



# 2nd February

Spring Term A 2024 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.



## Van Gogh Class – Raptor Foundation

The children had an amazing time yesterday when the Raptor Foundation visited. They asked some very thoughtful questions about the birds and got to see a flying display by the Barn Owl and the Harris hawk! Thank you to all who sent a donation to support this visit.

## Online Safety Workshops

The NSPCC is running parent/carers online safety workshops on the **5th February** and **20th March 2024**.

These 45 minute workshops are **FREE** and can be accessed by Zoom and are designed to help parents/carers to:

Understand how children and young people access the online world

Explore a range of resources and tools that can be used to help keep children and young people safe online

Have informed, constructive and positive conversations about online safety

We would strongly encourage parents to join one of these workshops as it will support your child's work on online safety in school. If you join, please do feedback to us as we may consider running an in-school session with the NSPCC – this does come with a cost however and these are FREE!!

**Monday 5th February 2024 – 6pm to 7pm.**

[Kids Safety Net Workshop Tickets, Mon, Feb 5, 2024, at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

**Wednesday 20th March 2024 – 6pm to 7pm**

[Kids Safety Net Workshop Tickets, Wed, Mar 20, 2024, at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)



### **Upcoming trips out of school**

Monet Class are off to Peterborough Museum and KS2 are off to the theatre!  
If you have not yet completed the permission form please do click below.

**Monet Class trip** - Please click [here](#) to access the google form for costs and permission for your child to attend.

**Kandinsky and Picasso Class trip** - Please click [here](#) to access the google form for costs and to give permission for your child to attend.

If you are unable to access the google form for any reason please, do let Mrs Nixon know and she can send you home a hard copy of the permission slip.

### **Upcoming Highways works in Station Road – Abbots Ripton**

The Council has informed us that there will be temporary traffic lights on Station Road, week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> February, for the installation of some new signage. Please be aware this may extend your drive to school.

### **Support for parents of children with asthma**

A local NHS group are looking to deliver an interactive focus group for the use of spacer devices and are looking for young people and parent/carers to participate.

For more information, click on this link [Asthma Focus Group information](#)

They are also running an informative free online event where they'll discuss everything you need to know about managing your child's asthma. This is an invaluable opportunity to learn and connect with other parents/carers facing similar challenges. This will be delivered via Microsoft Teams.

[Asthma and your child - Breathe Easy Together Tickets, Mon 4 Mar 2024 at 19:30 | Eventbrite](#)

### **Family worker**

Our link family worker, Katie Smith, is running some online workshops for parents including:

**Digital/ internet safety** – 27th February 12.00-13.00

**Supporting with feelings of worry** – 5th March 12.00-13.30

**Supporting with feelings of anger** – 12th March 12.00- 13.30

**Sleep** – 19th March 12.00-13.00

These are **FREE** and can be booked by parents by clicking [here](#).

There was very low attendance at our recent 'Feelings of Worry' face to face workshop in school with just 2 families represented. We are hoping that by offering the online sessions this might be more accessible to parents.

### **Pancake dessert**

We will be serving pancakes for dessert on Shrove Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup> February). If your child is in Van Gogh or Monet and doesn't usually have a hot meal on Tuesdays, please do let Mrs Nixon know by 9<sup>th</sup> February if you would like them to have a hot meal. If your child is in Kandinsky or Picasso, they can order a hot meal on the day.



Diary Dates Spring / Summer 2024

**All new dates are added in bold and italic.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Parent Consultations (early to share SATs information) 2pm-6pm
<b><i>9<sup>th</sup> February</i></b>	<b><i>STARS Tuck shop at the end of the day</i></b>
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Gymnastics Competition
19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Half Term
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Monet Class to Peterborough Museum
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Quick Sticks Hockey Competition 12.30pm – 4pm
29 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Rotary Quiz (evening)
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 7.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 5.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair in School (during Parent Consultations)
8 <sup>th</sup> March	STARS Mother's Day shop
8 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – dress as a book character
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Kandinsky and Picasso visit to Arts Theatre in Cambridge
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief Day
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball Competition 4pm – 6pm
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service in St. Andrew's Church 9:30am
28 <sup>th</sup> March	End of Term
29 <sup>th</sup> March – 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Teacher Training Day – School closed
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer Term begins
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Girls Football Competition 10am – 12 noon
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Class Group Photos
6 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday – school closed
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS week
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Summer Term begins
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Vision Screening
<b><i>16<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>Whole school trip to Warwick Castle</i></b>
19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of summer term