



# 13th October

## School news Update

*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.*



### **Harvest Donations**

Thank you so much again for the donations that were sent into school for our Harvest Festival.

Mrs Matthews and a group of children will take our donations to the Salvation Army's Kings Ripton Court in Huntingdon next week. Kings Ripton Court is a Salvation Army Lifehouse based in Huntingdon that supports young people aged 16-25 years, experiencing homelessness.

### **Transition to Secondary School**

A quick reminder that the closing date for 'on time' applications for transferring from Primary to Secondary school closes on the 31st October 2023. Please ensure that your application has been completed online by this date.

### **Morning routines**

An email was sent earlier this week to remind everyone that the morning mile will not take place on wet days. Please ensure that your children do not enter the site if the gates are still closed as there is not a member of staff on duty.

Please can we also suggest that children are dropped off and walk around to their classrooms by themselves. If you need to speak to a member of staff then please initially, speak to the staff on duty who will pass on any messages. It is very difficult for teachers to speak to parents at the beginning of the day.

### **Coats and change of outdoor shoes**

As the weather has now turned damp, please can you ensure that your child wears a coat to school. Also, please send in, in a named bag, a spare pair of shoes or trainers that your child can change into if the field is wet and they wish to play sports.



### **Parent Consultations**

Thank you to everyone who came along to Parent Consultation this week. We hope you enjoyed looking at books and hearing about your child's start to their learning this year.

### **New menu and dinner money**

A new menu will start after half term, please find attached a copy. Van Gogh and Monet classes have been sent a link today via email to select the new choices for their children. Please complete the google form by Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October. Dinner money for the next half term for KS2 (Years 3-6) is £95.00. (38 days at £2.50.)



*Diary Dates Autumn 2023/Spring 2024*

*Dates highlighted in grey are local Church services and not school church services.*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Abbots Ripton Church Service – Harvest Service 11:30am
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Kandinsky visit to Peterborough museum
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations for all children. Opt out details will follow.
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2024 ~ 1:30pm – 2.30pm.
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual Pupil Photos
10 <sup>th</sup> November	STARS Camp Fire Cook Out - 5pm - details to follow
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Kings Ripton Church service – Remembrance service 11:30am
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
15 <sup>th</sup> November	STARS meeting 7:30pm at school
16 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations whole school – opting in/out information to follow
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Day
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Abbots Ripton Church Service – Morning Praise 11:30am
29 <sup>th</sup> November	STARS Christmas Wreath Making Workshops – details to follow
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Kings Ripton Church Service – Morning Praise 11:30am
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2024 ~ 1:30pm – 2:30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Christmas Decorating Morning. Parents invited.
8 <sup>th</sup> December	STARS Christmas Fair
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Woodwalton Church Service ~ Carol service 2:30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 2:15pm
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 9:30am and 2:15pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Christmas Lunch including Christmas Jumper day – please note date change
15 <sup>th</sup> December	STARS Santa's Breakfast 8am - more details to follow STARS Elfridges Christmas Shop - more details to follow
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Abbots Ripton Church Service – Carol Service 6:00pm
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Christingle Service ~ 9:30am in the church
20 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2023 to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2024	Christmas Holiday
24 <sup>th</sup> December	Kings Ripton Church Service – Carol Service 5:00pm
25 <sup>th</sup> December	Abbots Ripton Church service – Christmas Praise 11:30am
4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Training day ~ School Closed
8 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring term 2024 begins
9 <sup>th</sup> January - 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Picasso Class swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm