

# School news update

Our School Mission Statement: Together with God's help we: Grow in Faith, Learn for Life and Achieve our best

#### Welcome

We are delighted to welcome Freya and Elidi and their family to our school community. We hope you enjoy your time with us.



## May Day 2020 date change

Following the recent announcement, please note that next year's early May Bank Holiday will be moved back by four days for the whole of the UK to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day. It will be put back to **Friday 8 May 2020**.

VE Day, or Victory in Europe Day, marks the day towards the end of World War Two when fighting against Nazi Germany came to an end in Europe. The holiday will form part of a three-day weekend of commemorative events across the country.

Read BBC News here.

We have attached an updated version of next year's Term Dates. Please discard the previous version sent out.

#### Father's Day

Thank you to everyone who came along today for the Father's Day lunch. We hope you enjoyed your experience.

Also please can we say thank you to the team who organised the Father's Day shop this morning too. It was a great success.







# **Bikeability for Year 5**

Just a reminder that Year 5 will take part in their Bikeability sessions next week. Please ensure that the bicycle which your child is using has been checked as per the guidance sent home. All bikes will need to be brought into school by 9am on Monday morning. We will store them in school until the end of the sessions. Please also ensure that your child brings a cycle helmet as specified otherwise they will not be allowed to take part.

#### **Governor Election**

Thank you so much to everyone who sent in their vote for the Parent Governor vacancy on our Governing Body. We had 91 voting slips returned which equated to a 71% response and are delighted to welcome Mallory Grover to our Governing Body. Thank you also to Andy Salter and Susanna Ward for their interest.

# Hunstanton whole school trip – Friday 19th July

Thank you to everyone who has sent back their Hunstanton trip permission slip and form. If you have not returned yours yet please do so by **Friday 21**st **June**.

We need to confirm the lunch numbers required for the kitchen as well as travel arrangements. If you require another copy of the letter please see the school office.



# Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Policy

We have recently reviewed and updated the RSE policy in school. Please do have a look at the school website, Policy tab, if you wish to read it. The policy contains an overview of what is taught in each class and as this is the time of year when several classes are covering RSE linked units it might be useful to know what your child is learning about. A letter has been sent home today for our Year 5/6 children which gives a more detailed overview of their learning over the next few weeks.



## **Summer Reading Challenge**

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six library books during the long summer holiday.

Children's reading can 'dip' during the summer holidays if they don't have regular access to books and

encouragement to read for pleasure. The annual Summer Reading Challenge helps get three quarters of a million children into libraries each year to keep up their reading skills and confidence. The Challenge celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

#### How it works

Children can read whatever they like - fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, audio books - just as long as they are borrowed from the library.

Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge.

The Summer Reading Challenge is open to all primary school aged children and is designed for all reading abilities.

Do have a look at the links below to information about the Summer Reading Challenge for this year.

https://readingagency.org.uk/children/news/space-chase-book-collection-announced.html

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JronxYxClgo

We have also now collated our 'Million Minutes' challenge so our thanks to those of you who kept a log of reading minutes.

<u>Attendance %</u> W/E 14/06/19

Van Gogh: 97% Monet: 97% **Kandinsky: 98.8%** 

Picasso: 98.3%

# **Bottle tops**

We have created a beautiful bottle top rainbow which will form the centre piece of a display in the church during the village open gardens this weekend. Do pop across to the church during the weekend and take a look as the children are very proud of it!

Our thanks to everyone who collected bottle tops for us!





<u>Diary Dates</u>

Any new dates added since previous newsletters are in bold and italics

Date	Event
15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Abbots Ripton Open Gardens and children's garden competition
17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Bikeability
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non Uniform day in exchange for Summer Hamper donation
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Magpas First Aid training for all KS2 children
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair – 2-5pm
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Change Over Morning in school
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day - 1:15pm. All welcome to attend
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Door afternoon – 2pm – 4pm
16 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 play 6.30pm
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18 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports day reserve - 1:15pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Trip to Hunstanton
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 leavers assembly 9:15am and trip
24 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term Service 2.30pm in church
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the summer term
AUTUMN TERM	
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Teacher training day – school closed
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Teacher training day – school closed
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn Term 2019 begins
10 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5/6 residential