

10th June

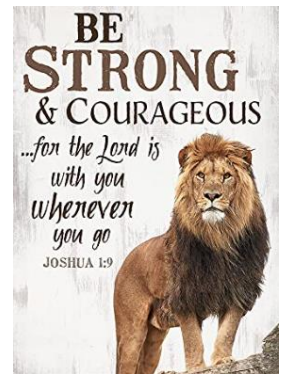
School news Update



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.

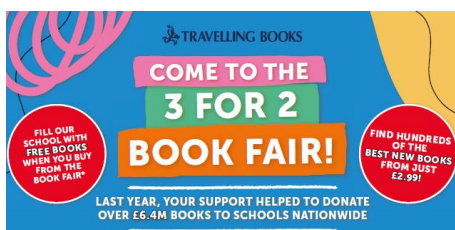
Collective worship

Our theme for Collective Worship this half term is the Christian value of Courage. The children will reflect on what it means to be courageous and we will think about how we give encouragement to others to be courageous. They will hear stories from the bible about times when a belief in God has given courage such as to David when he defeated Goliath. The children will learn about the 3Ps of Christian courage; having a belief that God is present, protective and powerful. With this newsletter we have sent the home/school values leaflet which we hope you find helpful in supporting with reflecting on this value at home. Please do encourage your child to share with me anything that you do together at home.



Curriculum maps

We have sent home the curriculum maps for this half term today. We hope you find these useful in giving you an overview of what the children will be learning.



Travelling book fair

We are delighted that we have the book fair in school next week from Wednesday to Friday. The books will be available for your children to view during the day and you are invited to either send money with your child to purchase a book (in a named envelope or purse) or you can visit the fair after school on Thursday and Friday. This is a great way for us to raise funds towards books, as we will receive a percentage of the sales back in books for the classrooms and library.

Anxious children workshop

Our Emotional Health and Wellbeing team recently ran a parent workshop on anxiety and supporting anxious children. They have kindly shared the PowerPoint slides with me which are available from our website by clicking [here](#). We hope that this will be useful but if you would like further information please do let me know as you are able to sign up for a parent led anxiety workshop which will be running in September.

Free School Meal Entitlement

All children who are eligible for Free School meals are also eligible for free holiday activity clubs in the summer holiday. We would strongly encourage any parent who thinks they might be eligible to follow the link to complete a brief online application at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals from where you will receive an instant response as to your eligibility status.



Are you entitled?

The criteria includes anyone claiming the following:

- Income Support.
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Child Tax Credit - but no element of Working Tax Credit - and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC)) that does not exceed £16,190.
- If you are supported under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.
- Working Tax Credit during the four week period immediately after your employment finishes or after you start to work less hours per week.
- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (as from 1 April 2018).

Year 6 Rotary Quiz

The Year 6 Rotary quiz was held last night and we were so proud of the children who took part. They achieved a total score of 118 out of 150 questions which is amazing. Well done to you all.



Diary Dates

Please see below the diary dates for the Summer 2022 term
Any new dates added in the future will be in bold and italics

Date	Event
13 th June	STARS meeting 7:30pm at school
<i>16th – 17th June</i>	<i>Book Fair 3:15pm (or in school if money sent with child)</i>
16 th June	7pm – New Reception Parents evening
17 th June	STARS Father's Day shop
23 rd June	2.45pm Year 5/6 Parents meeting regarding the residential trip
30 th June	9.30am – 10.30am New Reception children taster session 1
2 nd July	STARS Summer fair
5 th July	2.00pm – 3.00pm New Reception children taster session 2
6 th – 8 th July	Stibbington Residential – Year 5/6
13 th July	Change Over Morning – meet your new teacher
13 th July	11.00am – 12.30pm New Reception children taster session 3 including lunch
19 th July	Year 6 Leavers Celebration 9.30am
21 st July	Church Service – everyone welcome
21 st July	Summer term closes
22 nd July	Extra bank holiday owed due to Queens Jubilee. School closed.



Father's Day Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake – 15th June

Order your Father's Day Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake online by 15th June for collection on 17th June. The link is here:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stars/#.YqHxxKZkCUk>

Father's Day Shop - Fri 17th June

Pre-pay online for the Father's Day Shop by 16th June. The shop will be open during school hours on 17th June.

The pre-payment link is here:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stars/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=49548#.YqHyXqZkCUk>

If you are sending money into school please ensure it is in a named envelope or purse.

Summer Fair Saturday 2nd July (1pm-4pm)

Volunteers - Volunteers are still needed if we are to be able to run the Summer Fair. Please do let the committee know your availability both before the event and on the day. Thank you.

Donations

Thank you to those that have dropped in teddy bears and pre-loved uniform this week. If you have forgotten to drop any items in, we will of course be very happy to take them next week.



Next week, w.c. 13th June we will be looking for filled Jam Jars for the Jam Jar Tombola. If you need any empty jam jars, there will be some for collection by the gates after school on Monday. Please collect a jar or two and return them filled by Friday. Thank you.

Week Commencing 20th June we will be looking for donations of wine. No empty bottles required...make of that what you will...

Please drop any wine into the office by the Friday. Thank you.

Look out for the reminders for these collections on the STARS Facebook page.



STARS MEETING – 13th June

Please join us for a face-to-face STARS meeting in the school Monday 13th June at 7:30pm.

No experience or knowledge required. STARS, stands for Support Team for Abbots Ripton School and, as such, all parents (and grandparents!) are automatically a member of STARS so please do come along and help support our school.

Among other items, we will be looking at the Summer Fair planning. Please get in touch if you have an idea or want to help but are unable to attend.

New Communications Agent Needed

Averil is stepping down as Communications Agent for STARS. Please do speak to her or a member of the committee if you can take over this role.