

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.

Fundraising for the people of Ukraine

As mentioned in our last newsletter, some of our wonderful children asked whether we could support families who have been affected by the war in Ukraine by fundraising. Some of our KS2 children came together this week as a charity committee to discuss their ideas.

The children would like to run 2 events, one next Friday in school and one for children to do at home over the Easter holiday.



Next Friday (1st April) the children will be holding a cake sale during break-time as well as a craft stall with crafts made by some of our children. If your child would like to purchase a cake or a craft please send in a donation for them to visit the stall. We are not setting a price for items but instead a donation would be gratefully received.

The second idea, is to complete some chores or jobs at home over the holiday for which they are paid and money paid will be donated. The children loved the idea of Year 6 completing 6 chores, Year 5 completing 5 etc. and grown-ups 'paying them' for their efforts. The children liked this idea as they felt it should be an effort/hard work for them so that they can appreciate the value of the donation. The children would love as many of their peers to take part as possible and we would love to see what your children get up to. We have set up a home learning tab in STARZ which has a 'chore chart' for them to complete and please do also upload photographs of the chores being completed. Our huge thanks for your support with this – we hope it will be hugely successful as the children have very much taken a lead on this.

Please send any money raised into school by Monday 25th April.

Palm Sunday Parish Walk

Attached with this newsletter is further information, including timings, for the Palm Sunday village walk on the 10th April. Local Churches are coming together to celebrate Holy Week with a walk between the Churches of the Parish to bring people together. All ages and those with four legs are welcome. There may even be a donkey at Kings Ripton!



18th March - Comic Relief Day



Thank you everyone who dressed up for last week's Comic Relief day! We had lots of fun. Our fundraising total is currently £324.00. However, there is still time to donate if you wish. Please click on the link here to go to our Comic Relief Just Giving page. Every little helps.

West Stow visit

The Kandinsky Class children had a fabulous time at West Stow last week, even if the travel took a little longer than expected! We did appreciate your support by collecting your children later than planned so that they had the chance to stay later. A special thank you to Mr Stevens for accompanying the trip.







Our new arrivals!

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of 8 chicks!!!! Van Gogh class have been waiting so patiently for the last 21 days whilst they have been safely tucked up in the incubator. All of the children across the school have visited the chicks and as part of their learning our youngest children have been thinking about life cycles and what the chicks need to stay alive and healthy. Our thanks to the Griggs family who donated the eggs and have been our resident experts!





Thank you!

Thank you for supporting the Mother's Day Cream Tea and Mother's day shop this week. We hope you enjoy any treats that are coming your way!

Easter Egg Hunt

Next week, it will be the children's turn for a chocolatey treat from STARS, once they have completed a STARS Easter Egg Hunt on 1st April. The school are kindly making the time for the hunt to take place during the school day.

Events - Summer Term

Next term, we are hoping to have the following events **BUT** we do need lots of volunteers if we are to manage to run these.

Please can we have some volunteers to help organise the following events:

Parents social night - Date TBC Father's Day Shop - Fri 17th June And.....drum roll please..... the Summer Fair!!!!! - **Saturday 2nd July**.

Parents Social Night

Your class reps will be getting in touch over the next few days to find out what the grown ups would like to do for the social event! STARS wants to organise something that will be very well attended and that you will all thoroughly enjoy. Please do let your thoughts be known.

STARS Meetings

Another place for you to let us know your thoughts is at the STARS meetings.

Please pop these STARS meeting dates in your diaries and come along and suggest some fundraising ideas. We'd love to hear them.

Meetings will be held at 7:30pm at school on: 31st March Tuesday 10th May Monday 13th June



<u>Diary Dates</u> Please see below the diary dates for the Spring 2022 term Any new dates added in the future will be in bold and italics

Date	Event
31st March	STARS meeting 7:30pm at school
1 st April	STARS Easter Egg hunt
1 st April	Easter Church service – children and school staff only
1 st April	Ukrainian Fundraising Cake and Craft stall
1 st April	End of Spring term 2022
19 th April	Teacher Training Day – school closed
20 th April	Summer term begins
2 nd May	Bank holiday – school closed
10 th May	STARS meeting 7:30pm at school
27 th May	Teacher Training Day – school closed
30 th May – 3 rd June	Half Term
13 th June	STARS meeting 7:30pm at school
2 nd July	STARS Summer fair
6 th – 8 th July	Stibbington Residential – Year 5/6
21st July	Summer term closes
22 nd July	Extra bank holiday owed due to Queens Jubilee. School closed.