



Your Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Fennelly

If you have a worry you can talk to your teacher or an adult you trust.

We also have other important people in school who know what to do if you have a serious worry – their pictures are below:



Mrs Fennelly
Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



Mrs De Board
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Richards
Gruffalo Class Teacher



Mrs Holland
Inclusion Leader



Miss Garrard
Nurture Lead

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Dates for your Diary

Date	Year group	Event
3rd May	Whole School	Welcome back after the May Bank-Holiday weekend
5th May	Parents	Jules at Home selling uniform, available from 3:00pm
23rd May	Year 5	Ancient Greek Day
24th May	Reception	Crocodiles of the World
26th May	Whole School	The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations
9th – 10th June	Year 3	Frontier Centre Residential
13th June	Year 1	Woburn Safari Park
22nd June	Year 4	National Art Gallery London
27th June – 1st July	Year 6	West Runton Residential
6 th July	Year 5	National Space Centre
6 th July	Year 2	Hatton Country World



Simon de Senlis Primary Weekly Update – 29th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

One week at a time we are starting to return to what school was like before the pandemic and we can clearly see this with the range of experiences that we have planned for the summer term.

Our first group of children have been on their three-day residential this week, the first residential since 2019! Everyone has had a great time at the Kingswood Centre, West Runton, North Norfolk. Activities have included abseiling, team games, a campfire, a beach investigation and much more- Year 4 have had a wonderful time and I'm sure everyone will sleep well this weekend! Next term we will wave off Year 3 and Year 6 as they go on their residential adventures. In addition, you will have been notified of your child's day trip which will be taking place in the coming weeks. Along with these trips, we will be looking forward to watching Year 5 perform at The Derngate in The Festival and everyone celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the end of May.

We also know that the coming weeks will continue to be filled with wonderful teaching and learning, with the final term of the year being the culmination of learning from September. As always, we are so proud of the dedication of the children and from this we continue to see progress in all areas of their learning.

I hope you enjoy the bank holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Best wishes

Mrs Fennelly

Star of the Week Class Visit



This week we talked about believing in ourselves and our achievements. We also discussed how every minute of our hard work will result in our achievements. We mustn't give up but must feel proud of every great choice we make.

We are so proud of you!



100 books for everyone



We have a huge array of wonderful books in every year group.

Have you been reading the books on your year group 15 book list? Every year group has 15 books to read. These can be found in your year group area.

A huge well done to those children who have read all 15 books and have earned their 'Star Reader' badge.

As a reminder, when you have read 5 books, you will receive a **bronze** certificate, 10 – **silver** and 15 – **gold and a star reader badge**.

If you need a new sheet, please ask your class teacher.

Maths

Place Value with Michael Underwood



White Rose Maths have teamed up with TV presenter, teacher and parent Michael Underwood to bring you a mini-series called Maths with Michael.

The first episode in the series explains the importance of place value . Place value is simply the size of a number and how that number can be broken down. This is always the first 'block' of teaching in all year groups throughout the school. The reason for this is that when children have a secure understanding of numbers, they can apply this knowledge to their future knowledge. Place value is the foundation that future maths is built upon.

Please follow the link below to have a look at the video

<https://whiterosemaths.com/for-parents/maths-with-michael/>

[Maths with Michael | White Rose Maths](#)



Japan: A Floating World in Print Exhibition April 23rd to June 9th.

A captivating display of Japanese prints from the Edo and Meiji masters. The prints encompass the genres of beautiful women and dramatic landscapes. Includes the internationally iconic print *The Great Wave off Kanagawa* by Hokusai.





May The Toys Be With You Exhibition April 30th to September 4th

From a galaxy far, far away comes the UK's finest collection of vintage Star Wars toys and original cinema posters from 1977 – 1985. May The Toys Be With You is both a celebration of the now highly collectible vintage toy line and also of iconic design work and art of the Star Wars movies. This exhibition features toys never exhibited before and is the biggest version of the exhibition ever opened to the public





It's A Bug's Life From May 22nd

Minibeasts, creepy crawlies- whatever you call them the small creatures that share our gardens and live in our fields are important. It's A Bug's Life is a family friendly exhibition that takes a look at their world. Find out how beetles see and hear, how they defend themselves, and how to make a beetle home in your garden or find how a butterfly changes from a caterpillar, what the difference is between a butterfly and a moth and what is mudpuddling.



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.



Does everything have a taste?





“We have lived through some extraordinary times, and we all need to pay attention to how we’re actually feeling. **HeadFest** is an attempt to bring all the useful tools together into one place, and to give access to services and people that you may have to wait weeks or months to see. Take some time with us to think about the real answer to the question, “how are you?”

Presented in collaboration with **BBC Radio Northampton** there will be a weeklong festival of talks, workshops, films and comedy promoting positive mental health and wellbeing. **HeadFest '22 – How Are You?** will take place at the theatre and in the Errol Flynn Filmhouse, from **Monday 9th to Sunday 15 May**.

To book your FREE tickets to a wide range of events please visit the Royal and Derngate website:
<https://www.royalndderngate.co.uk/whats-on/headfest-2022/>

**Many thanks,
Ms Holland**



Warmer weather is on the way.

- Remember your **Water Bottle**
 - Bring a **Sun Hat**
 - Please apply **Sunscreen**

*Please do not use Nivea creams as these contain
Almond Oil*



Computing science is a fundamental principle of our computing curriculum and like other subjects, has specific vocabulary terms to learn. Learning and understanding these terms supports children to become independent computer scientists. Have a go at learning some of the terms below!

Programming is designing and writing instructions for a computer in a language it understands.

Sequence means arranging instructions for algorithms and programs in a particular order.

Repetition in programming means repeating the execution of certain instructions (creating loops).

Selection is when a computer executes instructions if a particular condition is met or not.

A **variable** stores a piece of information in the computer's memory while a program is running so it can be retrieved later.

Computer networks are a collection of computer systems and other devices connected together to 'talk' to each other by exchanging data.

Internet services are a range of services made possible by the internet, including the WWW and email.

A **computer system** is made up of hardware, software and any peripheral devices required to operate it.

Control means writing instructions that control physical systems, such as sensors and motors.

Input data is sent to a computer system from devices such as a keyboard, mouse or sensor.

Output data is sent from a computer system to the outside world, e.g. displayed on a computer screen.

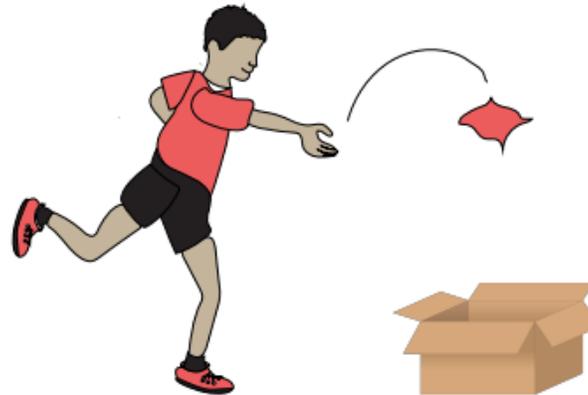
Simulations, such as aircraft simulators, model real-world or imaginary situations to explore different scenarios.



In the Box PE Home Learning

Time to Learn:

- Lay out three boxes in a row.
- Players must throw three steps back from the first box.
- If you throw an object into the nearest box you score one point, if you throw it in the middle box you score two points, if you throw it into the end box you score three points.
- Each player has three throws.
- The player with the most points at the end of the game is the winner.



Can you keep trying your best even if you miss?

Try out some target practice with this In The Box challenge!

Enjoy
Miss Bland



Start with the boxes closer to you. Move the boxes further away when you feel more confident.



Playing on your own or against a partner. How many points can you score in two minutes?



Play with a partner and set yourself a target score to reach. Can you work together to beat your score?

Are you looking for part time job?

We are looking to recruit a reliable and committed Lunchtime Supervisor to join our hard-working team. The successful candidate will be able to work effectively as a member of the team, have excellent interpersonal skills and consistently support the school values and approaches.

Start date ASAP.

Days of work: Monday – Friday

Starting salary: Grade C, Point 2 (£18,198 FTE – pro-rata). Hourly rate £9.43

Contract: Permanent, 5 hours per week (term time only – 38 weeks per year)

If you are interested and would like more details or would like to apply please email: info@simondesenlis.org



Miss Garrard says...

REMINDER

Lessons begin at 8.45am with morning tasks in all classrooms. We know a prompt start in the morning has huge benefits on a child's learning. Unfortunately, repeated lateness can mean children missing vital input required for the day ahead.

Please ensure your child arrives to school on time each morning via their classroom.

If your child arrives through the office after 8:45am they will receive a late mark on the register.

School ends at 3:15pm each day. Please speak to Scallywags if you require alternative child care arrangements.

School staff are unable to supervise your children after 3:15pm.

Attendance

Our school's target for pupil attendance is 96%. If your child's attendance has dropped below this figure we will be writing to inform you of this over the next few weeks.

These letters are sent home as a supportive measure to help parents make informed decisions when it comes to keeping children away from school. A child that is too unwell to come to school should absolutely stay at home, however, many sore throats / colds etc. can pass without affecting a child's attendance.

If you would like to discuss your child's attendance further, please let me know.

Family Fun Day!

Sunday 29th May, 11.00 am till close (2pm Kick off)
Kettering Town Football Club

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& Hughie all
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Please don't forget that we have a wonderful community fridge at the Abbey Centre each Tuesday & Friday from 10:00-12:00 and on Wednesdays from 4:00-6:00.

The fridge has donated food from local supermarkets which are would otherwise be disposed of. The fridge is now open to anyone, to ensure the food is not wasted.



Why not go and take a look?





*Did you know that we're registered with **easyfundraising** and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself?*

When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for Friends of Simon de Senlis.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

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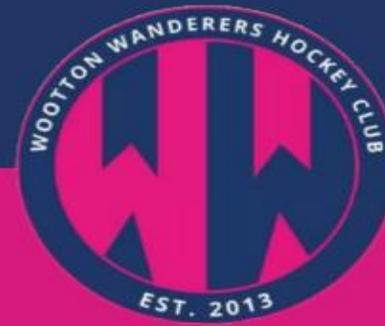
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A NEWSPAPER FOR OUR CHILDREN ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES

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Bullock's swimming pool rescue

Fire crews in Devon have made an unusual rescue - they had to lift a bullock out of a swimming pool near Paignton! The 600kg young animal spent four hours in the swimming pool, after escaping from a nearby field, and ending up trapped in the water. The steer was then hoisted to safety by firefighters using a harness and transferred to a cattle trailer (where he was checked over by a vet) before being returned to the local farmer. Rob Cude, group manager at Devon and

Somerset Fire and Rescue Service, said: "He did spend quite some time with his nose just below the surface blowing bubbles, which he seemed to enjoy. When they started pumping out the water, he seemed to swim along the pool and investigate the pump. All (were) relieved to see him safe and well." The bullock is reported to have suffered no lasting effects from his watery adventure.

Pictured: The bullock being rescued from the swimming pool. **Source:** Buckfastleigh Fire Station.



Pictured: LEGO Star Wars Game - The Skywalker Saga. **Source:** @LSWGame Twitter page.

LEGO Star Wars game released

Big screen actors have reprised their roles in a new video game, 'LEGO Star Wars: The Skywalker Saga'. Actors include Anthony Daniels, who plays C-3PO, a humanoid robot in 10 Star Wars films and Billy Dee Williams, who plays Lando Calrissian, an old friend of Han Solo, firstly in the early 1980s and then in 'The Rise of Skywalker' in 2019. The recently released game, the first outing for the LEGO Star Wars series in six years, sees UK developer TT Games

cover all nine core films in the series. Their website states, "Experience a galaxy far, far away like never before in LEGO Star Wars: The Skywalker Saga." In the game, players can lead their favourite LEGO Star Wars characters into real-time, multiplayer adventures throughout the Star Wars galaxy. Senior producer, James Burgon said, "Anthony Daniels loves it - all his lines are from the heart. He loves it, I don't think anyone has as much joy playing the same character again and again!"

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Longest serving lollipop person retires

Northeast Lincolnshire Council announced this month that the country's longest serving lollipop person, Beryl Quantrill, is retiring after 57 years! Beryl, who is 85 years old, has worked as a school crossing patrol officer, helping children safely cross the road, since 1964. Originally, she worked for 12 years at Barcroft School, in Grimsby before spending a further 45 years assisting pupils, up to three generations of some

local families, at Queen Mary Avenue Infant and Nursery School in Cleethorpes. "I love the job," said Beryl. "I truly believe the reason I am so fit and healthy at my age is because I have spent so much time out and about and walking to work. I'm touched by all of the comments and well-wishes that I've received. I've helped several generations of some families over the years, and I've always looked forward to seeing the children every day."



Pictured: Beryl Quantrill, on her last day as a school crossing patrol officer.
Source: Northeast Lincolnshire Council @NELCouncil Twitter account.

Last week's topic:

Do all inventions have a positive impact on the world?



I don't think 'all' electronic devices are bad, like iPhones and iPads for instance, they're not bad, they're used for research and game purposes. But I do think that if we do make electronics too smart, something would go wrong. We have to be careful.

Luis – age 10

I think that the most positive impact is transport. We wouldn't be able to explore and name countries.

Thomas – age 10

Not all inventions have a positive impact. I think this because inventions like iPads and laptops have stopped people from going outside as much as we used to this upsets me as near me there is beautiful scenery. But on the other hand, hairbrushes and fire escapes are great inventions.

Amelia – age 10

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



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Should pets be protected more than other animals?



In the news this week

Access to a new scheme offering free pet healthcare across 38 European countries, is now available to Ukrainian refugees, who have left the country with their pets to avoid the conflict. Refugees will be able to have treatment costs covered for up to five dogs, cats, horses or other animals as a result of the effort by Humane Society International (HSI). The project, called, Vets for Ukrainian Pets, will provide up to £209 per pet for care and medication.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you have any pets at home? Share your experience of keeping animals at home.
- > Can you think of any examples of animals that people own that aren't pets? E.g., farm animals.
- > Do you think the project, Vets for Ukrainian Pets is a good idea? Share your thoughts on the project. Do you think any more can be done to help the pets of the refugees?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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