



9th May

Summer 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.



Changeable weather

All children should be bringing a cap or sun hat to school for sunny days or alternatively a coat for wet and/or colder days. If you would like to send in a sun hat to keep at school, please ensure that it clearly has your child's name written inside.

We would also like to remind parents that the children should not be bringing sunscreen in to school. Please use this before school; there are many brands of long-lasting sunscreen that are ideal.

VE Day

The children learnt about VE Day yesterday in school and we were fortunate to join thousands of other school children in watching an online assembly for primary schools. This featured real footage and photographs of VE Day as well as a very moving interview with a gentleman who is now aged 108; he shared his memories of the war and of the way he felt listening to Winston Churchill's victory speech. We also observed a minute silence before celebrating with red, white and blue cakes, waving our flags and doing the conga – a favourite 80 years ago!

We would like to thank parents who have supported their children in finding out about family members or friends who have memories of the war; we have been touched by some of the stories.



Class photographs

We would firstly like to apologise for the mix up with the class photographs earlier this week. We have also let the company know that we are not very happy with the standard of the pictures and they have agreed to return to school to re-take them. The new date will be Wednesday 4th June.

Upcoming visits

We are delighted to be able to share with parents an exciting opportunity for Picasso and Kandinsky classes to visit Holland Park Opera on Wednesday 18th June. This will link with the Picasso art unit on set design as well as to enhance our music teaching as the children will watch the orchestra rehearse. A letter will be sent next week with further details.



As part of their RE learning the children in Kandinsky class will be visiting one of the largest Mosques in the UK as well as Peterborough Cathedral all on the same day! A letter regarding this trip on 30th June will follow shortly.

Current Year 4 and 5

Over the last few years we have taken Picasso class to Grafham Water for an overnight residential at the very beginning of the Autumn term in September. This is a great way for the children to come together as one class, working on problem solving skills and outdoor, adventurous activities together. This will take place on the 4th and 5th September for our current Years 4 and 5 children who will then be in Picasso class as Years 5 and 6. We would like to invite parents to an information session at 2:40pm on Wednesday 4th June. A letter and payment plan will be sent shortly sharing further details.

County Lines and Child Exploitation

I am delighted to share the information below and attached as I am certain that this will be incredibly useful as it is delivered in a local context and by a parent whose child has been a victim of exploitation.

The Ivison Trust (formerly known as Parents Against Child Exploitation (PACE) are holding an evening seminar specifically for parents and carers in Cambridgeshire with a focus on County Lines and Criminal Exploitation. These seminars will be delivered with a parent whose child has been a victim of exploitation, sharing their experiences and advice on responding to risks. The seminar is online on 17th June from 7pm - 8:30pm.

The sessions will share what criminal exploitation is, with a focus on county lines and explore how to spot signs that it may be happening to your child or a child you know. They will also cover trends in the local area and where to get advice and support if you are concerned.

What parents will learn

- * Learn what county lines is
- * Understand what is happening in your local area
- * Learn how exploiters groom children
- * Understand the signs that your child might be at risk
- * Know where to access support and advice if you have concerns

For more information and to book a place click [here](#).

We would be pleased to hear feedback from any parents to attend this.

Monet class Victorian Day

An email was sent to Monet class parents today about a Victorian Day on Monday 19th May. The children will experience what it might have been like in a Victorian classroom and then reflect on whether they prefer school today!



Lunchtime menu

Our new summer menu has been in place for 2 weeks so all new meals such as tacos and lasagne have now been served. Please do talk with your child if they are in Van Gogh or Monet and let us know if you would like to swap any meal choices. Please email the school office by Wednesday 14th. Many thanks.

Front gate entrance

We are aware that some of the paving slabs on the path into the school at the main entrance are very uneven! This could be a trip hazard and we have therefore sprayed them yellow so that they are more obvious. Please could we ask you to be really careful on this path. Many thanks

Playing on school equipment

Please may we take this opportunity to again remind parents that the playground equipment should **NOT** be used before or after school by any child. Please support us with this by reminding your children, including pre-school children.



Diary Dates

Please see below the diary dates for the Summer 2025 term

Any new dates added will be in bold and italics

Date	Event
12 th – 15 th May	Year 6 SATs week
19th May	<i>Monet class Victorian day</i>
20 th May	Picasso class Solar Power workshop (in school)
23rd May	<i>STARS tuck shop 3:10pm outside the staffroom</i>
26 th May – 30 th May	Half-Term
2 nd June	Training day – school closed
4th June	<i>Class photographs</i>
4th June	<i>Year 4 and 5 Grafham Water parent meeting 2:40pm</i>
5 th June	Sports Day – everyone welcome 1.15pm start
9 th – 13 th June	Year 1 Phonic Screening Check week
12 th June	Sports Day reserve – everyone welcome 1.15pm start
12 th June	New Reception parent meeting 7pm
13 th June	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!
13 th June	STARS Father's Day shop
17th June	<i>Online County Lines and Child Exploitation webinar 7pm</i>
18th June	<i>KS2 visit to Holland Park Opera</i>

26 th – 27 th June	Year 6 Abbey College transition days
30 th June	Kandinsky Faith tour – mosque and cathedral – details to follow
1 st -3 rd July	Year 6 Hinchingsbrooke transition days
5 th July	STARS Summer fair
8th July	<i>KS2 production – dress rehearsal for families with pre-school aged children 1:15pm</i>
9 th July	Changeover session for children to meet their new teachers
9th and 10th July	<i>KS2 production 6:30pm</i>
11 th July	Library bus visit – please bring your cards!
15 th – 16 th July	Year 6 Sawtry transition days
17 th – 18 th July	Year 6 St Peters transition days
21 st July	Whole school to Whipsnade Zoo
22 nd July	Year 6 Leaver's Celebration 9:30am
23 rd July	End of term church service 9:30am
23 rd July	Summer Term Closes