



17th July

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.

Week 7!

I can't quite believe that today we have finished our last full week of this academic year; hands down the strangest academic year in many, many decades I'm sure! We sent end of year reports to families this week and we do hope that you have found these insightful and that your children have been able to celebrate and reflect on their areas of success and developments. Please do share any feedback via email as we do not have our usual reply slip for you to return.

Please do take the time to read the letter sent with this newsletter as it gives more detailed information about the start of term in September and some of the temporary changes that we are making. This is vital information for a successful start to term and we have worked hard to share this before the end of term so that if you have any queries or questions, we will be able to address these before the summer holidays. We will send our final newsletter on the last day of term, next Wednesday, so this isn't quite a farewell yet!

Leading Learners

This week our worthy winners are:

Picasso class

Year 6 are celebrating in class as they are all in school.



Kandinsky class

Elidi (Y5) - For always giving 100% effort to learning tasks and producing work to the best of her ability. Well done Elidi!

Annie (Y4) - For a beautiful, detailed sketch of her local church. Lots of attention to detail, stunning work!

Monet class

Emily (Yr3) and Jude (Yr3) - For the sheer commitment to home learning since school closed. We counted up the number of pieces of home learning submitted and Emily and Jude were inseparable. We already knew how committed they were but we also looked back at the incredibly high standards that they achieved across all subjects. You are both PHENOMENAL!

Evony (Yr2) – For really stepping up and taking on more writing challenges. We knew you could produce wonderful writing and we have been delighted to read so many pieces this week. We are so proud of you!

Van Gogh class

William S - (Yr1) - For working so hard and producing a wonderful set of top trump cards. He has been sharing his learning with his sister and he has even done some of her learning too!

Oliver C – (Yr1) - For some great descriptive writing about his character and his creative ideas for his chosen world and comic. Super effort Oliver!

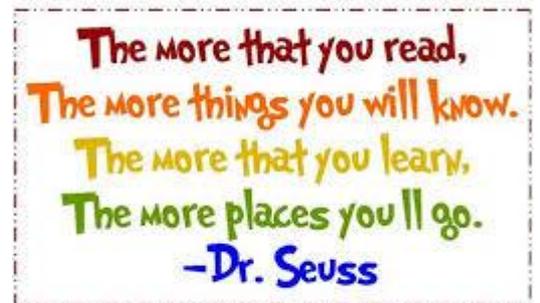
Summer holiday learning



Many thanks again to those of you who responded to our survey about home learning in the summer holidays. The vast majority of parents responded to say that they didn't require any learning but some did ask for further support or guidance. We didn't know at the time of surveying parents, but the Local Authority have been busy putting together, 'Moving on up' packs. These are brilliant! There is an English and a Maths pack for children 'moving on up' to each year group. They aim to consolidate the key learning from this year with the idea that children will be better prepared for 'moving up'.

We have decided to share these with all parents by email and will print them for parents who requested a pack through the survey. These will be sent home with children who are in school and will be available to collect from school if your child isn't in school. We will email the parents that this applies to. Teachers have adjusted the packs for some children with the hope that they will meet the needs of a greater range of abilities. We hope you find them useful.

Also, reading is a great thing to be doing little and often through the Summer. [Oxford Owl](#) has a great website for parents as it has a huge free eBook library (it is only free due to the lockdown so make the most of it!). As well as recognisable characters such as Biff, Chip and Kipper and Winnie the Witch, you'll also find some great non-fiction eBooks to help your child explore the world. Books can be searched by age or by colour band if you know what colour band your child was reading at school.



Autumn menu

We have decided to continue our temporary menu from this half term for the first 2 weeks back in September. We have sent a copy of this menu with this newsletter.

Current advice

We have been asked to share a recently produced poster called, 'How do we all work together to prevent ourselves from getting COVID-19?' It can be found [here](#) and we hope you find it useful.

A Message from 'Year 6'

On Monday 20th July, we will all be participating in a '5km **Race for Life**', around our school grounds, in support of Cancer Research UK.



The coronavirus outbreak has forced Cancer Research to cancel all of its 400 events that were due to take place this year. The charity raised over £35 million last year from all Race for Life events.

Therefore, we have organised our own fundraising race for Cancer Research UK, as it is a charity very close to all our hearts in Year 6. We would very much appreciate any sponsorship/donations for our Run/Walk.

We have set up a 'Just Giving Page' and any money kindly donated will go straight to Cancer Research UK. You can only donate via

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/picassoclass> or the QR code below:



Russell (Year 6) will update the page on Monday so that you can all see how we all get on!

Thank you

From All in Year 6

Emotional Health and Well-being

With last week's newsletter we sent a Well-being questionnaire and we have had very few back! We are hoping to receive more in the next few days as they will really support us in preparing for September. Please do read last Friday's newsletter for details and a copy of the questionnaire. Many thanks in advance.



Letter from the Local Authority

With this newsletter, we have shared with you a letter from Jonathan Lewis, the Service Director (Education) for Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council.

Zoom calls for learners at home

Our Zoom calls next week will take the form of an end of year party to celebrate and recognise the end of the year. We have altered the times in the hope that as many home learners as possible can be involved as well as teachers.

Given the 'party' theme please encourage your children to complete one or more of the following, using the links to YouTube for ideas and/or instructions:

1. Make your own Party Popper – click [here](#) or [here](#)
2. Make your own pom-poms – click [here](#)
3. Make your own party hat – click [here](#)
4. Select your favourite song for a party - Find out what the song is called and who wrote and performed it. Write down why you like this song so much.

The **Zoom calls** will be as follows:

Reception & Year 1 children	Tuesday 21 st July	10am
Year 2 & 3 children	Tuesday 21 st July	11am
Year 4 children	Wednesday 22 nd July	11am
Year 5 children	Wednesday 22 nd July	11:30am

Please do look out for the email to be sent on Monday with details of how to join.

Storytime Summer Holiday Videos

During lockdown, some classes have used a resource called Schoolreaders and it has been really well received by then children.

Schoolreaders would love children to be able to access the stories over the summer holiday period and so have developed a Storytime section on the Schoolreaders website! It is now live and features 30+ videos of amazing volunteers who have recorded themselves sharing a book during lockdown.

The stories are separated into reading age and they intend to add new videos over the summer. The web address is: <https://www.schoolreaders.org/storytime> and the password is: love2read



Reminders for families with children in school

- We know that many of you will be keen to show your appreciation to staff on the last day of term and you will want to say your farewells both to staff and to other families. However, can we respectfully ask that you are not tempted to gather in groups to do this as it remains important that you leave our site promptly and safely. Our sincere thanks for your support and understanding!