

# **Ath February** Spring Term A 2025 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.

#### Young Voices 2025

On Monday last week 52 of our Year 3,4,5 and 6 children set off to travel to the O2 in London to take part in the Young Voices Choir concert. We arrived, along with more than eight thousand other primary school aged children! During the afternoon, we rehearsed with our conductor and live band who made sure that we all sang together as one choir. We had the most amazing seats, right in front of the conductor and the children absolutely loved watching how he led the whole choir.

We would like to thank the children in Kandinsky and Picasso who attended for their exemplary behaviour; the teachers and support staff for keeping everyone together and making sure we sang in the right places, for organising the event and arranging all the logistics and rehearsals.







# Van Gogh and Monet went to see the Gruffalo!

On Wednesday the children set off to Peterborough Key Theatre to watch a performance of the Gruffalo. The children had an amazing time and we were so proud of their behaviour. They were very excited to tell Mrs Matthews all about the Gruffalo, the mouse and the snake when they got back. Some even wrote her 'thank you' cards!







# Library Bus Visit

The first visit to the Library today was a huge success. The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to choose a book. The next visit dates are listed below in the diary dates section. Please ensure that the book and their card is brought back on this date for exchange. You may also visit local libraries to return the books and any library books that you have at home can come back to the library bus with your children too.

# Raptor Foundation are visiting on Thursday 27th February

A quick reminder that after half term Van Gogh and Monet classes will be having a visit from the Raptor Foundation to enhance their current areas of learning. The team will bring in some of their birds for the children to see and then maybe get the chance to watch an indoor flying display! If you are able to make a donation towards the cost of this visit we would be very grateful. We are asking £4.00 per child as the cost to the school is £195. Please send this in an envelope clearly marked Raptor Foundation.



# **Parent Governor Election**

We are delighted to say that we have received 3 applications for the post of Parent Governor.

An election is necessary, so we will send ballot forms home with the children with the names of the candidates and their details on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Each parent will have one vote as there is one vacancy. The ballot is secret, and you can send or post the ballot paper back using a double envelope system. (The ballot paper should be sealed in an inner unmarked envelope, which would be sealed in an outer envelope with the name of the voter printed on the back.) The ballot paper can be placed in the ballot box outside the school office.

All votes must be in by **<u>9am on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</u>** when they will be counted.



# World Book Day 6th March 2025

For World Book day this year we would like to invite the children to make a 'Book Character Potato!' We will have a prize for the best dressed potato so please do support your child to take part in this competition. We have decided not to ask the children to dress up but we will be doing lots of book related activities in school. Please send into school on 6<sup>th</sup> March. We can't wait to see your creations!!



# **Parent Consultation**

The Spring term parent consultations will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March and we have emailed you today with the booking information.

Don't Forget parents' evening.

#### Dinner money for next half term

Cost of meals for the next half term (for KS2) will be £78.00 (30 days @ £2.60)

# Monet class



Next half term the children in Monet class will be making rain gauges and so will require a clear, clean 1 litre plastic bottle. If you have these at home and are happy to share them, please do send in any that you have during the first week of the half term.

# Clubs

Our club providers asked that parents sign up for the whole term We are delighted to offer another selection of clubs after half term. Please see the attached information and relevant booking forms. As some clubs are very popular please ensure that you have booked prior to the start of the club; we will only contact you if your child has not been given a place.

Day	Provider	Focus	Years	How to book
Monday	Primary Sports Stars	Team Games & Ball Skills	Years 1 - 6	£5 per week This club will run from the 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb - flyer to follow as soon as received
Monday	Daisies Montessori	Construction	Years R, 1 &2 (and older siblings)	Email anna@ daisiesnurseryschool.co.uk to book
Tuesday	Amy's Acros	Gymnastics	Years 1 - 6	Already signed up for the term
Tuesday	Daisies Montessori	Puzzling	Years R, 1 &2 (and older siblings)	Email anna@ daisiesnurseryschool.co.uk to book
Wednesday	HSSP	Football	Years 1 - 4	Already signed up for the term
Wednesday	Daisies Montessori	Art/Craft	Years R, 1 &2 (and older siblings)	Email anna@ daisiesnurseryschool.co.uk to book
Thursday	Talent Dance Academy	Dance club	Years 1 - 6	£5.50 per week See attached flyer if you haven't already signed up for the term
Thursday	Daisies Montessori	Board games	Years R, 1 &2 (and older siblings)	Email anna@ daisiesnurseryschool.co.uk to book
Thursday	Primary Sports Stars	Multi-skills	Years 1 - 6	£5 per week This club will run from the 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb - flyer to follow as soon as received

# Gymnastics on Fridays

Another reminder that long hair must be tied back for school – this is particularly important on a Friday for gymnastics lessons.

# School Uniform Offer

School Trends have contacted us to say they have a discount of 15% on uniform orders placed between today and 28<sup>th</sup> February. Please use the code stated.





# New dates are added in bold.

Date	Event		
17 <sup>th</sup> February –21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half-Term		
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Raptor Foundation visit		
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Rotary Quiz 7pm		
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Pancake Day lunch		
4 <sup>th</sup> March	STARS Sponsored Pancake Flip		
6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day		
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Vision Screening for Van Gogh – date change		
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations (R-Yr5) 3:30pm – 7:30pm)		
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations (R-Yr4) 3:30pm – 5:30pm)		
14 <sup>th</sup> March	STARS Disco		
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!		
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Poetry week (World Poetry day 21st March)		
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Micro;bit Coding Challenge - Picasso		
19 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Book fair in school – opening times to be confirmed		
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Comic Relief		
28 <sup>th</sup> March	STARS Mother's Day shop		
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Cross Country running competition Year 5/6		
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	STARS Family bingo night (4.30pm – 6pm)		
4 <sup>th</sup> April	End of term church Service 9:30am – all welcome		
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring term Closes		
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Training day – school closed		
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Summer Term Opens		
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Class Photographs		
5 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed		
9th May	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!		
26 <sup>th</sup> May –30 <sup>th</sup> May	<sup>5th</sup> May –30 <sup>th</sup> May Half-Term		
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Training day – school closed		
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!		
30 <sup>th</sup> June	30 <sup>th</sup> June Kandinsky Faith tour – mosque and cathedral – details to follow		
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!		
21st July	Whole school to Whipsnade Zoo		
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Celebration 9:30am		
23 <sup>rd</sup> July			
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Summer Term Closes		