



Newsletter

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Headline!

News!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 2!

This week started with a walk around the KLV for Apollo class and other trips being planned. We celebrated the winners from the PACT Scarecrow Trail and the publication of some of our children's poem in a poetry book.

I have been meeting with staff to go through data and how your child is being supported in school to ensure they reach their potential in preparation for our parent / teacher meetings happen soon.

This weekend the sky will be alight with bursts of colour. I hope you enjoy watching the fireworks over the weekend.

Best wishes,
Mrs Bodman-Knight

STARS OF THE WEEK



- Iris Toby
- Demeter Sufiyan
- Apollo Austin
- Poseidon Leen
- Athena Sophia
- Ares Kaitlyn
- Zeus Harrison

All parents are welcome at all of our celebration assemblies, every Friday at 9am.



Miss Gilbert is recovering well from her operation and resting at home. She will not be in school for parents evening so this will be rearranged for Demeter

Mrs Mehta is still poorly and resting.

We are in touch with both of them and very much missing them at school.



A huge thank you to all those who had a scarecrow at home and took part in PACT's Scarecrow Trail

The winners are:

- Iris – Olivia
- Demeter – David P
- Apollo – Maha
- Poseidon – Charlie M
- Athena – Isabelle
- Ares – Molly
- Zeus – Ella



Join Kettering in helping Sebastian

Please wear orange and donate £1 if you are able to

All schools in Kettering have been invited to take part, in wear it **orange** day not just schools to join Brambleside school, working together as a community to raise the lifesaving funds Sebastian desperately needs.

The date for this community mufti day event is **Friday 10th November**.

As you may know, Sebastian, a 6 year old year 2 pupil at Brambleside School is suffering with Neuroblastoma, a rare type of childhood cancer that kills. The latest CT scan of his chest in September revealed new patches of disease. The family want to raise money so they can take up offers of treatment abroad after exhausting options in the UK. Sebastian's dad Gregg said: "We know that there is a programme at a hospital in Rome that, if Sebastian was accepted, we would need to find around £200,000 – so we need to fundraise as much as possible". The current fundraising stands at £74,200.

This community wide **orange** mufti day with schools and businesses will surely help Sebastian get closer to that target.

We invite your child to take part and come to school on 10th November. once again dressed in **orange** (or something bright). You may remember, **Orange** is Sebastian's favourite colour, so what better way to show our community support? A mufti day throughout Kettering will involve a high volume of children which in turn will generate hundreds of £1 coin donations to help us, as a community to reach Sebastian's fundraising target.

Sebastian has appeared on BBC news, ITV news and has also had articles in the Daily Mirror. His appeal features weekly in the Northamptonshire Evening Telegraph. Read this week's article by clicking below:

['We feel we are running out of time and options', say parents of Kettering boy Sebastian Nunney who is battling cancer as auction fundraiser launched \(northantstelegraph.co.uk\)](http://www.northantstelegraph.co.uk)

All money raised will be donated to Sebastian's fund.

You can read more about Sebastian's plight here on the links below:

<https://gofund.me/a6998024>

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094107021790>



As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition runs from 7:30am Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 7:30pm Thursday 16th November 2023. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com.

Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). The top three boys and top three girls from each class will be awarded with a certificate in assembly

To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60-minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between 07:30 GMT and 19:30 GMT on 07:30 GMT Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 19:30 GMT Thursday 16th November 2023. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.

On the first day of the competition (Tuesday 14th November) We would love for your child to come to school dressed as a ROCKSTAR!



We will be selling poppies, bands and pins for Remembrance day next week during morning play.

All proceeds go to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

We will be holding a moments silence with the children on Friday 10th at 11 am



Read Write Inc.
Phonics

Phonics @ Hall Meadow.

9:00-10:15am

Come to our parents meeting to find out how we teach your child to read at Hall Meadow using Read Write Inc. phonics.

You have the unique opportunity to watch your child in their phonics group and then speak to Miss Pyper (Read Write Inc Lead) regarding how you can help your child at home.

8th November 2023 - Iris Class
22nd November 2023 - Demeter Class
29th November 2023 - Apollo Class

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DATES FOR DIARY!

November

Friday 10th – Wear Orange for Sebastian

Tuesday 14th – TT rockstars day

Parents Evenings 14th/15th

Friday 17th – Children in need

RWI Parent sessions 9am Iris 8th / Demeter 22nd / Apollo 29th

KS2 Reading morning 20th November

School Photos 22nd November

CLASS ASSEMBLIES:

Ares – 28th November

All class assemblies begin at 2:45pm.



Dates for
the Diary:

