



'How wonderful, how pleasing it is when all God's people come together as one.'

Belonging & Respect
COMPASSION AGAPE STRENGTH PEACE SERVICE

NEWSLETTER –14th NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

This, I am sure, is the busiest week of the calendar with so many national events planned in – some we have just not been able to address at all and some we have needed to give a light touch too! We started on Monday with discussing '**Power for Good**' which is this year's **Anti Bullying strapline** – we reminded ourselves of a definition of bullying, about the different roles people may play, thought about our hand of trusted adults, as well as looked at two scenarios. We then linked this all back to our value of Agape. This week is also **Interfaith week** and in classes children have explored the theme "Community: Together We Serve," focusing on strengthening interfaith relations and community service across different communities which is an excellent link with our vision and values that we strive to live by. Thursday, we took part in a huge **poetry party** dedicated to Michael Rosen (and may have enjoyed some chocolate cake too!) Have a watch here of his famous poem: <https://youtu.be/tWROeNKvtHI> We also visited the memorial at All Saints Church on Tuesday to pay our respects as part of **Remembrance Day** – the wreaths the children made were beautiful and it gave us opportunity to reflect and be silent for the fallen and those who fought in war, both in the past and also present day. Thank you to those who joined us. Then today we've had fun with **Children in Need**. Thank you for all your donations and wonderful cakes – it really is suitable weather for cake and hot chocolate after school today! In school specific events Chestnut had an incredible **immersive Space Day** on Monday where they took part in hands on school led activities before the Space Store came in the afternoon and children wore space suits, had a **VR experience**, and took part in different experiments – they had a blast and certainly took a lot away for the day. Thank you to Miss Curtis for organizing this, staff for their support and PTFA for contributing towards the cost of the Space Store visit through the trip and experience fund they give us each year. On Thursday, Mrs Fox accompanied a team of Year 5/6 to a **small school's football event** in Daventry. Here they played against other small schools in South Northants and finished top of the group. They concluded the day finishing 4th out of 16th Schools – an incredible achievement – well done team – thank you Mrs Fox as well as parents who helped with transport. **Ms Sharman** spent Thursday in school familiarizing herself with routines, meeting pupils and staff and learning lots about our school. With many of the same aims, **Mrs Mills** will be in school on Monday, spending time in Oak.

Have a lovely weekend,

Kind regards, Mrs. Sarah Smith

	Headteacher Value Award	Class Award	Music
OAK	<i>Fred G</i>	<i>Florence & Finan</i>	<i>Scarlett</i>
CHESTNUT	<i>Zosia</i>	<i>Gracie & Noah</i>	<i>Wren</i>
SYCAMORE	<i>Caitlin</i>	<i>Josh & Fletcher</i>	<i>Hayden</i>
MAPLE	<i>Jesse</i>	<i>Myles & Zach</i>	<i>Emmett</i>

House Point Scores for the week: Air:164 Earth:112 Fire:109 Water:127

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs. S. Smith

Deputy Safeguarding

Leads: Mrs. K. Green & Mrs L. Tite

Gov responsible: Rev'd Sara Cliff

Attendance figure - Whole school for academic year: **95.23%**

Authorised: 3.04% **Unauthorised:** 1.73%

Yr R Primary School application link if live in West Northants **Closing date 15.1.26:**

<https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions-and-appeals/school-application>

Diary – WB 17th November

Monday

7PM PTA Meeting

Tuesday

8:45 SEN Coffee Morning in Cabin – all welcome.

Wednesday

NO Y3 SWIMMING – pool closed
 Maple class - Experience morning
 1pm Y56 Brackley Town Football Event

Thursday

Sycamore class to Chiltern Open Air Museum

Friday

PTFA Wear your own clothes in exchange for present room gift – (Earth/Air Women's; Fire/Water – Men's)

Healthy School As a reminder we request healthy lunchboxes being sent in.

Children must only drink water or milk and snack time is fruit and veg. Please could we remind our policy on sweets. Birthday sweets are not something we wish to encourage and will therefore not hand them out to children. It might be nice for a gift for the class to be bought instead.

SEN Coffee Morning – Following discussion at Parent Forum we will be holding 3 of these over the year – an opportunity to discuss generally or specifically SEN areas along with external visitors attending.

18.11.25 10.3.26 9.6.26

ONLINE SUPPORT – we value your support in this area and understand how tricky it is navigated. We regularly share support guides on this key area – this week a useful weblink:

Generative AI Safety

READING CHALLENGE This has been very popular with already 40 children having reached Checkpoint 1- New York City. The second checkpoint, Rio De Janeiro, can be reached at its earliest on Wednesday 19th November. Keep up the great reading (and travelling!)