

Autumn Equinox

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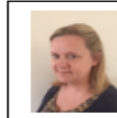


Joanne Fennelly.
Headteacher.

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



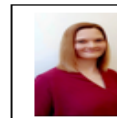
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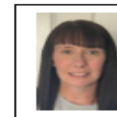
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Natalie Richards. EYFS Lead.

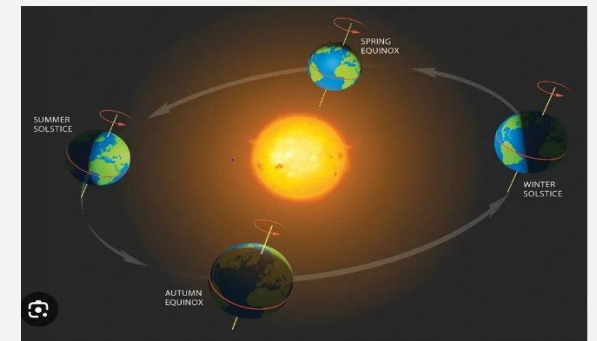


Natalie Parsonson. SENDCO.

The autumnal equinox happens twice a year when the sun is positioned in line with equator making day and night equal lengths.

Key Facts & Information behind Equinox's:

- The Earth orbits the sun on its own axis, which is tilted at 23.5 degrees, meaning that the hemispheres lose warmth from the sun when they tilt away. The axial tilt and the Earth's orbit also means that at certain times of the year, the sun sits right above the equator. This phenomenon happens twice a year.
- When equinoxes happen, a terminator, also known as the twilight zone, is seen as a dividing line between the light and dark parts of the Earth directly through the North and South Poles.
- Besides the Earth, every other planet in the solar system experiences seasonal changes.



**THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE**



THANK YOU
for keeping our school safe!



**Please, No Nuts nor
chocolate or nut spreads.**

**We have children with
Nut allergies in our
school**

Dates for your



Date	Year group	Event
23rd September	Year 4	Year 4 Multiplication Check Parents Meeting 08:50am
26th September	New Parents for 2025	Mainstream, Reception 2025 intake Open Evening
3rd October	Whole School	Individual photos. Siblings from 8:00am. Full uniform to be worn or, if a PE day, then full PE uniform to be worn
16th October	Year 3	Harvest Assembly – Year 3 Parents welcome
18th October	Whole School	Short Reports home
22nd & 24th October	Whole School	Parents Evening (TLCs) Booking opens on Monday 23rd at 6pm
13th December	Whole school	Clubs finish for this term

Simon de Senlis Primary Weekly Update – 20th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers attend the 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Wednesday. I always enjoy my presentation to you as we begin the year, sharing achievements from last year and the areas of focus for the year ahead. Year after year, we see achievements across school from all children, both emotionally, socially and academically. The great teaching, fabulous learning and support from home all work together for everyone's best outcomes. What a great team we are!

This year, we will continue to have a focus on reading across school. As I explained during my presentation, the more you can read with your child and embed a love of reading, the more able your child will be to access and achieve across all areas of the curriculum, along with developing empathy, imagination and a positive wellbeing. Reading really does grow the brain!

I hope you can find some time to read with your child over the weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Fennelly

BENEFITS OF READING WITH YOUR CHILD

Develops
empathy

Improves
mental health

Increases
general
knowledge

Strengthens
neurons in the
brain

Reduces
stress

Improves
imagination

Supports all
areas of the
curriculum

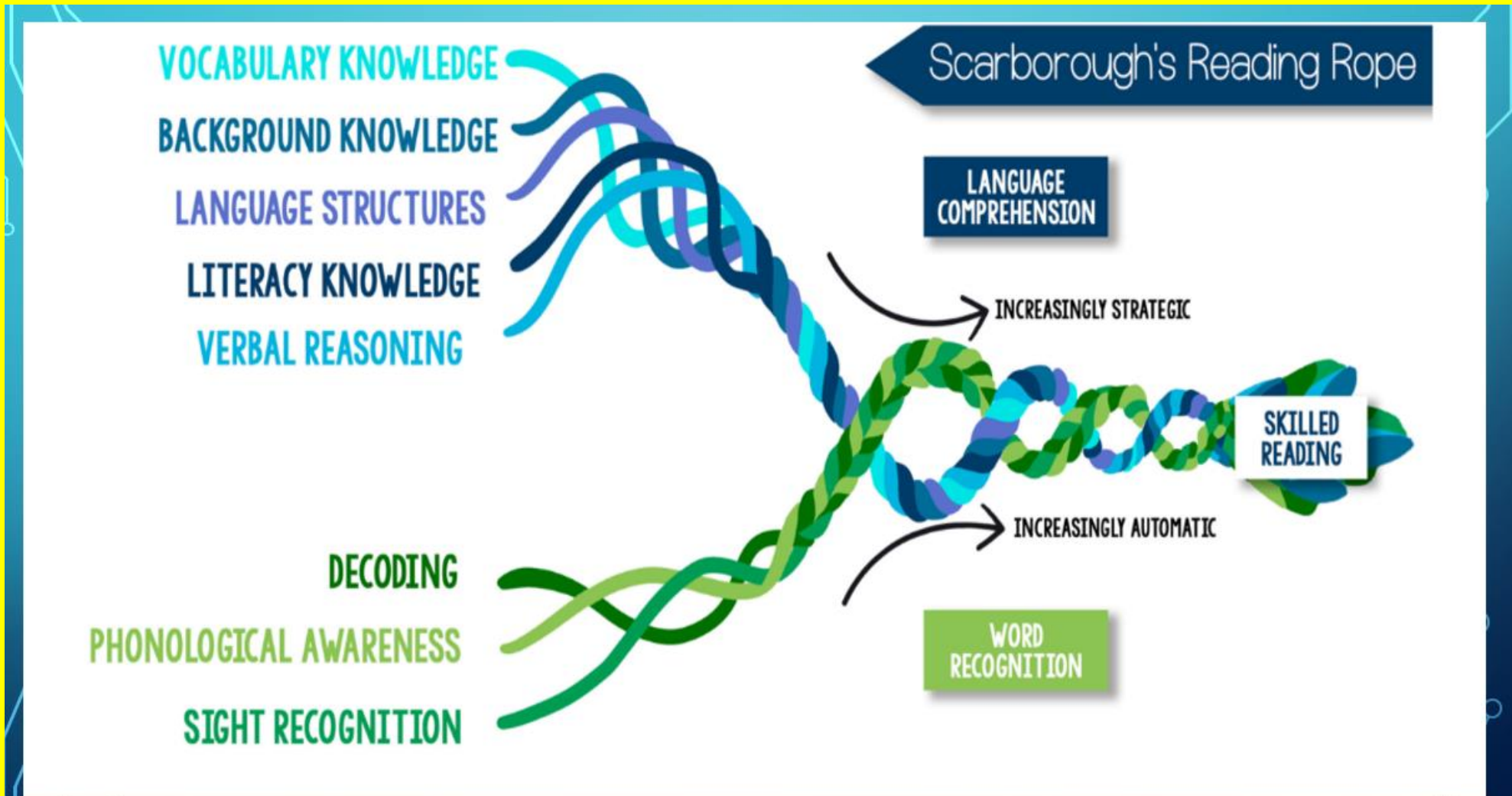
THE IMPACT OF READING DAILY

Child A reads for 20 minutes
per day and hears 1,800,000
words

Child B reads for 5 minutes
per day and hears 282,000
words

Child C reads for 1 minute per
day and hears 8,000 words

HOW DO CHILDREN LEARN TO READ?



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- Read to your child often
- Listen to your read child
- Visit the library for access to free books
- Talk to your child about books they like
- Play talking and reading games with your child

Think of the Week

A **think** is an **unusual question** that makes you **think**. A beguiling question about everyday things that stops you in your tracks and helps you start to look at the world in a whole new light.



**Fiction or non
fiction books- which
do you feel have the
most impact on the
reader?**





**SCOOTERS AND BIKES MUST BE PUSHED
WITHIN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS AND NOT
RIDEN. PLEASE SECURE THESE IN THE
RACKS PROVIDED IN THE PLAYGROUND..**



Parents and visitors are reminded that Danes Camp and Tesco supermarket kindly offer free parking for dropping off and picking up your children.

**The car park at school is for staff parking,
and Blue badge holders**



**Please leave our disabled bays for our disabled staff and visitors,
access is required at all times.**

Many thanks

Class Leadership Roles



School Council

Eco
Ambassadors

Reading
Ambassadors

Maths
Ambassadors

Outdoor
Learning leads

Wellbeing
Champions

Play Leaders



A red pushpin is pinned to a calendar page. The calendar background is light blue with faint numbers and grid lines. Overlaid on the calendar is the text "APPLICATIONS TO BE BROUGHT IN ON MONDAY!" in a bold, dark brown font. The text is arranged in three lines: "APPLICATIONS TO BE" on the top line, "BROUGHT IN" on the middle line, and "ON MONDAY!" on the bottom line. The exclamation point is white.

**APPLICATIONS TO BE
BROUGHT IN
ON MONDAY!**

Class Leadership Roles- How to apply

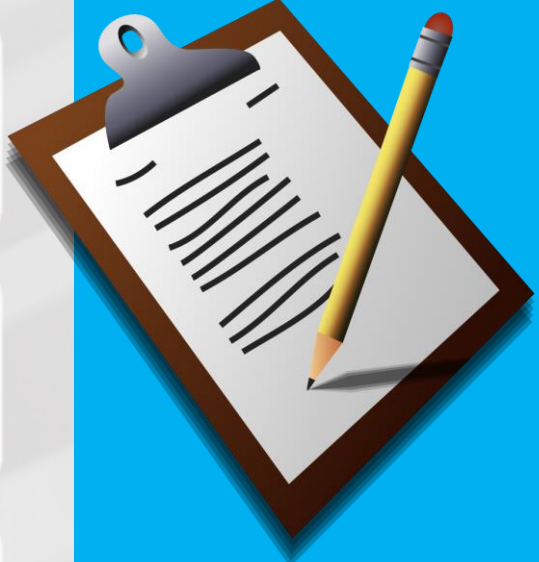


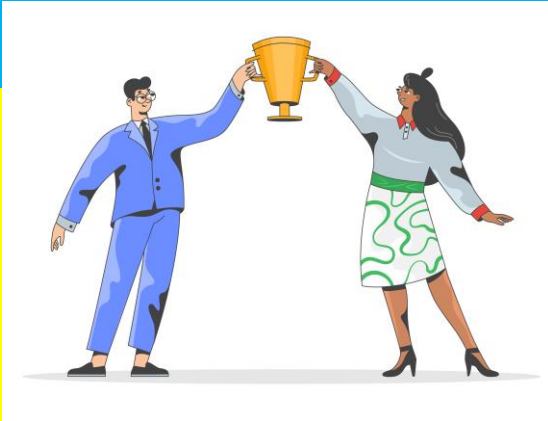
Share with your class the reasons why you should be chosen for the role.

You could make a poster, powerpoint or letter to explain your reasons.

Bring this into school by Monday September 23rd.

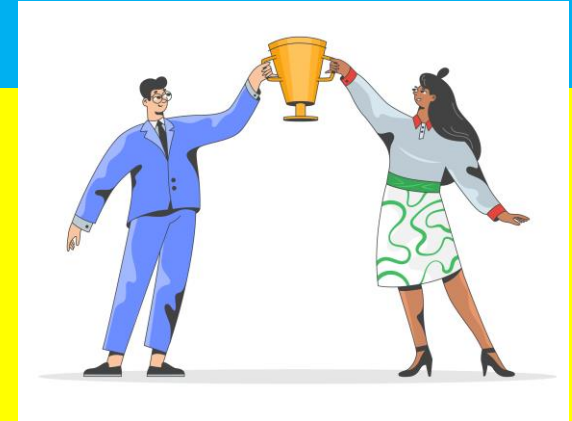
During the week, presentations and voting will take place.





School Awards

Great news!



We are so proud to have been awarded the Music Mark award for our dedication to music across the whole school.

We are also so proud to have been awarded the School Sport Games Gold award for our commitment to sports across the school.



**MUSIC MARK
SCHOOL**

2024 - 2025



SCHOOL
GAMES

GOLD

2023/24



Parents Evening / TLCs

We will be holding our Termly Learning Conferences (TLCs) on: Tuesday October 22nd and Thursday October 24th
Appointments are from 3:30pm – until 6:10pm.

Booking opens on Monday 23rd September at 6pm

To book your appointment please type the following into your browser:

<https://simondesenisorg.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



Parents Evening / TLCs

All you need to login and book is :

- Your name
- Your email addresses
- Full name of your child
- Child's date of birth

To book type the following into your browser:

<https://simondesenlisorg.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Simon de Senlis Primary School



Reception Places Sept 2025

Come and visit our OUTSTANDING school to hear about our ethos and see our amazing staff and children in our engaging learning environment.

September 26th 2024 at 6:00pm | October 10th 2024 at 9:30am
November 12th 2024 at 6:00pm | December 10th 2024 at 9:30am
January 7th 2025 at 6:00pm

Book your place at: www.simondesenlis.org



OFSTED Report:





Application for Reception Places

We're now starting the process for entry into reception at primary and infant schools, from the start of the new academic year in September 2025. The application portal is now live for parents/carers to submit their school preferences at www.westnorthants.gov.uk/admissions.

Parents have until 15 January 2025 to apply, with online applicants being notified by email on the national offer day – 16 April 2025. Paper applicants will be notified by letter which will be posted out on offer day. Any application forms received by School Admissions *after* 15 January will be considered as late and won't be considered until May 2025 onwards.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to apply [online](#) and read the online prospectus - *Applying for a Primary School Place for 2025-26*. This provides detailed information on schools and the application process.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR PUPIL PREMIUM

Pupil Premium Payment 2024-2025

As you may be aware all children are entitled to free school meals whilst they are in reception class, year 1 and year 2 under government initiatives. Are you also aware that your child could be eligible for additional support via the Pupil Premium fund that the school receives?

If your application is successful, you will receive:

- School uniform voucher for the year.
- Funding to help pay for school trips.
- Funding to help pay for school clubs.
- Loan of forest school clothing for the year.
- Reception snack paid for – if applicable.

Do you or your partner receive any of the following?

- Income Support.
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance.
- Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) **with no element of Working Tax Credit.**
- National Asylum Seekers Support.
- Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit.
- Employment and Support Allowance (income related).
- Universal Credit (income dependant).

To check your eligibility please follow the link below and select 'Apply for the Pupil premium' Alternatively collect a form from the office and we can complete the application on your behalf.

<https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/Pages/pupil-premium.aspx>



WANTED

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM



Please drop off at the school office by 4 October.

The next pre-loved uniform sale will be on 11 October.

All proceeds go to Friends of Simon de Senlis to support the school.

Sports - Girls Rugby



Saints have launched a new Girls Rugby Camp Programme for the 2024/25 season to engage new and existing girls into the sport during the lead up to hosting the Rugby World Cup 2025.

Our new rugby camp format offers both full and half days options, giving more girls who might be new to the sport the flexibility to try rugby!

The camps are open to girls aged 6 - 16 years of age, in the Under 7 - Under 16 age groups (Year 2 - Year 11).

Use our 'SCHOOLS2425' discount code to get £10 off. This means a **Free Half Day Camp** and a **Half Price Full Day Camp!**

Monday 28th October @ Northampton Casuals

- Half Day Camp: 08:30 - 12:30
- Full Day Camp: 08:30 - 15:30

Tuesday 29th October @ cinch Stadium at Franklin's Gardens

- Half Day Camp: 08:30 - 12:30
- Full Day Camp: 08:30 - 15:30

Friday 1st November @ Old Northamptonians

- Half Day Camp: 08:30 - 12:30
- Full Day Camp: 08:30 - 15:30

Further details can be found on our website under 'book a camp' or scan the QR code on the flyer attached.

Enjoy, and stay active – Miss Bland

Why not pop down to Franklins Gardens and watch the amazing rugby matches and cheer for your team.



HALF-TERM CAMPS 2024

FOR GIRLS AGED 6-16 | ALL ABILITIES WELCOME



Monday 28th October

Northampton Casuals RFC

Tuesday 29th October

Cinch Stadium at Franklins Gardens

Friday 1st November

Old Northamptonians RFC

Use **SCHOOLS2425** for a **FREE** Half Day Camp or **HALF PRICE** Full Day Camp

@SaintsComm @northamptonsaintscommunity @northamptonsaints @saintsrugby
 @LightningRugby @northamptonsaintscommunity @lightningrugby



SAT 5 OCT @3.00PM

CINCH STADIUM @ FRANKLIN'S GARDENS

Year 6 Transition information for the Secondary Schools in Northampton 2024

**The information on the next slides is for pupils due to start
secondary school in September 2025.**

If you have any queries, please call the schools direct.

Parents to apply for Secondary School places by:

5pm on 31st October 2024

@ www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

NOTE - This information is for pupils due to start secondary school in September 2025
If you have any queries, please call the schools direct. Parents to apply for Secondary School places by 5pm on 31st October 2024 @ www.northamptonshire.gov.uk



Year 6 Transition information for the Secondary Schools in Northampton 2024

Name of School	Open Evening Date 2024
Abbeyfield School 01604 763616	Thursday 10th October 2024 5pm – 7pm, parents do not need to book.
Billing Brook School 01604 773910	TBC
Kingsthorpe College 01604 716106	Wednesday 25th September 2024 Headteacher Talks at 5.30pm & 6.15pm. Further information available on website www.kingsthorpecollege.org.uk
Malcolm Arnold Academy 01604 778000	Thursday, 26th September 2024 6.00pm – 7.00pm – Please check their website to confirm nearer the time - www.malcolmarnoldacademy.co.uk
Northampton Academy	Wednesday 2nd October 2024 5.30pm – 8.00pm. Principal's Presentations at 5.30 pm and 6.30 pm • Tours from 6.00 pm. Booking required - https://www.northampton-academy.org/openevenings
Northampton International Academy (NIA) 01604 212811	Thursday 26th September 4.30-6.30pm



Northampton School (new)

Presentation Evenings:

Monday 23rd September 2024 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Monday 23rd September 2024 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Wednesday 25th September 2024 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday 25th September 2024 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Parents/Carers will be able to book a place at a Presentation Evening via Ticketsource

Open Morning Tours:

Monday 30th September 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Tuesday 1st October 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Wednesday 2nd October 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Thursday 3rd October 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Parents/Carers will be able to book a place at the Presentation Mornings via Ticketsource in September.

Northampton School for Boys
01604 230240

Presentation Evenings:

Monday 16th September 2024 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Monday 16th September 2024 - 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Wednesday 18th September 2024 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday 18th September 2024 - 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Parents/Carers will be able to book a place at a Presentation Evening via Ticketsource

Open Morning Tours:

Monday 23rd September 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Tuesday 24th September 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Wednesday 25th September 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Thursday 26th September 2024 - 9:00am and 9:45am

Parents/Carers will be able to book a place on the Open Morning Tours via Eventbrite



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Northampton School for Girls 01604 679540	Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th October Open day tours on the following Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
The Duston School 01604 460004	TDS' open week takes place during the week commencing 23/9 and will run twice a day, every day, in the school day. Parents will be invited to attend via Eventbrite: https://buytickets.at/thedustonschool/1315850 , details on the website – www.thedustonschool.org
Northgate School Arts College 01604 714098	Wednesday 18th September 2024 Parents need to phone in and book either 6pm or 7pm slot (01604 714098)
The Northampton Academy 01604 210017	Wednesday 2nd October 2024 Principal's Presentations at 5.30 pm and 6.30 pm • Tours from 6.00 pm Book via - https://www.northampton-academy.org/openevenings
Thomas Becket Catholic School - 01604 493211	Thursday 19th September 2024 Head teacher talks at 5.30pm and 6.30pm. Although booking isn't essential it will help us plan the evening and bookings can be made at - https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/63394
Weston Favell Academy 01604 402121	Thursday 3rd October 2024 Please email Mr Patel (transition lead) on npatel@westonfavellacademy.org if you require any further information.
Wootton Park School 01604 931139	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25th September 2024 5pm – 7pm • 17th October 2024 5pm – 7pm book: https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code/s9333



<p>Campion 01604 833900</p>	<p>We will be holding 5 Morning tours on the dates below</p> <p>26th September 2024 / 3rd October 2024 / 10th October 2024 /17th October 2024</p> <p>24th October 2024</p> <p>All tours start at 9.00am and will be finished between 10.30am and 11.00am</p> <p>Parents will need to book via the school website</p>
<p>Caroline Chisholm 01604 669200</p>	<p>Thursday 26th September 5pm – 8pm. Tickets are via Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/year-7-september-2025-open-evening-tickets-995283629127?aff=oddtcreator</p>
<p>Elizabeth Woodvale 01604 861184</p>	<p>Thursday 10th October 2024 - South Site, Deanshanger - 5.30pm Thursday 3rd October 2024 - North Site, Roade</p> <p>Booking is required. Please contact either site for the booking link.</p>
<p>Guilsborough Academy 01604 740641</p>	<p>Thursday 3rd October 2024</p> <p>Please book tickets via https://www.guilsborough.northants.sch.uk/</p>
<p>Moulton School 01604 641600</p>	<p>Thursday 3rd October and Thursday 10th October 2024. https://www.moultonschool.co.uk/</p>



PARENTS/CARERS:

Please keep re-checking the secondary school websites to ensure your information is up-to-date.

Self-Care September 2024

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Find time for self-care. It's not selfish, it's essential

2 Notice the things you do well, however small

3 Let go of self-criticism and speak to yourself kindly

4 Plan a fun or relaxing activity and make time for it

5 Forgive yourself when things go wrong. Everyone makes mistakes

6 Focus on the basics: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time

7 Give yourself permission to say 'no'

8 Be willing to share how you feel and ask for help when needed

9 Aim to be good enough, rather than perfect

10 When you find things hard, remember it's ok not to be ok

11 Make time to do something you really enjoy

12 Get active outside and give your mind and body a natural boost

13 Be as kind to yourself as you would to a loved one

14 If you're busy, allow yourself to pause and take a break

15 Find a caring, calming phrase to use when you feel low

16 Leave positive messages for yourself to see regularly

17 No plans day. Make time to slow down and be kind to yourself

18 Ask a trusted friend to tell you what strengths they see in you

19 Notice what you are feeling, without any judgement

20 Enjoy photos from a time with happy memories

21 Don't compare how you feel inside to how others appear outside

22 Take your time. Make space to just breathe and be still

23 Let go of other people's expectations of you

24 Accept yourself and remember that you are worthy of love

25 Avoid saying 'I should' and make time to do nothing

26 Find a new way to use one of your strengths or talents

27 Free up time by cancelling any unnecessary plans

28 Choose to see your mistakes as steps to help you learn

29 Write down three things you appreciate about yourself

30 Remind yourself that you are enough, just as you are



SEND Local Offer

If you have a child with SEND, take a look at the SEND Local Offer from West Northants Council. There are many support teams and offers available.

[Local Offer | West Northamptonshire Council \(westnorthants.gov.uk\)](https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk)



[About the Local Offer](#)

What to expect on the Local Offer and how it can help you to find the information you need



[Information for parents](#)

Parents explained what had helped them and hope that their experiences and knowledge will help other parents



[Information for young people \(Easy Read\)](#)

Preparing for the future is important. As children grow up, there are new things to think about and prepare for



[Activities and leisure - Local Offer](#)



[Disabled Children's Register](#)



[Early years - Local Offer](#)



Food Aid / Community Larders. No referral required

Day	Time	Location	Membership / costs
Monday	1:30pm – 2:15pm	Roade village Hall. Bailey Brooks Lane. NN7 2LS	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Monday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Tuesday	2pm – 3pm & 6pm - 7pm	The Nest, Woodford Halse Primary Academy, Scrivens Hill, Woodford Halse, NN11 3SU.	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Tuesday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Wednesday	11am - 1pm	Dostiyo Community Fridge. Northampton Town Centre	No Criteria
Wednesday	4:15pm – 6pm	Towcester Community Larder Riverside Centre, Islington Road, Towcester, NN12 6AU	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:15pm	Brixworth Community Larder	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w

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Day	Time	Location	Membership / costs
Wednesday	5:30pm – 6:15pm	Moulton Community Larder	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Wednesday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Thursday	10am – 11:30am	Towcester Community Larder Riverside Centre, Islington Road, Towcester, NN12 6AU	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Thursday	11am - 1pm	Dostiyo Community Fridge. Northampton Town Centre	No Criteria
Thursday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Friday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Saturday	12pm - 2pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Sunday	12pm - 2pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items



Key

School Holidays		Teacher Training Days	
Pupil Days		Bank Holidays	



NPAT Academic Calendar 25/26

Teacher Training Days

Monday 1st September 2025
 Tuesday 2nd September 2025
 Monday 3rd November 2025
 Monday 5th January 2026
 Monday 20th July 2026*
 (disaggregated)

September 2025					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

October 2025					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

November 2025					
Mon	3	10	17	24	
Tue	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thu	6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

December 2025					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	31
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

January 2026					
Mon		5	12	19	26
Tue		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thu	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30

February 2026					
Mon	2	9	16	23	
Tue	3	10	17	24	
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thu	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

March 2026					
Mon	2	9	16	23	30
Tue	3	10	17	24	31
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thu	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

April 2026					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	

May 2026					
Mon		4	11	18	25
Tue		5	12	19	26
Wed		6	13	20	27
Thu		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29

June 2026					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

July 2026					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

August 2026					
Mon	3	10	17	24	31
Tue	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thu	6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

NEWS FOR OUR CHILDREN



A Platform Palaver!

Every year on September 1st, Harry Potter fans gather at King's Cross Station in London to hear a special announcement about the Hogwarts Express. At 11.00 a.m., there's usually a fun message that makes everyone feel like they're on Platform 9 $\frac{3}{4}$, just like in the world of Harry Potter! But this year, the magical Hogwarts Express announcement was cancelled. The station explained that it has been stopped due to safety concerns, as the station can get very crowded with fans. Harry Potter fan, Emily, who has visited the event before, said, 'I'm really sad that the announcement isn't happening this year. It's such a magical moment for fans. But I



Pictured: Platform 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ at King's Cross Station, London. **Source:** Canva.

understand that they want to keep everyone safe.' Visitors can still go to King's Cross to see the famous Platform 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ sign. While it's disappointing the tradition didn't happen this time, many fans are hopeful it will return next year, bringing the magic back to King's Cross!

Plastic Pollution

A new study has found that Coca-Cola, PepsiCo, Nestlé, and Danone are the biggest sources of plastic pollution in the world. The study was done by a group called Break Free From Plastic. They looked at plastic waste in 84 countries between 2018 and 2022. Over 100,000 volunteers collected 1.8 million pieces of plastic from beaches, rivers, and parks. Many of these were single-use containers. Plastic pollution is dangerous for wildlife and adds to global warming. Companies like Coca-Cola and PepsiCo are

trying to improve recycling, but only 9% of plastic is recycled. Experts say reducing plastic use is the best idea. Researcher, Natalie, remains hopeful, saying plastic pollution 'is a challenge we can solve'. World leaders will meet in November to discuss ways to reduce plastic waste.



Pictured: Plastic waste. **Source:** Canva.

How can communities help each other in times of difficulty?



We can help our teachers at school by listening and trying our best.

Freddie

Let us know what you think about this week's news



picture-news.co.uk/discuss



help@picture-news.co.uk



@HelpPicture

Clever Canines!

Researchers, at the Eotvos Lorand University in Hungary, have discovered that talented dogs can remember the names of toys for at least two years! Five special border collies: Gaia, Max, Whiskey, Squall and Rico learned the names of multiple toys and were tested to see how many they remembered two years later. The study is part of the Genius Dog Challenge (GDC) and the dogs involved did really well. The results showed that four of the five dogs remembered the names of 60-75% of the toys. GDC is encouraging owners to contact the website if their dogs can identify toys by name. Two of the dogs are pictured.



Dr Claudia Fugazza, from Eotvos Lorand University in Hungary, commented on the study, saying, 'We know that dogs can remember events for at least 24 hours and odours for up to one year, but this is the first study showing that some talented dogs can remember words for at least two years.' She also explained that the dogs participating in the study had been identified as having a talent for learning words previously, saying, 'The findings of our current study cannot be generalised to other dogs because we only tested GWL (gifted word learner) dogs, individuals that show a special talent for acquiring object words.'

Do you know any clever canines? What would you like to teach a pet to do?



Pictured right: Coraline with some of her toys.
Pictured above: Jesse and his 130 toys.
Source: Genius Dog Challenge on Facebook.

LEGO Replay!

LEGO have announced that they will be making their bricks from 50% recycled plastic by 2026! They also said that this move is going to cost them more money because the renewable resin that they will use is 70% more expensive. LEGO don't want to pass the increase in price on to their customers. 'The costs of these materials will not be passed on to the consumers, it will be absorbed by the LEGO Group on our bottom line,' the company said. LEGO has set the target date of 2032 to reach a goal of using entirely renewable and recycled materials.

LEGO's Replay program has also extended. Replay allows people to send the LEGO bricks that they no longer require to be reused or recycled by the company. LEGO even pay for the postage! The bricks are washed, sorted into new sets and donated to be



Pictured: A Lego scene of Notre Dame.
Source: Lego on Facebook.

played with again. Over 400,000 sets of repurposed bricks have been given away so far. When LEGO Replay was launched in the UK, Tim Brooks from LEGO said, 'We want to rehome, repurpose or recycle every LEGO brick to keep them in play for longer. We hope LEGO Replay will help even more people donate their LEGO bricks with ease and feel proud they are supporting playful learning for children across the country.'

Can you think of other ways to recycle toys?

How can communities help each other in times of difficulty?



My granny always says to treat others how we would like to be treated, and I think that is great advice.

Ed



TAKEHOME

16th - 22nd
September



How can photos shape
the world?

In the news this week

The Wildlife Photographer of the Year shortlist has recently been announced, with just 100 photos left in the competition, following a record-breaking 59,228 entries! The winners will be revealed on 8th October and displayed in the Natural History Museum in London. To celebrate its Diamond Jubilee (60 years) this year, the competition has also introduced a new Impact Award to recognise conservation successes and stories of hope.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you think of any wider benefits of people learning about the Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition?
- > Do you enjoy photography? Do you prefer looking at or taking photos?
- > Do you have a favourite photo? What is it of, and who took it?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Events and Sporting Activities



Families, Fun & Fellowship

St Benedict's church (NN4 9UG)

Sunday 29th Sept

3.30 – 5.00 pm



We are holding an event to have fun, make things, and celebrate our world.

Crafts, story and food, for families with primary aged children plus brothers and sisters.

Tea, coffee and cake for adults.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please phone or email to book your places:

admin@stbens.uk or vicar@stbens.uk

www.stbenedictschurchnorthampton

Free Event





Pitsford School

All areas of the school will be open: Pre-School, Juniors, Seniors
and our NEW Sixth Form Centre. Come and see our school in action!

'Excellent'

*ISI Inspection
2022*

OPEN DAY

Saturday 28th September 2024

10.30am - 1.00pm



"Nurturing, friendly and safe
- my child has thrived"

Please use the QR Code above or
email registrar@pitsfordschool.com



North Campus - Roade

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

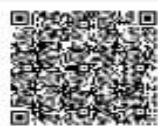


“You really do have wonderful teachers going above and beyond and we as a family are so very grateful.”
Parent, EWS

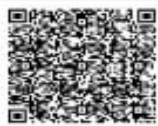
Thursday 3rd October 5pm - 7pm

Join us for a tour of the school (Roade) and talk with the Headteacher.

Talks at 5:15pm or 6pm. **Book today to reserve your place.**



5:15pm Talk



6pm Talk



Elizabeth Woodville School is part of the Tove Learning Trust – a highly successful and local multi academy trust

We are delighted to welcome Year 6 students and their parents into our school. We offer an exciting and vibrant learning environment where students enjoy successes, both in and out of the classroom which help them develop into confident leaders.

✓ **Community**

We are a small community school that is committed to providing opportunities for students to achieve their true potential

✓ **Curriculum**

Our knowledge-rich curriculum is designed to support our students in fostering a life long love of learning

✓ **Care**

We provide a warm, supportive, and stimulating environment where pupils, staff, and parents work together to ensure that every child flourishes

If you are unable to make the open evening. Limited daytime tours are available by contacting Jane Karaolis on the email below.

If you wish to speak to someone, please email jane.karaolis@ewsacademy.org.uk

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ABBNEYFIELD SCHOOL

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

Come and have a talk from our Principal and student leaders, meet our wonderful staff and tour the amazing Abbeyfield School. Find out all the amazing opportunities we have to offer!

THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2024

BOOK YOUR PLACE USING THE QR CODE ON THIS FLYER TALKS AVAILABLE 5PM & 6PM

**AT ABBNEYFIELD SCHOOL VIA
THE COMMUNITY ENTRANCE**

LEARN MORE



www.abbneyfieldschool.org.uk



Supporting a Child with ADHD



Challenge the stereotypes and get practical help

Tuesday 24th Sept (7pm to 9pm) £24

Available to book now
facefamilyadvice.co.uk



SEP/OCT TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each
Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

FREE SESSIONS	
Supporting Kids with School Anxiety	26 SEP
Introduction to Facing Defiance	24 OCT
Understanding Anger	23 SEP
Supporting a Child with ADHD	24 SEP
Understanding the Teenage Brain	7 OCT
Raising Self-Esteem	8 OCT
Decreasing Depression	15 OCT
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT
Understanding Anger	21 OCT
Drug Awareness for Parents	22 OCT
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	31 OCT
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV
Raising Self-Esteem	5 NOV



**Hardingstone,
Moulton, East Hunsbury
and Pineham**



**Award winning music class
for 0 - 5 year olds at Simon de Senlis
Primary School.**

**10am - 10.40am
Friday 13th September - 25th October**



**Book here:
<https://bit.ly/3rn9u>
MJ**

**Contact Lesley at lesley@musicbugs.co.uk
Mobile: 07811 771480**



AUTUMN ATHLETICS

COURSE

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club are pleased to announce a new 4-week athletics course for young athletes in Northampton and surrounding areas. It runs from Saturday September 28th till Saturday 19th October

This course will give an introduction to the track and field events – running, jumping and throwing and is suitable for all – from total novices to more seasoned athletes – no experience required – just lots of energy. The emphasis will be on fitness, skills and fun with all sessions led by qualified club coaches.

When

Saturday mornings 10-15 -11-30

Where

The sessions will take place at the Moulton College athletics track

Who

The sessions are open to both club and non- club athletes NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Costs

R&N members – free

Non-club athletes – £10 per 4 week block

Ages – MINIMUM AGE is Yr 3 at school (aged 7+) – MAXIMUM is Yr 9 at school

Places are limited and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

To register – please complete this google form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfILmuTPWQJeq-bH8kpAuUkm6QFyLE6dsbQAQBVB3fdXeRL_g/viewform

If you have any further questions about the course or the club, please contact us at:

contactus@rugbyandnorthamptonac.org



Share your support on socials!

#MoveForMentalHealth

10:30 AM
SUNDAY
27TH OCT



Wellbeing Walk

Join us in raising awareness and help fundraise for Northampton Saints Foundation who support people aged 4-104 who are affected with mental health issues, by taking part in our community walking event at Irchester Country Park.

Challenge yourself to a 5k or 10k walk or run to help raise funds for a fantastic cause, you can take part as an individual or a group to raise money for charity alongside family and friends. If you would like to sign up to our charity Wellbeing Walk, please email your interest to imogen.martin@northamptonssaintsfoundation.org to register today!

ENTRY COSTS

Individuals **£5** (Aim to raise £50 sponsorship)

Groups **£10** (Aim to raise £100 sponsorship)*

*Maximum of 4 people, 2 Adults and 2 Children



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northamptonssaintsfoundation.org



Register of charities number: 1176345

Have a great weekend

