



Newsletter

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Headline!

News!

Dear Parents,

'Every day is a school day' and that's so true for all the adults in school this week. Many of us were involved in late training on Wednesday, learning about Kinetic letters which is our handwriting scheme. Many of the younger children have been taught using kinetic letters for the past year and we are now implementing this scheme more rigorously. Through using core muscles, perfecting pencil grip and learning to tilt books handwriting will become more fluent enabling children to find writing less tiring on the body and increase their stamina for writing. The training involved poses and the whole school can now sit in a 'strong gorilla' position. My challenge to you, is to ask your children to show you this.

As well as holding our two minutes silence and recognising though who fought for us this week, the football team has continued to shine and the cross-country team ran amazingly well with Oliver S coming 1st in Y6, and Darcey (Y6) and Harriet (Y5) both came 3rd in their races. Overall, Hall Meadow were placed 3rd across the area. We are so proud of all those who took part.

Today, we say farewell for now to Miss Bell. The time is fast approaching for Miss Bell's baby to make an appearance and we celebrated her in assembly and as a staff over lunch. I am sure you all join me in sending your very best wishes to Miss Bell, we can not wait to meet your bundle of joy very soon!

Next week, we will be hosting face to face parents evening. Please respect the time limits and wait outside the classroom for your appointment. If the weather is wet, we will re-direct you. The new library will be open for your browse and Mrs Brown and Mr Shan (Local Academy Committee members) will be there to chat to you and gain your views on our wonderful school.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Bodman-Knight



Remembrance Day 2021

Members of the school council were exceptional role models on Thursday morning. They walked to the War Memorial along with Mrs Mehta and Mrs Davidson to lay a wreath on behalf of the school. We spent some time looking at the names of those that lost their lives in both the First World War and Second World War. The children had the chance to speak with a local gentleman who was also paying his respects and taking some time to remember his brother who sadly, died during the second world war. When we returned to school we joined the whole school in a two minutes silence to reflect and remember those that have served in conflicts.



Thank you!

Miss Bell would like to say a huge thank you to members of the school council who have given up break times over the last week to help sell poppies in order to raise money for the Royal British Legion. It was lovely to see so many children across all year groups donating money and having to budget to work out which items they could purchase with their money. We will provide an update once we have a final total.



London Trip

Poseidon took London by storm last Thursday and ventured into the British Science Museum and the Dominion Theatre.

During our visit to the British Science Museum, Poseidon was wowed by the amazing space exhibition and the history of transport; linking to our DT topic of 'levers and pulleys'.



After a spot of lunch, we took a trip through London, which was entertained by Mrs Bodman-Knight's compering skills; feeding us valuable touristic facts of the city, as we made our way to the theatre.

Due to our topic being about Ancient Egypt and with 'The Prince of Egypt' being our stimulus for our English writing, we found it imperative that the children immersed themselves within the musical production of the show. 'The Prince of Egypt' was a stunning performance, which all of us on the trip thoroughly enjoyed.

Everyone was on their best behaviour and I am so thrilled that Poseidon got to experience such magical memories, and their behaviour was absolutely fantastic!

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MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

ODD SOCKS DAY

Anti-Bullying Week 2021 is happening from Monday 15th – Friday 19th November and has the theme 'One Kind Word'.

It is coordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, which is based at leading children's charity the National Children's Bureau.

This year the Alliance are holding Odd Socks Day with the support of Andy Day, cBeebies star and front man of Andy and the Odd Socks. It is a chance for primary schools to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a positive way by asking the children to wear odd socks to school.

Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti Bullying Week, Monday 15th November to help raise awareness for Anti-Bullying Week.

Please help raise awareness by wearing odd socks to school on Monday 15th November.



NORTHAMPTONSHIRE CHILD TRUST – STAY CONNECTED

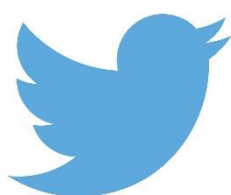
The 'stay connected' newsletter is a really useful resource for parents to see what's going on in the county and contains groups that they may want to attend as families or individually. This is part of Northamptonshire's Local offer. Please click on the link to have a look at the services offered:

<https://www.nctrust.co.uk/help-and-protection-for-children/protecting-children-information-for-parents/Documents/Stay%20Connected%20Newsletter%20NCT%20November%202021.docx>



This Week's Stars are:

- Demeter** - Alexa
- Apollo** - Sophia
- Poseidon** - Sherise
- Athena** - Georgia
- Ares** - Kenrick
- Zeus** - Adam



Whole school - @primary_hall
Iris - @HMIris2
Demeter - @DemeterHm
Apollo - @HmApollo
Poseidon - @HmPoseidon
Athena - @HMAthena6
Ares - @HMAres2
Zeus - @hm_zeus

Tweet of the week!



DATES

November dates for your diary!

Monday 15th – 19th Anti-Bullying Week

Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th Parents Evening

Friday 19th Children in Need – Pyjama's for Pudsey

Wednesday 24th M&M Productions Snow White

2021-22

Term 2

Monday 1st November

Friday 17th December

Term 3

Tuesday 4th January – Training Day

Wednesday 5th January – School open to all pupils

Friday 11th February – End of term

Term 4

Monday 21st February – Training day

Tuesday 22nd February – School open to all pupils

Friday 1st April – End of term

Term 5

	<p>Tuesday 19th April – School open to all pupils Friday 27th May – End of term</p> <p>Term 6 Monday 6th June – Training Day Tuesday 7th June – School open to all pupils Friday 22nd July – End of term</p>
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Term 6

Monday 6th June – Training Day

Tuesday 7th June – School open to all pupils

Friday 22nd July – End of term