

Friday 17th November 2023

Odd socks day was a great success... we have talked a lot about how to 'speak out, stay safe and happy'. It is

thankful

really important to us that all children and families care for one another, show love and are considerate and kind. We thank you for your part in supporting your children to show love.

Please can I remind you of the importance of getting to school early. The gates open at 8:45am and learning starts immediately with phonics in EYFS and maths in all the other classes. The gates close at 8:55am. Registration is taken at 8:55. Did you know that just 5 minutes of lost learning a day = 3 days?

Please be on time as learning starts as soon as the gates open.

We continue to think about the value of hope this week, and consider how we can bring hope to others. Helen and Andy from St Botolph's Church in Barton Seagrave lead a wonderfully interactive Worship on Thankfulness- we are grateful for our friend's family and school.

What are you thankful for?

With best wishes,

Diane Wright MA (Education) Headteacher



I am really happy and excited to notify you that we won Primary Sports School of the Year at the Northamptonshire Active Communities Awards for the second year in a row!



"Last year, the school hosted 50 diverse, free after-school clubs, engaging 89% of the students. From traditional sports to unique activities like skateboarding, drama and art, the school's dedicated staff provide enriching experiences. Collaborating with local organisations such as Illicit Skateboard Company & Dynamix Dance, the school fostered local connections. Additionally, through partnerships with Kettering Town FC & Northampton Saints, students enjoy exclusive sports opportunities. The school's commitment to free clubs supported students facing financial constraints, fostering a positive impact on the local community."

We should all be very proud of this accomplishment!

As a sports lead and club facilitator I am in constantly in awe of how collectively we have taken the

shared vision of the importance of free after school provision and activity and truly impacted our community.

Mr Collins

Mr. Ben Collins (he/him) DSL School Sports and Clubs, Behaviour, Parenting and Attendance Lead



- **Diary Dates**
- 20th November KS1 Leicester Mosque Trip
- 21st November KS2 Cinema Trip
- 22nd November Mrs Perry's class Worship
- 29th November Mr Savage's class Worship
- 30th November Mrs Brown's class Worship Year 1
- 4th December Mrs Hollingshurst's class Worship
- 5th December Mrs Heaney's class Worship
- 6th December Mrs Z Brown class Worship (Year 3)
- 7th December Christmas Disco
- 8th December Key stage 1 Christingle Service at the church 2:30pm
- 11th December Christmas Mufti Day- Bring chocolate for a Tombola
- 12th December Mr Metcalfe's class Worship
- 13th December Miss Welch class Worship
- 13th December School Nurse coming to administer Flu Vaccine to all eligible
- 14th December KS1 Christmas Nativity at 2pm
- 15th December Christmas Nativity at 9am and 2pm-
- 15th December KS2 Trip to the Lighthouse Theatre to see Panto
- 18th December Dolce Christmas lunch
- 18th December KS2 Carol concert at the church at 6pm
- 20th December Church service 2pm (last day of school)





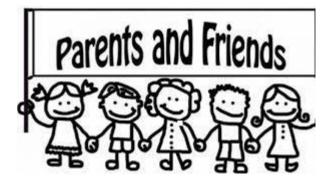
Would you like to work in a kind, caring and loving Church School Family? We have an opportunity for a Teaching Assistant to join our team. Hours of work are 8:45am - 3:20pm Mon to Friday (term time only) plus training days. If you are interested please get in touch by calling 01536 485500. Alternatively, you can find more information on the position and an application form on our website under the vacancy section:

www.stmarysprimarykettering.co.uk

"Do Everything in Love" Corinthians 16:14







Thank you everyone for attending our meeting this week with loads of great ideas for activities to celebrate this special festive season. Why not help with some of the activities that we have coming up?

We have the Christmas Disco on 7th December on the following times:

EYFS: 5:00pm-5:45pm

Year 1 and 2- 6:00pm-6:45pm

Year 3,4,5 and 6- 7:00pm-7:45pm

If you have some spare time and would like to help out with future activities and events with the PFA, please contact the school office and we will arrange everything with you.







13th-17th November 2023

EYFS DANIEL & ARYA YEAR 3 HARRY

YEAR 1/2 JONATHAN

YEAR 3/4 ADNAN YEAR 1 LUCAS

YEAR 5/6 RUTH

YEAR 6 LEAH YEAR 2 JASMINE

YEAR 4/5 BENJI