



friendship  
aspiration  
forgiveness  
justice  
hope



*"Do Everything in Love"*  
Corinthians 16:14

## Newsletter Update- Friday 30th January 2026

We've had a busy and exciting week in school, filled with learning, community involvement.

### A Special Visit for EYFS

Our Early Years children enjoyed a fantastic visit from the police and a Paramedic this week as part of their topic on *People Who Help Us*. The children were thrilled to meet real officers and, explore some of their equipment, and learn more about how they keep our community safe.

### Lion Class Worship

Our Early Years children enjoyed a fantastic visit from the police and a paramedic this week as part of their topic *People Who Help Us*. The children were thrilled to meet real officers, explore some of their equipment, and learn more about how they help to keep our community safe. They were especially excited to meet the paramedic, who explained how they help people when they are hurt or unwell. The children discovered some of the important medical equipment used in emergencies and talked about how paramedics care for others and help them feel safe. It was a wonderful hands-on experience that brought their learning to life and helped them understand the important roles these helpers play in our community.

(See pages 6-8).

### Parking Safety Reminder

We need to raise an important concern. There have been several reports of unsafe parking outside the school, including some near misses, which is extremely worrying for the safety of our children and families. Please Park responsibly and with care.

Our Year 6 pupils had a wonderful opportunity to visit the University of Northampton this week. The experience linked beautifully to our school value of Aspiration, encouraging children to think big about their futures and explore the possibilities ahead of them. They represented the school brilliantly and came away inspired and excited.

### Parent Consultations

Bookings on Arbor open on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February to book your child's parent/carer meetings, please see dates and timings below:

### Eagle Class

- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February: 3.30 – 5.00 pm
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February: 4.30 – 6.30 pm

### Rest of the School

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February: 3.30 – 5.30 pm
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February: 4.30 – 6.30 pm

### NSPCC Number Day

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February, we invite children to come to school wearing clothes with numbers on to celebrate **NSPCC Number Day**. It's the perfect way to get involved with fundraising and to celebrate maths, all while helping to protect more children from abuse. **For this awareness event, we will not be asking for or collecting any donations.**

With best wishes,

*Diane Wright MA (Education)*  
Headteacher





# VOLUNTEER READERS WANTED

## St Mary's CEVA Primary School

Could you spare a couple of hours one afternoon a week?  
We are looking for friendly, enthusiastic volunteers to come and read  
with our students.

Your time can make a real difference by:

- Building children's confidence
- Supporting reading skills
- Encouraging a love of books



 FIND OUT MORE

Mrs Perry our English Lead

Available to meet: Wednesday 11th February at 9:00am

Come along to discuss the role and ask any questions.

### WHO CAN VOLUNTEER?

Parents, carers, grandparents

Members of the local community

Anyone who enjoys reading with children

✨ No teaching experience required ✨

We would love to welcome you into our school community!



# XPLORER

Children's  
Mental  
Health Week  
2026



Xplorer is a family friendly navigation challenge that is educational and fun and gives children a sense of adventure as they explore the park to find markers.

## February Half term events:

- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 1-3pm:** Wellingborough, Swanspool Gardens (NN8 2BZ)
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 12- 2pm:** Kettering, Green Patch (NN16 0LU)
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 1 – 3pm:** Corby, Boating Lake (Start point near cafe - NN17 2UN)
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 11 – 1pm:** Rushden, Hall Park (NN10 9ES)

**NO NEED TO BOOK**

**FREE TO JOIN**

**For more information contact:** [activefamilies@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:activefamilies@northnorthants.gov.uk)





# St Mary's Stars this Week

## EYFS

Tobias

## Year 1

Aman

## Year 1/2

Rahima

## Year 2

Kornel

## Year 3

Chloe

## Year 3/4

Grace

## Year 4/5

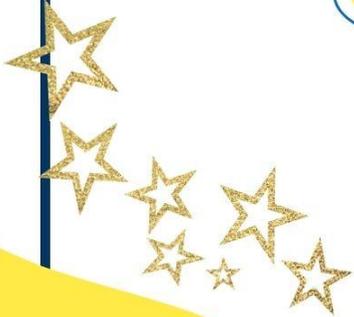
Mufaro

## Year 5/6

Leo

## Year 6

Emil and  
Reuben





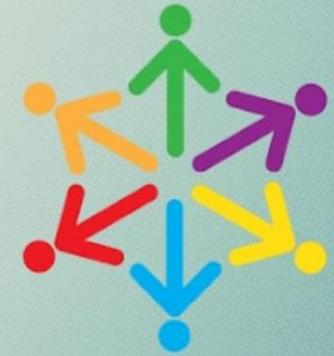




# Local SEND Groups



Learning Knows No Bounds



## Mish Mash

A group of children with additional needs and their families. We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, except in August, from 2:30pm-4:30pm at Christ the King Church on Deeble Road and enjoy crafts, games, toys, a sensory room, an interactive story and songs followed by a buffet tea. All welcome at this supportive group.

For more information please contact Kate on 07810144168.



## Sea of Support

Meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Grange Community Hub, Kettering, 9:30am-11:30am: a safe space for families in the neurodiverse community to connect, share and learn. Contact [s.o.s.kettering@gmail.com](mailto:s.o.s.kettering@gmail.com) or find us on Facebook for more meeting and event locations, time and support.





# Local Groups and Clubs



## 1st Burton Latimer Girls' Brigade

### 7th Kettering Rainbows

Aged 5-7 years old? Would you like to join the Rainbows? We meet every Wednesday in term time at Fuller Baptist Church (next to Boots) Kettering Town Centre from 6:00pm-7:15pm. For more information please email us at [7thketteringrainbows@gmail.com](mailto:7thketteringrainbows@gmail.com).

Meets on Mondays (term time) 5:45-7pm) at Burton Latimer Methodist Church, Piggotts Lane, (near the fire station), for girls from reception to year 5. For more information message team leader Helen Lockwood on 07948481679.



### 17th St Andrew's Scout Group

### Girlguiding

Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts meet on Tuesday evenings (term time) at St Andrews Church Rooms, Crown St, Kettering. Cubs meet from 6:30-8:00pm & do camping, cooking, learn new skills, visits and more. For more information call Karen, Scout group leader 07990952276.

We have lots of Girlguiding groups within Kettering, Barton Seagrave and Burton Latimer area: Rainbows for 4-7 years, Brownies for 7-10 years, Guides for 10-14 years and rangers for 14-18 years. For more information please email [ggkettering@gmail.com](mailto:ggkettering@gmail.com).