



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

Belonging & Respect
COMPASSION AGAPE STRENGTH PEACE SERVICE

END OF TERM 1 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to talk to many of you as part of **Parents Evening** this week – I know more of you will be here tonight to discuss progress so far this academic year. **Chestnut Café** was a huge success this week with a number of guests attending and enjoying homemade soup, cakes and refreshments. Thank you for engaging with us in this way - the children were so excited and proud for the opportunity to do this. We have **28 Enterprise projects**, and I attach a list of proposals to the newsletter – the children today collected their £10 start-up costs and signed to say they have been given this loan. Again, I am thrilled by the uptake and can't wait to see next term's businesses in action. If anything needs advertising or sharing, please can this be run past me first mainly, so we don't have too much happening at the same time. A KS2 Team went to Courteenhall for a very muddy and bumpy Cross Country course on Wednesday. Thank you to Mr Skears and Mrs Meaghan for accompanying them- children persevered and battled on the course and also were great supporters too. A special mention to the following children who finished in the top 20 of their respective races: Jack C 5th; Sophie H 14th; Amelie 15th; Caitlin 17th Zach L 20th

I had the pleasure of accompanying our small but perfectly formed choir last night at a **cluster concert**. Taking on the role of leading the choir certainly stepped me out of my comfort zone but the children were amazing, and I had absolutely nothing to worry about. Thank you to Ms Hassan who also supported for the afternoon and Mrs Green for transporting as well as all the parents for your support in watching – the best cheering and no doubt much rehearsing at home!

Today we had a successful **Homework Gallery** with such an array of wonderful work on show – children have been given their certificates and awarded house points for all their brilliant efforts.

Today we say a fond farewell to Mrs Lewis as she leaves us here at Croughton – I am sure you join me in wishing her every success on her next adventure. We also say goodbye to Freddie W in Reception but welcome Junior into Oak class.

Have a lovely half term,

Kind regards, Mrs. Sarah Smith

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs. S. Smith

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

Governor responsible: Rev'd Sara Cliff

Attendance figure - Whole school for academic year: **95.39%**

Authorised Absence: **2.84%**

Unauthorised Absence: **1.77%**

Diary – WB 3rd November
START OF TERM 2

Monday

Tuesday

Pm - Brackley Care Home Visitors to us

Wednesday

8:45 Y3 swimming

3.15pm PTFA AGM – HALL

Thursday

Friday

9am VIP assembly

PTFA Update

Stall at Brackley Fireworks on Sat 1st Nov.

AGM Wednesday 5th Nov 3.15pm.

Second hand uniform link:

<https://uniformerly.co.uk/>

PHOTOS

We have been informed that the individual sibling photos will be with us after half term.

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:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

OCTOBER / NOVEMBER SAFETY MESSAGES: Northamptonshire Police and Fire service have a seasonal safety newsletter designed to help keep families safe across Northamptonshire as they celebrate Halloween and Bonfire Night. They want everyone to have lots of fun, but not forget about safety in the excitement of the season.

Y6 Secondary School link for applications, if live in W. Northants; **Closing date: 31.10.25** <https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/secondary-school-places/apply-secondary-school-place>

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>