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24th September is: Punctuation Day

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

NSPCC HELPLINE
0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk



Dates for your Diary

Date	Year group	Event
27th September	Visitors	6pm- Open Evening for Reception places 2023
18th October	Whole school	Parents Evening- more information to come
20th October	Whole school	Parents Evening-more information to come
3rd November	Whole school	Individual and sibling photographs



Dear Parents and Carers,

After 2 and a half years, it was a pleasure, this morning, to hold our first Star of the Week Assembly as a whole school. Since March 2020, I have delivered the assembly to each class individually, each week and it was wonderful to have our whole school together to celebrate the success of the children. In addition, it was wonderful to invite parents to the assembly and for them to see their child and their achievements. The achievements ranged from being a great writer, being polite and helpful, being a role model to others, receiving feedback on learning to being a great mathematician!

I will continue to visit each class each week to share our poster and to talk about our learning and behaviour ethos. Today, on the class visit we discussed reading, and it was amazing to see how much the children at school enjoy reading. We likened becoming better readers to becoming a better sports person. The more we practice, the better we get.

We end the week on another high, after so many successes and achievements- great work everyone! I am so proud of the whole school!

Please take care over the weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week.

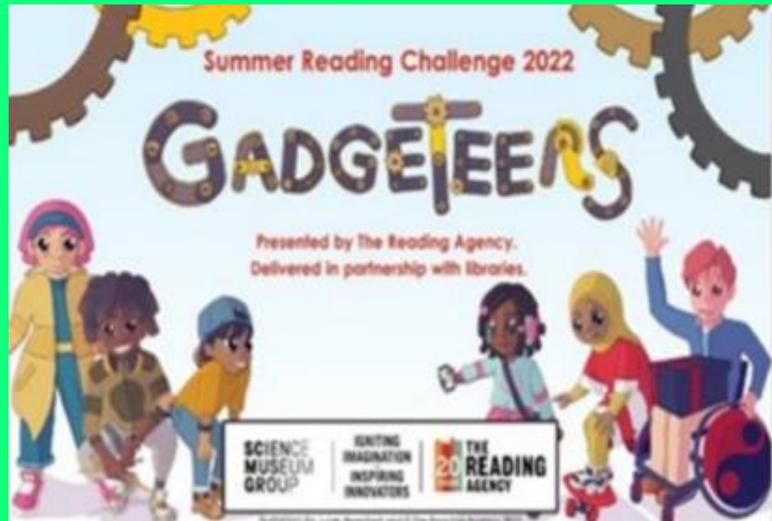
Mrs Fennelly



Reading Challenge- We Are The Winners !

This is great news and congratulations to everyone who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge. You are amazing!

We all LOVE reading!!!



**WE ARE THE WINNERS OF THE
SUMMER READING
CHALLENGE!**



**YOUR DEDICATION IS
AMAZING!!**

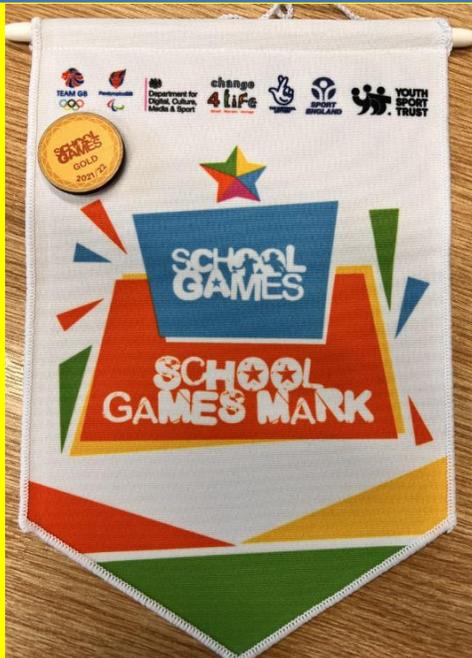
**YOUR LOVE OF
READING IS BRILLIANT
TO SEE!!!**

Poster of the Week

What a fantastic achievement for us to win the Summer Reading Challenge out of all the local schools.

This had to be shared with the classes today and it was wonderful to see their happiness in this award.

**It was a pleasure to see and hear the wide range of books that your child/children are reading and their enjoyment in doing so.
Brilliant work everyone!!**



SCHOOL GAMES GOLD AWARD

I am so proud to share that we have been awarded the Gold Award for School Games for 2021-22! This has been achieved as a result of our fabulous PE curriculum, playtime opportunities, clubs, sport competitions and the sports and play leaders in school. Amazing work everyone!!!



The government and school target for attendance is 96%. This positive attendance of 96% and above means your child will be able to learn and thrive at school. Please remember that any term time holidays will not be authorised, and following policy, a referral may be made to the Local Authority. This may result in a fine being implemented to parents by the Local Authority.





ORACY

“Spoken language development is important as the foundation to reading and writing”

James Clements

Parents play an important role in supporting their child's education.

The most important thing parents can do is to talk with their children and encourage them to think and express themselves. Research shows that children who are able to express themselves and construct an argument are better able to progress in other areas of learning such as reading and writing.

Talking to children helps them to develop social tools and to form relationships. This in turn builds self-esteem which supports mental health and emotional development. The more engaged children are, the more their communication skills will improve leading to improved socialisation and ultimately to success beyond the classroom.

ORACY GAME TO PLAY AT HOME

1. Fillers Beware

This competitive exercise is designed to promote fluent talk, and avoid the use of filler phrases such as 'like', 'you know what I mean', 'err...' and 'umm...'

Ask your child to talk about anything for one minute – it could be subject specific, an anecdote or perhaps what they most look forward to being able to do again when life returns to normal...

Everyone in the game is given one point for every second they speak for, but will lose a point for every 'filler' phrase they use. A student who speaks for sixty seconds without any filler phrases will score 60 points. A person who runs out of material at forty five seconds, and uses five 'filler' phrases will score 40 points.



Miss Garrard says...



Medication Reminder

If your child has a medical care plan in school, this was sent home for you to sign and return last week. Please ensure this is returned at your earliest convenience so we can work from the most up to date information.

Reception parents

If your child has just started reception and has a medical need or allergy/intolerance, please inform the reception team and they can provide you with a medical care plan.



ARE YOU LOOKING AFTER SOMEONE ELSE'S CHILD?

IS SOMEONE ELSE LOOKING AFTER YOUR CHILD?

If you are caring for someone else's child or someone is caring for your child (under 16 or under 18 if disabled) for 28 days or more and you are not a close relative (step-parent, sibling, uncle or aunt or grandparent) then this is called Private Fostering.

Find out about the support available to Private Foster Carers and why it is important to let us know about your arrangement.

CONTACT US

To register a Private Fostering arrangement and to access the support available to you, contact:

MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub)

Criminal Justice Centre, 700 Pavilion Drive, Northampton,

Northamptonshire NN4 7YL

Telephone 0300 126 7000

www.nctrust.co.uk



Northamptonshire
Children's Trust



In today's digitally connected world, children and adults are constantly presented with new ways to engage, react and contribute. We're sociable beings; it's a natural human instinct, especially amongst younger audiences, to want to belong and join in. Viral Challenges (as they're often known) draw on these emotions and, as the name suggests, spread and gather pace very rapidly. New challenges are constantly emerging and evolving. They're often completely innocent, raising awareness of worthy causes or simply providing amusement. However, they can have much more sinister undertones, putting children at risk of physical harm or, in extreme cases, fatal injury.

What parents need to know about ONLINE CHALLENGES

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

As well as having the potential to cause actual physical harm, some challenges can be extremely upsetting for children. Many are created with the sole purpose of instilling fear in an individual in order to coerce them into doing things that could have a long-term emotional effect on them.

'FOMO' - FEAR OF MISSING OUT

The 'Fear of Missing Out' (FOMO) is a strong emotional characteristic, particularly displayed in young people. The nature of viral challenges encourages children to explore and push boundaries. They tap into FOMO by feeding on a child's natural desire to join in, be accepted and share experiences with their friends and the wider online community. A recent study also found that FOMO is one of the greatest causes of Social Media addiction.

STRIVING FOR LIKES

In a major study by the Children's Commissioner, it was found that children as young as ten years old are reliant on 'Likes' for their sense of self-worth. A major concern around viral challenges is not knowing how far children will go to earn 'Likes'. Couple this growing appetite for acceptance with commonplace peer pressure and the potential problem is compounded. The result is that when young people are drawn into online challenges, because it is what all their friends are doing, saying 'no' can seem like a very hard thing to do.

VARYING LEVELS OF RISK

As a parent or carer, it's important to take a balanced view and understand that not everything online has the potential to do harm. Mass-following and interaction can be a force for good. For example, the Ice Bucket Challenge, which swept the nation, set out to raise money and awareness of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). At its height, over 28 million people uploaded, commented on, or liked Ice Bucket Challenge related posts on Facebook. It's equally important to be aware though that online challenges often have a darker side. Malicious trends and challenges can expose children to dangerous or even life-threatening situations, so it's critical that parents and carers are aware of the latest risks and understand what steps to take to mitigate them.

NOS
National Online Safety®

"The coolest person at school will start a trend and then everyone copies her"
Merran, 12, Year 7

"If I got 150 likes, I'd be like that's pretty cool it means they like you"
Aaron, 11, Year 7



Top Tips for Parents



COMMUNICATION & MONITORING

It's important to talk to your child regularly and monitor their online activities. Encouraging honesty and openness, will give you a much clearer viewpoint of how your child is interacting online and what concerns they have. Create an atmosphere of trust. Ensure they feel they can confide in you or another trusted adult regarding anything they may have seen or experienced online that's upset them.

THINK BEFORE ACTING

As with most concerns in life, let common sense prevail when it comes to Viral Challenges. Young people need the freedom and space to explore and going in all guns blazing may well be counter-effective. Address the importance of safety and wellbeing, both online and offline, by getting the facts and understanding the risks. Start a discussion about the Online Challenges that may have captured your child's interest, gauge their likely involvement and explain the importance of thinking and acting independently when it comes to participating.

SETTING UP EFFECTIVE PARENTAL CONTROLS

As with all online activity, ensuring you have effective parental controls set up on all devices will help filter and restrict the dangerous or inappropriate content you don't wish your child to access. Additional measures for protecting your child include checking the privacy settings on your child's devices, monitoring their friends list, ensuring their personal information is safe and secure and keeping a watchful eye on the content they're sharing.

REPORTING & BLOCKING

Parental controls can only go so far in blocking potentially harmful content. A rise in the decoding of social media algorithms, has led to age inappropriate content increasingly appearing on platforms and apps used by children. Where possible, you should regularly monitor what your child sees online and flag/report any content which is inappropriate or dangerous. You should take the time to talk to your child, define what you consider to be appropriate content and show them how to report and block users/accounts themselves.

VALIDATE SOURCES

Not everything is as it seems. Some people create fake content that's designed to 'shock' in order to encourage rapid sharing. If your child has seen something online that has triggered concern you should encourage them to, check its origin, verify that it came from a credible source and check the comments made for any clues to its validity.

FACING REALITY

Trends and Viral Challenges can be tempting for children to take part in; no matter how dangerous or scary they may seem. As a parent or carer it can be difficult to keep pace with the very latest Online Challenges emerging. In recent months these have included potentially dangerous crazes, including the 'Bird Box' challenge, which was inspired by Netflix's popular film and encourages followers to upload videos of themselves attempting everyday tasks while blindfolded. The best advice is to keep talking to your child. Show that your taking an interest and not just prying. Ensure your child knows they don't have to get involved and if they're unsure, let them know you're there to talk before they consider participating. Children often need reassurance that not everything they see online is real. If your child has viewed distressing or frightening content it's important to talk to them about their experience, support them and, if required, help them find additional support.



Would you like to understand more about county lines in Northamptonshire?

Join our panel of experts for a live webinar



Lindsay Dalton
CEO, Pace



Northamptonshire
Police



Sarah Pritchard
Barnardos

Free webinar for parents & carers

5th October, 7.00 - 8.30pm

Do you know how to keep your child safe?

Do you know about county lines and child criminal exploitation?

Are you worried someone is taking advantage of your child, making them do something illegal?



Learn what county lines and child criminal exploitation is



Understand the signs that your child might be at risk or involved



Learn how offenders groom and exploit children



Understand what is happening in your area

Register for your free place here-

[County Lines in Northamptonshire - Free Parent Webinar Tickets, Wed 11 Jan 2023 at 19:00 | Eventbrite](#)



**IS YOUR CHILD IN KS2?
WOULD THEY LIKE TO LEARN TO PLAY A
BRASS INSTRUMENT?**



**IF YES, WE HAVE TWO SPACES AVAILABLE
FOR BRASS TUITION WITH A MUSIC
TEACHER FROM NMPAT.**



**PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION AND COSTS.**

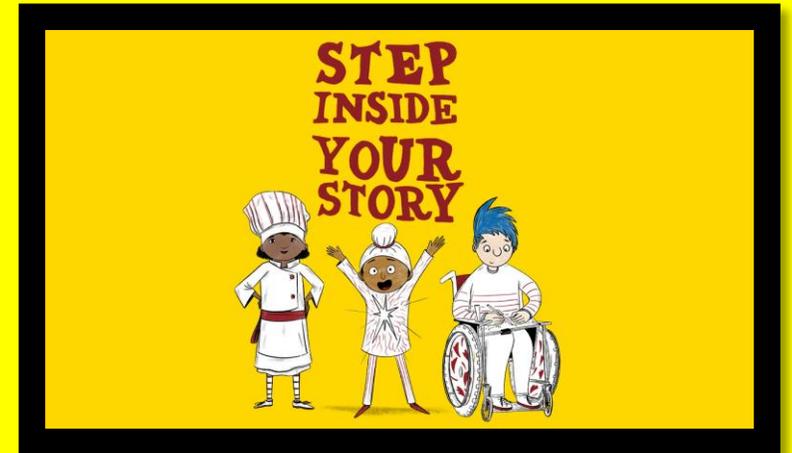


Make your own book competition!

Take a look at this amazing webpage which has details of a competition that you can enter to make your own book. There are also some exciting videos of some famous children's authors talking about how they create their stories!

[Step inside your story | The British Library \(bl.uk\)](https://www.bl.uk/step-inside-your-story)

To enter the competition, you'll need to fully complete the activity on the webpage. This involves making a book about yourself. By completing the 'Step inside your story' activity and sharing photos of your creations with us, you will be entered into a draw to win one of FIVE (5) prizes of £50 National Book Tokens for your school.



The competition will run from 9am on 26 September to 5pm on 28 November 2022.

Mrs Parker and Miss Gedney



Are you, or someone you know, looking for a Reception school place for September 2023? If yes, come along for a school presentation and tour.

Bookings at www.simondesenis.org

Simon de Senlis Primary School



Reception Places Sept 2023

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

September 27th 2022 at 6:00pm | October 11th 2022 at 9:30am
November 16th 2022 at 6:00pm | December 1st 2022 at 9:30am
January 5th 2023 at 6:00pm

Book your place at: www.simondesenis.org



If you are a keen coder and what to practice your coding skills, there are some fantastic tutorials which you can work through from home!

Want to scrub up on your Scratch skills?

Select the Create tab

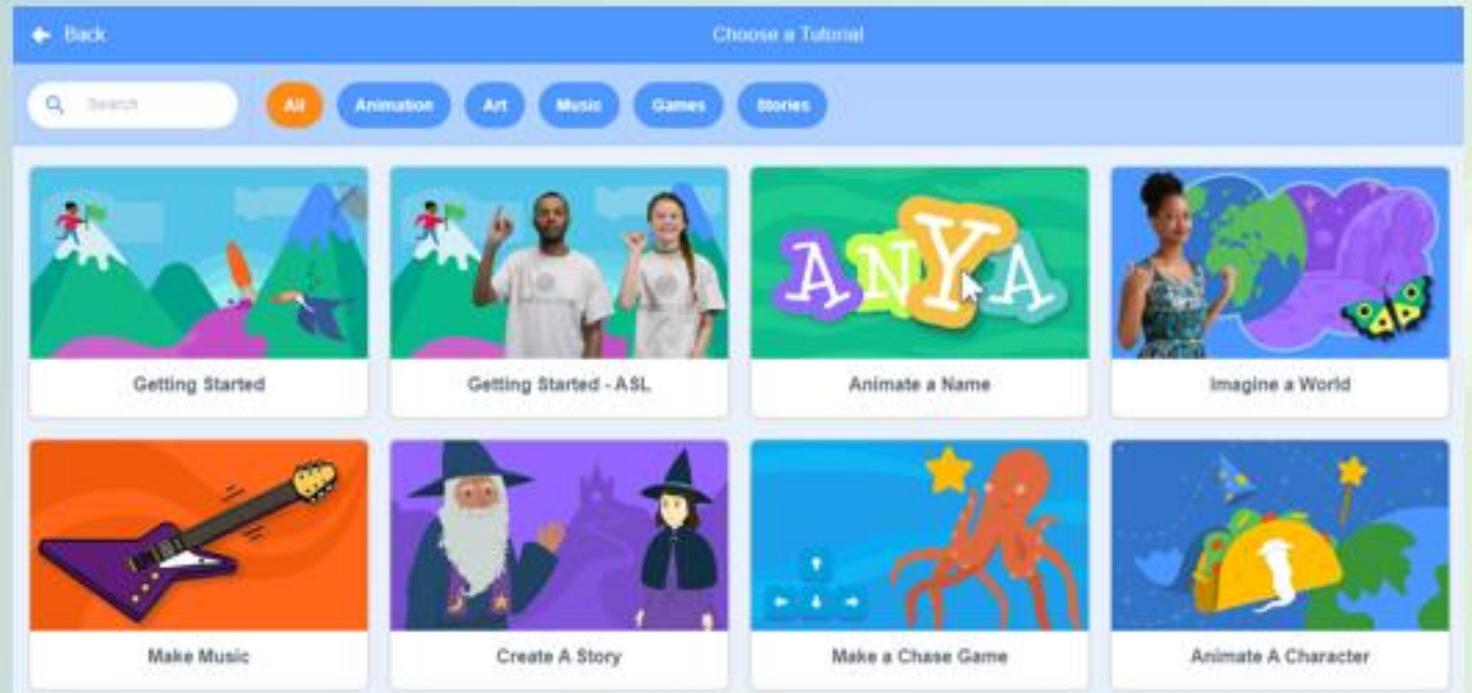


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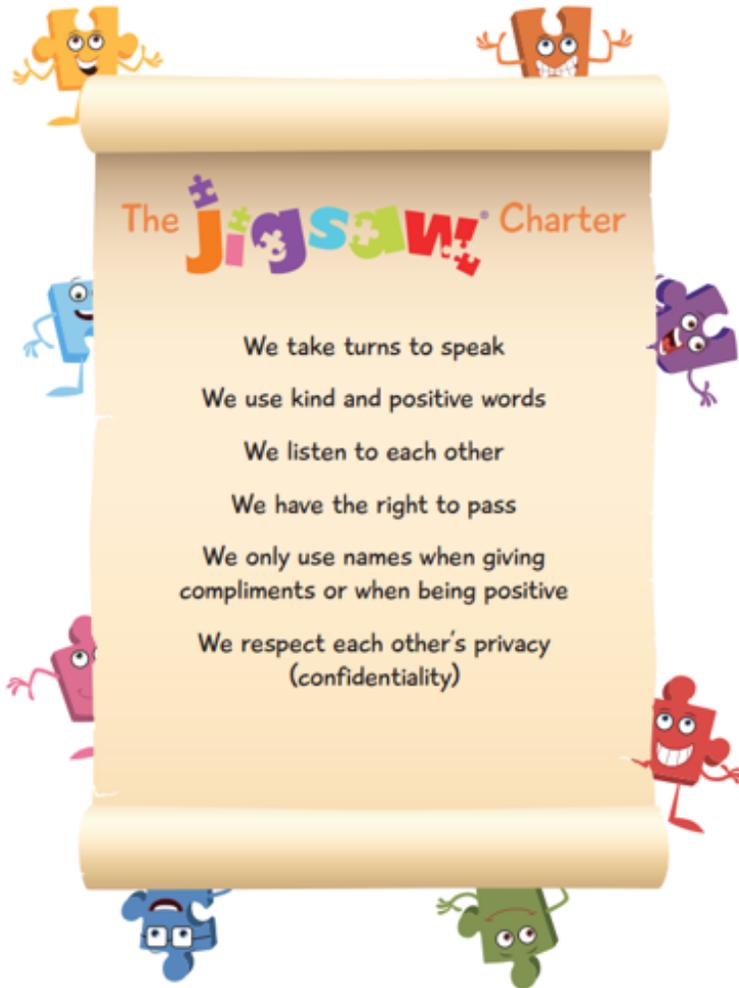


Select a tutorial which you are interested in!

Be sure to share it with us in school!



Jigsaw- PSHE- Personal, Social, Health and Economic



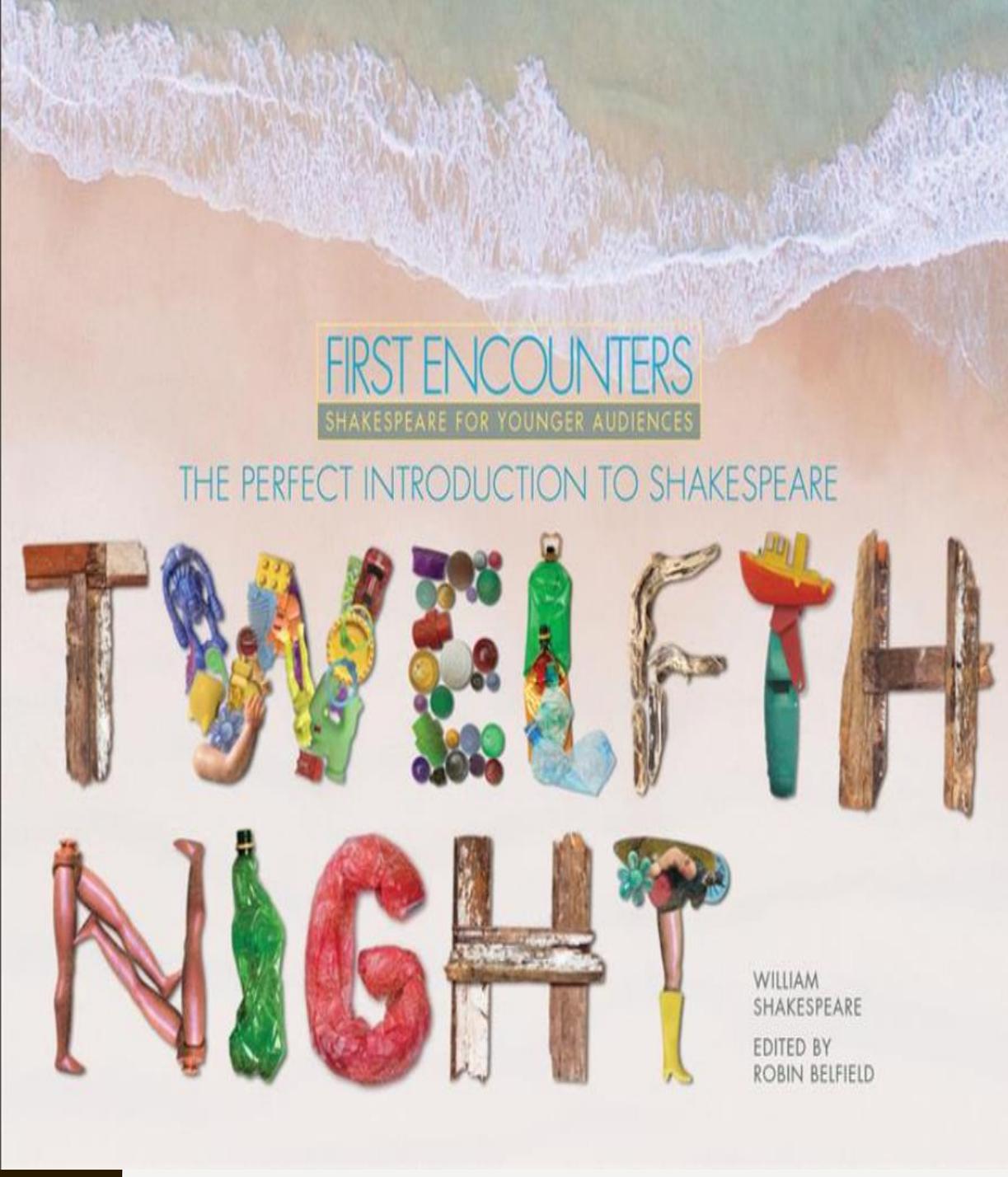
The Jigsaw Charter

- We take turns to speak
- We use kind and positive words
- We listen to each other
- We have the right to pass
- We only use names when giving compliments or when being positive
- We respect each other's privacy (confidentiality)

This term in PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) lessons we will be learning the unit of work, Being Me in My world! Children will have opportunities to consider themselves as a learner, their attitude towards school life, work and achieving success. We will reflect on how our choices have an impact on others and our rights and responsibilities within our class, school and communities. As a class, the children will learn the Jigsaw charter, a set of rules we use during Jigsaw sessions to promote respect for others.

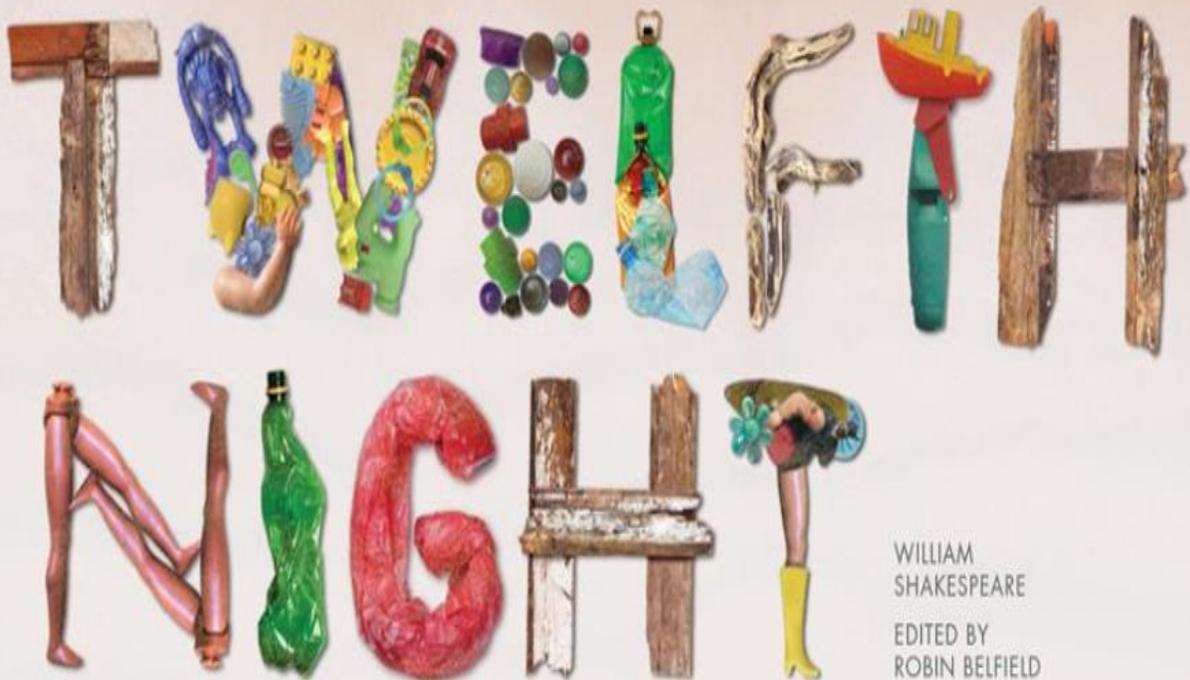
Stand
TALL
and be
PROUD.
Be
YOURSELF
you are
AMAZING.

At Simon de Senlis, we believe every child has the right to learn and succeed!



FIRST ENCOUNTERS
SHAKESPEARE FOR YOUNGER AUDIENCES

THE PERFECT INTRODUCTION TO SHAKESPEARE



Silhouette Youth are **VERY EXCITED** to announce that The **ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY** are performing **Twelfth Night** at our studio in Weston Favell Shopping Centre and tickets are only £5.00.

You can find out more about this First Encounters production here:

<https://www.rsc.org.uk/first-encounters-twelfth-night/>

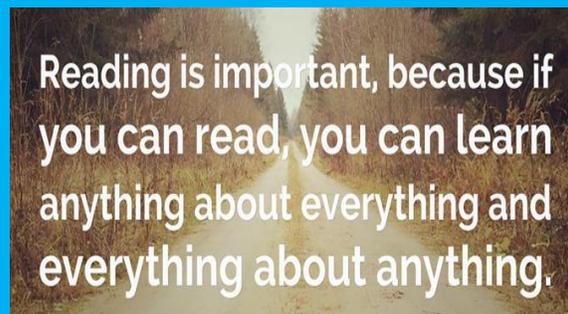
And you can book tickets for **Friday 23rd September at 6:30 pm** and **Saturday 24th September at 2:30 pm** by clicking on this link:

www.silyt.com

This is an **INCREDIBLE** opportunity to see the RSC perform in our community!



Simon de Senlis Primary Weekly Update – 23rd September 2022



We are looking for people who are able to offer 1 or 2 hours a week to volunteer in school. We primarily need people to listen to children read but may also ask you to help with art activities and other group work.

What we need from you: 1 or 2 hours per week of your time.

A DBS check completed prior to coming into school.

What we can offer you: A warm, welcoming environment where your donation of time is incredibly appreciated.

Fantastic children to work with.

A sense of satisfaction that you are making a difference.

Please email jennifer.deboard@simondesenlis.org if you would like to chat about what it entails.

SATURDAY CROSS COUNTRY

COURSE – NORTHAMPTON



Rugby & Northampton AC are pleased to announce a new 5 week cross-country course for young runners in Northampton and surrounding areas. The course will be based at Abington Park, Northampton with the first session taking place on Saturday 1st October and the final session on Saturday 29th October.

If your child is a keen runner, wants to get fit or learn new skills from experienced and passionate coaches, then this course is for them! The only requirements are lots of energy and enthusiasm – no experience necessary.

WHEN ? – Every Saturday in October from 2-30pm till 3-15pm

WHERE ? – The sessions will start and finish at Abington Park at the junction of Landcross Drive and Abington Avenue

COSTS ? – 10 pounds for the 5 week course (no fee to R & N members)

AGE – 7 years upwards (Yr 3 at school upwards)

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



If you would like to register, please complete the registration link below or if you require more information, please do not hesitate in contacting us at contactus@rugbyandnorthamptonac.org

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1je7D0f67A0GgzqHAaFX_4l96ntO1XZbIfz8JXuleHg/edit

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.



IS A COMPUTER CLEVER?



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, unless you have a pre-arranged agreement.

Please be aware the local police will be monitoring parking and issuing tickets where necessary, we ask that you remain considerate of our neighbours and their access requirements.



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

Many thanks.



West
Northamptonshire
Council

Is your child currently
in Year 6?

**APPLY FOR
YEAR 7 AT
SECONDARY
SCHOOL**

**APPLICATION
DEADLINE:**
midnight on
Monday 31
October 2022

www.westnorthants.gov.uk/admissions

Open dates for Children starting secondary school in September 2023

Year 6 Transition information for the Secondary Schools in Northampton

Name of School	Open Evening Date 2022
Abbeyfield School 01604 763616	Date: Tuesday 20 th September 2022, Time: 6pm – 8.30pm Information talks delivered by Principal, Jay Kerby, at 6pm, 7pm and 8pm. (Slots must be booked due to capacity) - Departments will be open from 6pm until 8pm with displays and demonstrations of our curriculum and learning areas. To book your place, receive more information and to be added to our prospective parents mailing list, please follow the QR code below or the link: https://forms.office.com/r/hj4w0Tn0X
Billing Brook School 01604 773910	http://www.billingbrook.northants.sch.uk/AboutUs/Admissions/
Kingsthorpe College 01604 716106	Thursday 6 th October 2022 www.kingsthorpecollege.org.uk
Malcolm Arnold Academy 01604 778000	Thursday 22 nd September From 5.30pm
Northampton School for Boys 01604 230240	<p>Presentation Evenings Monday 19 September 2022 Presentation Evening 1 (6:00pm to 7:00pm) Monday 19 September 2022 Presentation Evening 2 (7:30pm to 8:30pm) Wednesday 21 September 2022 Presentation Evening 3 (6:00pm to 7:00pm) Wednesday 21 September 2022 Presentation Evening 4 (7:30pm to 8:30pm)</p> <p>Parents/Carers will be able to book a place at the Presentation Mornings via Eventbrite</p> <p>Open Morning Tours Open Morning Tours will run on the dates below with two tours per day Monday 26th September 2022 at 9:00am and 9:45am Tuesday 27th September 2022 at 9:00am and 9:45am Wednesday 28th September 2022 at 9:00am and 9:45am Thursday 29th September 2022 at 9:00am and 9:45am</p> <p>Parents/Carers will be able to book a place on the Open Morning Tours via Eventbrite</p>

Northampton School for Girls 01604 679540	Open Evening events on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th October 2022.
The Duston School 01604 460004	Year 6-7 open week during the week commencing 26 th September 2022 www.thedustonschool.org
Northgate School Arts College 01604 714098	6pm on Wednesday 21 st September. https://northgateacademy.org.uk
Northampton International Academy (NIA) 01604 212811	Tuesday 27 th September Wednesday 5 th October https://nia.emat.uk/
The Northampton Academy 01604 210017	Wednesday 28 th September and Thursday 13 th October 2022 Further details will be published on our website - www.northampton-academy.org

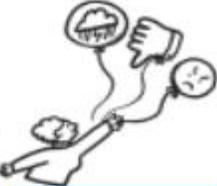
Thomas Becket Catholic School - 01604 493211	Thursday 22 nd September 2022 Please visit https://www.thomasbecket.org.uk/ for more information.
Weston Favell Academy 01604 402121	Thursday 6 th October 2022 Details will be published on the website after the summer holidays
Wootton Park School 01604 931139	Thursday 14 th July, Wednesday 14 th Sept, Thursday 13th October Please visit www.woottonparkschool.org.uk for more information.
Campion 01604 833900	There will no single open evening. There will be weekly open mornings in September and October. These will run 0900-1030 each time and include a tour and presentation, places will need to be booked in advance. http://www.campion.northants.sch.uk/
Caroline Chisholm 01604 669200	
Elizabeth Woodvale 01604 861184	Wednesday 21st September for our South Campus and Thursday 22nd September for our North Campus.
Guilsborough Academy 01604 740641	7 th October 2022
Moulton School 01604 641600	Wednesday 5th October and Thursday 13th October 2022

PARENTS/CARERS:

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

Look after yourself and your family this September

Self-Care September 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
				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		



Move to the Beat Extravaganza PE Home Learning

Time to Learn:

- Play some music and on the spot can you start by clapping in time to the music? Clap for eight counts.
- After eight claps, can you jump on the spot for eight counts? Then can you jog around the space for eight counts?
- Challenge yourself to add a final movement for eight counts, then repeat.
- To make it harder, can you perform movements that take eight counts to complete but do not require eight individual counts e.g. a slide left (four counts) a slide right (four counts).



Can you keep focused on the beat, even if you find it difficult?



Use slower pieces of music.
As you get more confident try faster pieces of music.



Use faster pieces of music.
You will have to really focus so you can still move to the beat.



Create your own sequence of movements and share them with another family member.

MOVE TO YOUR FAVOURITE MUSIC !

Be a dance sensation and try out your best Strictly Moves. Add more steps and create your own sequence, can you teach these move to someone else?

Why not watch some dance routines and try to have a go yourself.

Enjoy, and stay active. Miss Bland

SUPERHERO SATURDAY



To find out more and book a place, go to the following website

Price range is £5 -£10 per session

Website

Link: <http://www.boosttrampolineparks.co.uk/>

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES!

BOOST HAS BEEN OVERRUN BY EVIL VILLAINS & BOOBY & LILY BOOST NEED YOU TO HELP SAVE THEM!

COME DRESSED IN YOUR SUPERHERO CRIME-FIGHTING OUTFITS & BE PREPARED TO JUMP, LAUNCH & FLIP YOUR WAY AROUND OUR PARKS TO SAVE THE DAY!

THIS EVENT WILL BE RUNNING ALL DAY, TO TAKE PART SIMPLY BOOK ONTO EITHER OUR FAMILY EXPLORE SESSIONS IN THE MORNING (DESIGNED FOR YOUNGER JUMPERS) OR OUR BOOST JUMP SESSIONS (SUITABLE FOR AGES 4+) IN THE AFTERNOON.

AVAILABLE ON THE DAY:

- SUPERHERO FUN & GAMES WITH OUR TEAM ON OUR TRAMPOLINES
 - FANCY DRESSED COMPETITION – PRIZES FOR BOBBY'S BEST DRESSED
 - HERO CHALLENGES
 - MEET LILY BOOST
 - DESIGN A MASK ARTS & CRAFTS
- SESSIONS: 24th September 2022
10am-11am & 11am-12pm FAMILY EXPLORE
12pm – 5pm



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



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To secure your place to sell your items

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Buy & sell preloved quality fashion
for women & children

Saturday 22nd October
10am – 12pm
Grange Park Community
centre

@thescribbler2020

THE RT HON. DAME ANDREA LEADSOM DBE MP



HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

Ref: AL/MC
22nd August 2022

Dear Head Teacher

2022 Annual Christmas Card Competition

Welcome back to school and the new term! I do wish all the staff and pupils a successful year ahead. I know it has been a difficult calendar year for all schools, and please do let me know if I can ever be of assistance to you.

As I have done for the last seven years, I will be holding my annual Christmas card competition amongst all the primary schools in South Northamptonshire and would be delighted if some of your students would like to participate.

I attach a copy of last year's Christmas card which I am sure you will agree was exceptional!

The aim is to get a couple of pictures submitted by each school, and so it would be great if you could hold your own competition to select which pictures should represent the school in the final round.

The deadline for the submissions will be Monday, 7th November in order to give us sufficient time to judge the winner and runners-up and then in time to get the cards printed. The cards, with the winner and two runners up printed on the front and back, are then used by me as my Christmas card to all my friends and colleagues, including the Prime Minister.

All entries should be passed to my constituency office at:

The Rt Hon. Dame Andrea Leadsom MP
1 Victoria House,
138 Watling Street East
Towcester
NN12 6BT

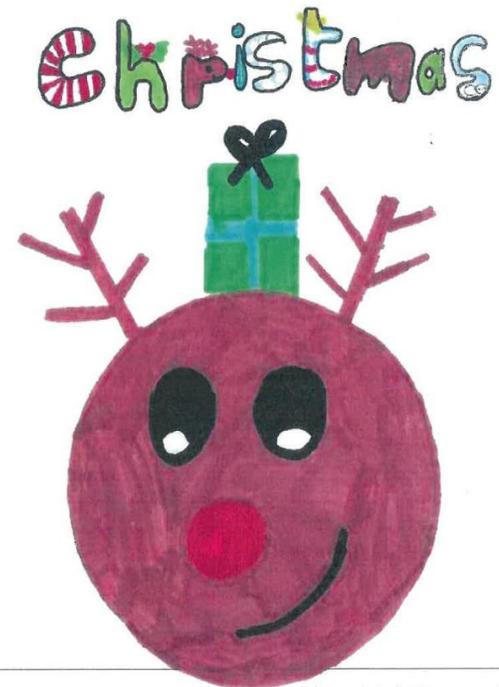
On the back of each entry please clearly print the name of the school, the artist/students full name and their age.

I will be holding a special presentation tea party with Christmas games and food for all the runners up and finalists including their parent/guardian or school teacher on Thursday 15th December at 3.30 at The Forum, Towcester.

Member of Parliament for South Northamptonshire

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Would you like to enter the Christmas card competition? If yes, please bring your entry to school and hand in at the front office. Remember to write your name and class on the back of your entry. Please make sure your entry is in school by October 19th.





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NPAT TERM DATES 2022-23

TERM DATES	STARTING	ENDING
TERM 1	Monday 5 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
TERM 2	Tuesday 1 November 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
TERM 3	Wednesday 4 January 2023	Friday 10 February 2023
TERM 4	Tuesday 21 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
TERM 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
TERM 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023

TRAINING DAYS

Thursday 1 and Friday 2 September 2022
Monday 31 October 2022 (NPAT Conference)
Tuesday 3 January 2023
Monday 20 February 2023

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS <small>(NOT INCLUDING TRAINING DAYS)</small>	FROM	TO
OCTOBER	Monday 24 October 2022	Friday 28 October 2022
CHRISTMAS	Monday 19 December 2022	Monday 2 January 2023
FEBRUARY	Monday 13 February 2023	Friday 17 February 2023
EASTER	Monday 3 April 2023	Friday 14 April 2023
MAY	Monday 29 May 2023	Friday 2 June 2023

BANK HOLIDAYS
Christmas Holidays Monday 26 & Tuesday 27 December 2022
Bank Holiday Monday 2 January 2023
Easter Weekend Friday 7 & Monday 10 April 2023
May Bank Holidays Monday 1 May & Monday 29 May 2023
Summer Bank Holiday Monday 28 August 2023



SOME NEWS FOR OUR CHILDREN

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Pictured: A red deer stag waits as six-year-old Joshua Cox sets up his shot in London's Richmond Park. **Source:** Joshua Cox, Wildlife Photographer of the Year @NHM_WPY Twitter page.

Snowy stag snapped

Joshua Cox, an eight-year-old boy who took a beautiful photograph of a deer in the snow, has scooped a top photography award. Joshua, who was six years old when he snapped the shot last January, has been highly commended in the Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition. The red deer stag along with around 630 other red and fallow deer roam freely in Richmond Park, London. They have done so since 1637, shaping both the history

and landscape of the National Nature Reserve. The talented photographer, who began taking photos when he was three years old, shared his top tips for those wanting to take up wildlife photography, saying, "If you spot an animal then just wait for it to look into the camera, make sure it focusses and then press the shutter".

Is there anything that you would like to photograph?

Rescuing paint from landfill

Friends, Cat Hyde and Kate Moree, have set up a business in Leeds, West Yorkshire, that has saved more than 1.05 million gallons of paint from landfill. Partially used cans, that have been thrown away, are rescued and remixed, giving each one a new lease of life. They have grown the social enterprise, Seagulls Paint Store, to employ 14 staff members, who manage 10 volunteers. Approximately 300 tonnes of paint each year are collected from landfill,

sorted into recyclable and non-recyclable paint, the reusable paint is then re-blended into new colours as requested by the store's customers. They can then buy the perfect shade for around 75% less than new paint would cost in other shops. Cat said, "We were able to work with the local council to collect all the waste paint in Leeds and recycle as much of it as we can. It's very labour intensive to scrap all the paint tins and re-blend colours but we love it!"



Pictured: Ash and Ruksar, colour mixers at Seagulls Paint Store. **Source:** Seagulls Paint Facebook page.

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Making a splash!

298 people have simultaneously performed a cannonball dive at the LAGO Gent Rozebroeken leisure hub in Ghent, Belgium, surpassing the previous world record of 232, held by The Salty Syndicate (New Zealand). 345 people attempted to achieve a cannonball - a dive where the knees must be raised up towards the chest, with both hands clasped around them, even when hitting the water - into the 50-metre pool. Guinness World Records' guidelines were

used to determine that 298 people had successfully completed the dive. Thomas de Vetter, manager at LAGO Gent Rozebroeken, spoke of their success; "To celebrate the 10th anniversary, but above all the innovations, we wanted to come up with a stunt. The world record for most people performing a cannonball dive soon came up. Everyone was eager to be part of it. The party weekend and the bomb were a great success, with nothing but happy faces!"



Pictured: The world record attempted at the Olympic sized pool at LAGO Gent Rozebroeken leisure hub.
Source: Guinness World Records @GWR Twitter page.

Last week's topic:

Can toys help us celebrate our differences?



To feel included we need to see toys and dolls that look like everyone, not just one type of person.

Hardeep

I think it's too hard for toy companies to make toys look like us all, we're too different.

Axel

Yes - it's important for us to see ourselves reflected in the toys we see.

Elliot

No, I think toys are not meant to be real anyway, so they don't need to reflect how we look.

Xavier

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Could we live our lives without plastic?



Let's look at this week's story



A housing association has built Europe's first virtually plastic-free housing development in the UK. Built by GreenSquareAccord, the £1.3m project in Redditch, Worcestershire consists of 12 affordable one-bedroom homes built using many plastic-free alternatives to reduce environmental impact.

