



At A Glance

Autumn Term B 2022 News

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.



Samaritans Purse – Operation Christmas Child

This year we would again love to support the wonderful work of Samaritans Purse. In our Collective Worship, the children have heard about the great joy that a shoe box filled with gifts and everyday hygiene items brings to children around the world each Christmas.

Here at school we are able to track our boxes to know where in the world they go and some children in school will have an opportunity to write letters to place inside the boxes. Our children will also be responsible for packing the boxes too before we send them off.

We would be delighted if families could support this appeal by donating the items below. Any families who are able to cover a shoe box with Christmas paper (lid and box wrapped separately please) would also be appreciated. If you're not able to wrap, just an empty shoebox would be great. To support the charity with transport costs, they also ask for a monetary donation and these can be placed in an envelope labelled 'Samaritans purse' if you would like to make a monetary donation. All donations need to be received in school by Monday 7th November.

Gift Suggestions

Toys – Monet class

A football and pump, cuddly toys, dolls, toy cars, small musical instruments, yo-yos, skipping ropes, balls, small puzzles etc.



School Supplies – Picasso class

Pens, pencils & sharpeners, crayons or felt pens, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads or notebooks, solar calculators, colouring & picture books etc.



Hygiene Items – Van Gogh class

Toothbrush, bars of wrapped soap, comb or hairbrush, flannel etc. No toothpaste or liquids allowed please.



Other Items – Kandinsky class

Hat, gloves, scarf, sunglasses, cap, socks, T-shirt, flip-flops, hair accessories, jewellery set, watch, wind-up torch etc.



Permission Forms and payment reminders

Please can you ensure that you have returned the following permission forms and payment by next Monday at the latest if you have not already done so.

- *Dick Whittington Pantomime (whole school)*
- *Young Voices 2023 (Picasso and Kandinsky class)*
- *Year 5/6 Football (Picasso)*
- *Year 3/4/5/6 Faith Tour (Picasso and Kandinsky class)*

Bonfire Lunch on Friday

Just a reminder that it is the Bonfire Lunch on Friday so the menu for the day will be:

*Sausage in a hotdog roll or Veggie Sausage in a hot dog roll,
served with potato wedges and Baked Beans
Rocket Ice Lolly*

Remembrance Day and Poppies

Poppies and other items will be on sale from next week in classrooms. If you wish your child to purchase a poppy or other items available then please send any money in a named wallet or envelope and it would be greatly appreciated if siblings could have separate money as this will avoid children disturbing other classes during the day. We only have a limited stock of each item and sadly once they are gone, they are gone. We are not able to give change so please send what you are happy to donate.



Poppy – any donation
Reflective Tag - £1
Zip Pull – £1
Silicon Wristband – £1.00
Snap Band- £1.50

School vacancies

We have now put the details for our vacancies on our school website; we are looking to recruit a cleaner and kitchen assistant. All details can be found [here](#).

Household Support Fund

As winter approaches, more people will feel the impact of inflation and increasing fuel bills. [County Council's webpages on support with the cost of living](#) provide information on accessing grants and debt advice, support on getting all the money you're entitled to and more information about the government's recent support measures. The page also contains a link for the Council's [Household Support Fund](#).

This fund, which has wide eligibility criteria, provides direct financial support and a gateway to more personalised offers which are intended to provide longer-term help. It is easy to apply to the fund, details and a link to the application form are on the webpage. There is also a telephone application route for pensioners through our partners Age UK Cambridge & Peterborough on 01223 221929

Collective Worship

Our value for this half term is Compassion and with this newsletter we have sent an overview of how you could support the development of this value at home. The children will learn about the times in the Bible when Jesus showed compassion for others; they will hear the stories of The Good Samaritan and The Lost Sheep and also reflect on the many examples of Jesus healing others. The children will learn about the idea that true compassion means 'suffering with' someone and putting yourself in someone else's shoes, experiencing what they experience. This leads to a desire to act.



Diary Dates Autumn 2022 / Spring 2023

All new dates are added in bold and italic.

Date	Event
31 st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
2 nd November	STARS meeting 7:30pm
4 th November	Bonfire lunch
8 th November	Flu Vaccinations for all children.
8 th November	Open Session to view for Reception intake 2023 ~ 1:30pm – 2.30pm.
10 th November	Year 5/6 Football festival
11 th November	Individual Pupil Photos – am
11 th November	STARS Camp fire cookout
11 th November	Invite to join us for Remembrance Day. More details to follow.
14 th – 18 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
16 th November	Van Gogh Nursery Rhyme Time ~ 9.15am. Parents invited.
18 th November	Children in Need Day
29 th November	Kandinsky and Picasso Classes ~ Multi-Faith tour
1 st December	Year 4 Football festival
2 nd December	Whole School Christmas Decorating Morning. Parents invited.
5 th December	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2023 ~ 1:30pm – 2:30pm
8 th December	Rose Cottage Care Home residents joining us for lunch
12 th December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 2:15pm
13 th December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 9:30am and 2:15pm
14 th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch including Christmas Jumper day
20 th December	Whole School trip to Dick Whittington Panto
21 st December	Christmas Christingle Service ~ 9:30am in the church
21 st December	End of term
22 nd Dec 2022 to 5 rd Jan 2023	Christmas Holiday
4 th January	Training day ~ School Closed
5 th January	Spring term 2023 begins
11 th January – 8 th February	Picasso Class swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm
19 th January	Young Voices concert at the O2
W/C 20 th February	Picasso Bikeability