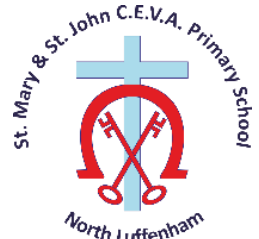


SMSJ News

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Good afternoon everyone,

This week started with a KS2 Communion service in church. It was not only good to be back in our beautiful church of St John The Baptist next door, but we had Mrs Rattenberry, our Diocesan Schools Visitor join us and Revd Pippa to celebrate Communion. The church was still a little chilly but we soon warmed it up with our singing which was a cappella due to the 'Coomber' (CD Player) not working – probably in protest of the change in temperature! The children sang beautifully. Well done!

Mrs Rattenberry then came back to school, we did a quick tour of the school and then looked at a selection of children's RE books. There was some very pleasing work to be seen. Finally, we invited seven willing children from Years 4-6 to come and talk about RE.

This is what Mrs Rattenberry wrote in her report, which I am very happy and proud to share:

'RE books across school show a high standard of teaching and learning.'

'Pupils are enthusiastic about the subject and speak articulately about all they have learned...This was a very informative pupil voice session and great evidence of quality RE.'

'The school through FW's leadership and a strong staff team continue to live out their vision through teaching and learning in new and exciting ways, trialling and embedding new practice and finally through engaging with the church and community. It is always a pleasure to visit.'

Yesterday, we were delighted to welcome Mrs Conlon and her helpers to the first session of running outdoor curriculum learning activities for Reception Class and Year 1. This is being sponsored by the last of the Resilient Rutland funds. The children loved the activities and there were some super photos on the Dojo class pages.

On Wednesday, the full governing body met. We were delighted to welcome new governors, Mrs Lucy Tervet and Mr Matthew Doel. We had a full agenda to work through, including approving the budget for 2023-2024 financial year (huge thanks to Mrs Wheatley and Mr Lemon for the time they have spent preparing this). I'll not lie, money is going to be tight this year. We are in the same boat as many ordinary people and indeed other schools. However, I'm sure between us we can beg, steal and borrow when required! Rest assured, we will continue to provide our children with a first class education and primary years experience.

Next Wednesday, I may be conspicuous by my absence!

I was nominated by Dr Sarah Furness, our Lord Lieutenant of Rutland for services to education, etc. I'm extremely honoured, proud and just a little excited! Yes, I have 'the hat' and promise photos next week. The only caveat is if we get 'the call' on Tues or Wed of next week, in which case it will be a quick sprint back to school!



We have a couple of four-day weeks coming up for May Day and The Coronation. I hope you enjoy this first of the long weekends this weekend. If anyone wants some physical exercise and needs any wood/logs, we have big disks of the felled lime trees lying in the veg garden. You are welcome to come armed with chain saws and axes to help yourself. A small donation to the PFA would be welcomed.

Happy weekend!



Head Teachers Awards



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU ON GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

It's a double winner week in **Reception!**

This week the Head Teacher award goes to **Hailie Hartley** for her amazing effort in her maths. Hailie has been incredible with her counting of numbers up to 20 and beyond. She has impressed everyone with her knowledge and recognition of these numbers. Hailie has even been brilliant at ordering these numbers using numicon and cube towers. Excellent maths Hailie, keep up your amazing effort.

And... **Otis Acott-Smith** for his superb effort with his handwriting this week. Otis had worked incredibly hard to ensure he uses the correct grip and forms his letters correctly. We are so proud of the progress you are making with this. Keep up the hard work!

The Head Teacher award in **Year 1** this week goes to **Vinnie Atkins**. Vinnie has earned the award this week for his efforts in his writing. He has remembered to add lots of detail, using all the punctuation he has learned so far and above all is so proud of the work he is producing. Well done Vinnie for thinking about how to extend your sentences, using super vocabulary, as well as spotting those little errors and correcting them. You have really worked hard and produced some excellent work, well done.

In **Year 2** this week the Head Teacher award goes to **Silvana Caffarelli** for her outstanding role model behaviour, resilience, hard work and kindness towards others. Silvana you are a fantastic role model for others please continue to let your light shine brightly. Well Done

The Head Teacher award in **Year 3** this week goes to **Olivia Evans**. Olivia has consistently showed the 6 Rs this week in everything that she has done. Mrs Thornton has been particularly impressed with her efforts in reading, so much so that she been able to move up book band. Mrs Thornton has also been really impressed with her contributions in Maths lessons. She has picked up how to do written multiplication well and has been able to apply it to solve problems. What a great week you have had Olivia!

This week in **Year 4** the Head Teacher award goes to **Lauren Crewe**. Lauren has been fantastic this week. She has worked incredibly hard on her non-chronological report where she has used some wonderful vocabulary in her writing. Lauren always sets an excellent example to others in our class. She is ready to learn and always makes a huge effort to do her best. Well Done Lauren, another great week, keep it up!

There are two recipients of the Head Teacher award in **Year 5** this week.

Archie Wallage receives the award for his work in Geography this week. Archie produced a wonderful double page spread about the 6 major land biomes in the world. He was able to present his work neatly and with some of the best handwriting Mrs Stanfield has ever seen from him! Keep it up, please!

and... **Callie Earnshaw** for an amazing music session this morning. Callie was quick to understand the rhythm of the music the class were listening to and was able to read the notation that was used to create body percussion. She showed great musicality, Mrs Stanfield is so proud of you Callie.

In **Year 6** this week the Head Teacher award goes to **Lacey Mingar**. Lacey has been whirlwind of helpfulness week. She has been organised and ready to start every lesson. Lacey is so kind and thoughtful and a great friend. She has also made excellent progress in her spellings we are all very proud of her! Well Done Lacey, another great week!



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

Bertie Anderson
Indiana Elkins



WOW CUP



The WOW Cup is award to **The Shaw Family.**

Alexa and Scarlett went to London last weekend to support their dad who was running the London Marathon. They walked around the course with their mum, who did 28,000 steps, so they could see and support their dad at various points along the course. Well done to dad too who raised over £1300 for Children With Cancer UK and completed the Marathon in an amazing 4 hours 15 minutes.

WOW!

Coming up

May

Mon 1 st	Bank Holiday
Tue 4 th	Netball Away – Ketton
Mon 8 th	Bank Holiday
Tue 9 th – Fr 12 th	Yr 6 SATs
Tue 11 th	Netball Home
Tue 16 th	Yr 3/4 Hockey Competition
Fri 26 th May	Last Day Term 5 3.20pm Finish

Coming Up Next Term

4 th July	Sports Day
5 th July	Reserve Sports Day
11/12 th July	Yr 6 Production
21 st July	Leavers Service

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

£3 per hour

School Packed Lunch available

£2.15

HAF Places available

STAFF PROFILES SERIES – JUST FOR FUN DURING THE WINTER MONTHS!	
Name	Joanne Lister
Current role	Admin Assistant
Where were you born?	Nelson, Lancashire
Proudest achievements	My son
Favourite childhood book	The Railway Children
Favourite colour	Blue
Favourite food	Pie and Peas – got to be an Oddies beef pie (a Burnley thing)
Favourite leisure activities	Walking, music and baking.
Favourite Possession	My Burnley bobble hat
Future hopes and dreams	Spend more time travelling in our Campervan
Which three guests would you most like to invite to dinner (living or dead)	My Mum, Shaun Dooley, Tom Allen
If you were stranded on a desert island, who would you most like to have with you?	My husband and Son (and Ed Stafford if he were available to help us survive!)
Something you don't know about me...	I qualified as a Marine Radio Officer



Tuck Shop
Every Friday
Snacks 50p
Drinks 50p



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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King Charles III Coronation * PEA CAKE SALE



FRIDAY 5th MAY

3.20pm @ Pick up



Calling all you lovely bakers too!
red, white, blue, royal ... or just yummy ...
all donations very welcome :)



bring a tin to fill for your coronation festivities