jumpers are being discarded at breaktimes and sadly a lost property pile is growing in KS2. Please ensure your child's clothes have *their* name in them, so that we can help reunite them with their owners. We have been talking about responsibility and being respectful this week, two of our 6 Rs. We have related these to looking after our belongings and respecting the fact that our parents have bought these items for us. Year 2 have had their busy week of taking SATs, with just one more maths paper to go on Monday. They have done so well tackling proper test papers, taking it in their stride in the calm of the Year 2 classroom and Hub. The papers are delivered to school and then must be stored securely in the safe and not opened until we administer the tests. The Phonics Screening Check documents have now arrived too, and they are stored in the safe until the week beginning 12 June 2023.

SPORTS DAY

We are having to change the date of Sports Day due to our Year 6s being out on transition days, which are different durations on different dates for all three Rutland secondary schools. We did have sports day in our diary before the transition dates were announced, nonetheless I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. We are moving it to the final week of the summer term, Tuesday 18 July (with Wednesday 19 as reserve). Little Saints and Reception will hold theirs in the morning and KS1 and KS2 will be in the afternoon.

ENRICHMENT

This week we are offering the children a wonderful range of alternative activities as 'enrichment'. This is not only enrichment of the wider curriculum but also enriching pupils' wellbeing. The children seem to really look forward to these sessions. This week the offer is: science, outdoor games, singing, computing, mindfulness through games, construction, bracelet making, knitting (Yr6 only), gardening, production prep (Yr6). We struggle to fit everything into the working week, so the timing has been squeezed to just 40minutes and then its straight into celebration assembly. It's a little tight but a lovely, positive end to the week, which is the main objective.

Next Friday afternoon, the last day of this term, we have a slightly different enrichment. We shall be treated to a piano and singing showcase by pupils of Mrs De Wet. This will start at 1.45pm in the hall and everyone is invited. On the first Monday morning of Term 6, 5 June 2023. Mr Joyce's guitarists will showcase what they have been learning too. This will be at 9am in the hall and again you are warmly invited to attend.

I'd like to end on a final lovely, positive note. I am sure you will all join with me in offering congratulations to Mr and Mrs Thornton (and Leah) who are expecting their second child at the end of October. Mrs Thornton will move into Year 6 for the first term of next year, after which we expect Mr Flowers to return and take up the reins again and Mrs Thornton to take her maternity leave. Mr Clark will be moving to Year 3. All our other current teachers will remain where they are.

Have a lovely weekend.



Head Teachers Awards



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU ON GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

This week the Head Teacher award in **Reception** goes to **Theo Welbourn** for his super effort with his letter formation and writing of green and red words. This week Mrs Gamble set the challenge of learning to spell and write some of our red words, Theo rose to the challenge and did an amazing job of writing the and of. He also really impressed us with his resilience when spelling green words with the sound 'igh' today. His letters were all correctly formed and he wrote light and high. SUPER STAR!

The Head Teacher award in **Year 1** this week goes to **Cora Wilkins** for her writing this week. The children have been creating a class book for reception class when they are in Year one, to learn all about the toys in the classroom and Cora has written a super fact file on Beebots. She thought carefully about adding and to extend a sentence in her work and used her phonic knowledge to check her spellings before re-writing it as her 'published' version. Excellent effort Cora!

This week in **Year 2** the Head Teacher award goes to the **Whole Class**. Miss Buxton found it impossible to select one child this week. Words cannot explain just how proud the class have made her, and the entire team, this week. They have shown tremendous resilience and determination and they have truly let their lights shine. The children have all worked incredibly hard and Miss Buxton is the proudest teacher that there can be. Well done everyone.

The Head Teacher award in **Year 3** this week goes to **Lydia Scott**. Lydia has been working extremely hard with her reading for a while now. She has shown great resilience in the process and has taken on board all of Mrs Thornton's advice and applied it to make her an even stronger reader. This has resulted in her moving up book band this week. Congratulations Lydia.

In **Year 4** this week the Head Teacher award goes to **Arlo McKinlay** for his fantastic work in English this week. He has been eager to join in and share his ideas with the class and he has produced some excellent creative writing. Arlo has worked hard in all of his lessons this week, and has regularly volunteered to help out in the classroom, showing a respectful and responsible attitude. Well Done Arlo, another great week!

Abi Tomlinson receives the Head Teacher award in **Year 5** this week for the all -round dedication she shows to her learning. She is enthusiastic in all lessons and gives 100% to all areas of the curriculum. This week, in particular, she had an in depth conversation about her recent reading book and the detail she was able to retell what had happened and how it made her feel inspired others to want to read it for themselves. It is so wonderful to see and Mrs Stanfield knows that this desire for learning will help you go far, Abi.

In **Year 6** the Head Teacher award goes to **Jack Shaw**. This week Mr Clark and Mrs Bell have been blown away with Jacks dedication and respectfulness with learning how to write a formal letter to the King. Jack has worked incredibly hard with his letter and prided himself in his work. Jack has also been on task and ready to learn. We are super Proud of you Jack.

Winners of the House

Cup this week:

Chater & Gwash

Well Done!



Tuck Shop

Every Friday

Snacks 50p

Drinks 50p

Coming up

May

Tue 23rd

Netball Finals

Fri 26th May

Last Day Term 5

Go Cycling Event Yr 6

3.20pm Finish

Coming Up Next Term

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE
FOR SPORTS DAY**

18th July

Sports Day

19th July

Reserve Sports Day

11/12th July

Yr 6 Production

21st July

Leavers Service



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

Darcey Bettles
Freya Mingar
Edward Colley
Blake hunter

SMSJ 2023 Holiday Clubs

May Half term

Tuesday 30th May – Thursday 1st June

Summer Holidays

Monday 31st July – Friday 4th August

Monday 14th Friday 18th August

To book email
sandwichclub@northluffenham.rutland.sch.uk

8am-5.50pm

£4.00 per hour for one child

£7.00 per hour for two children

£10.00 per hour for three children

School Packed Lunch available
£2.15

HAF Places available



Aged 5-15? Want to Play Cricket Join us at Wakerley & Barrowden CC

Wakerley & Barrowden are offering All Stars (5-8), Under 11, Under 13 & Under 15 cricket for boys and girls. Whether you're looking for a new club or wanting to start playing, you would be made very welcome.



Juniors train every Friday throughout the summer in our artificial nets and kit can be supplied if required.

Our aim as a club is to give EVERY junior player the opportunity to progress through the age groups into our senior side as soon as they are safe and able to do so.



Membership (including ECB qualified coaching) is £50 for the season.

For more information, contact
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PFA NEWS - 19th May



**RAISINS WINNER....
YEAR 1!**



Well done! A prize is being organised for the whole class
In total raisin boxes raised £136.05 – THANK YOU!

**Coronation
cake sale raised
£274.40!
Thank you!**



**Every Friday
3.20pm**

**How has the PFA supported school activities recently?
We have agreed to help with the following things...**

£500

towards new
Reception play-
ground equipment

We have also
offered to pay for
playground
equipment for all
classes

£216

trip and workshop for
year 4 to the Richard III
centre in Leicester

£390

equipment for
Environment Science
for all year groups

£80

coach for year 1
trip to Egleton
nature reserve

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Ice cream Fridays: start Friday 19th May

Sponsored Litter Pick: 5–11th June

Disco!: Friday 9th June

Summer fete: Friday 30th June after school

Is your child experiencing sleep difficulties?

Don't know what to try next?



'The Sleep Tight! Workshop'

For parents/carers of children 6 months to 11 years old.

will help you to:

- Understand why your child isn't sleeping.
- Learn methods to encourage better sleep habits.
- Consider an improved bedtime routine.
- Meet other parents in the same situation.
- Explore useful resources to aid sleep.
- Meet professionals who have received specialist sleep training with ongoing support from The Children's Sleep Charity to ensure that you get the best possible advice.

To book a place call the Children's Centre

on: 01572 758 383

or email: familyhub@rutland.gov.uk

The course is for parents/carers only and unfortunately we can not provide childcare.

Course length: 5 weeks

Location: Children's Centre- Oakham

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Dates: Friday 9th June– Friday 7th July



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HALF TERM WORKSHOP

PETER PAN

*Fly to Neverland, defeat the pirates,
swim with the mermaids and play with the lost boys.*

Wednesday 31st May – Friday 2nd June
10-3pm daily

Drama Dance Singing Activity workshop culminating in a **MAGICAL** show for friends and family.

Suitable for school age children age 4-12. To book your place
call **07921 213024** or email **maggie@wellandschoolofdancing.co.uk**
£90 for the three days

Welland School of Dancing,
The Former Stamford Museum, Broad St, Stamford, PE9 1PJ

