



World Food Day 2022

October 16



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
14th October	Whole school	Short reports sent home
114th October	Whole school	Friends of Simon de Senlis Pumpkin competition
18th October	Whole school	Parents Evening
20th October	Whole school	Parents Evening
20th October	Year 3	Harvest Festival 2pm
3rd November	Whole school	Individual and sibling photographs
11th November	Year 6	Remembrance Assembly
14th November	Whole School	Flu Vaccinations
23rd November	Friends Disco	3:30pm – 4:30pm – Reception & year 1 4:45pm – 5:45pm – year 2, year 3 & year 4 6:00pm – 7:15pm – year 5 & year 6

Christmas Performance Dates for your Diary

Date	Year group	Event
6th December	Year 3 and The Players	Christmas Performance to parents, school hall- 9:30am
6th December	Year 4 and The Players	Christmas Performance to parents, school hall- 1:45pm
8th December	Year 5 and The Players	Christmas Performance to parents at St Benedicts Church- 10:30am
9th December	Year 6 and The Players	Christmas Performance to parents at St Benedicts Church- 10:30am
9th December	Wiggins Class	Christmas Singalong with parents, in class 2:15pm
12th December	Rec, Year 1, Year 2	Christmas Performance to parents, school hall- R- 9:30am Y2- 10:00am Y1- 10:30am
13th December	Rec, Year 1, Year 2	Christmas Performance to parents, school hall- R- 1:30pm Y2- 2:00pm. Y1- 2:30pm
14th December	Robinson Class	Christmas Performance to parents, school hall 2:30pm

Tickets- Christmas Performances

Tickets for your child's Christmas Performance will be on sale in ParentMail in the shop. There is a £1 donation for each ticket.





Simon de Senlis Primary Weekly Update – 14th October 2022

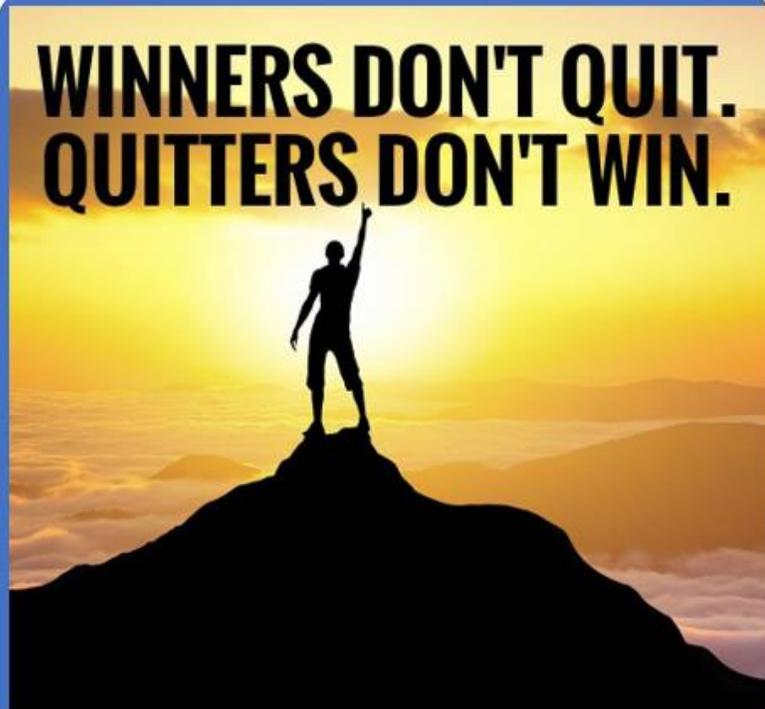
Dear Parents and Carers,

How proud we all were on Tuesday when we welcomed many parents and carers to SDS on their tour of the school as prospective parents for Reception places in 2023. Every classroom was filled with fantastic teaching and children who were eager to learn and engrossed in their learning. The children demonstrated every core value we have- responsible in their learning, determined to achieve, aspirational in the goals and most importantly, happy at school. The visitors congratulated the children on their fantastic behaviour and were blown away by the wonderful lessons and learning taking place. I am sure you too, are so proud of your child/children.

As you will be aware, we are in the middle of International Black History Month, which celebrates the important roles that black people have played throughout British and World history and allows us to understand the contributions that have been made to society today. As part of our continued teaching and learning about equality and diversity, we recognise, respect and value difference and understand that diversity is a strength that enriches our lives. We are committed to promoting equality, diversity and inclusion within the school, through our PSHE lessons, assemblies and the wider curriculum. Again, this is something I am so proud to see taking place every day across school.

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

Mrs Fennelly



Well Done Everyone,
you're amazing!

Keep Going!

Poster of the Week

This is a favourite phrase of the children, and it definitely describes them, their determination and drive to succeed. This success may be on the playing field, as an artist, a scientist, a reader, a writer or mathematician. **Wherever it is, we know that winners don't quit!**



TLCs

Termly Learning Conference

We are looking forward to seeing you and your child at the TLCs on Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th October.

Please remember that this is a meeting for you and your child to celebrate their learning and discuss next steps.



School Disco



The Friends of SdS have planned a school disco for children.



Date: Wednesday November 23rd

3:30pm-4:30pm- Reception and Year 1

4:45pm-5:45pm- Year 2, year 3 and year 4

6:00pm-7:15pm- Year 5 and year 6

Tickets are £3 each and are available to buy in your ParentMail shop.





**As the weather
turns colder,
please remember
your
named coats.**





Mary Secole



In 1854, when war broke out in the Crimea, Mary travelled to England to volunteer her services to Florence Nightingale - who was setting up a hospital - and encountered prejudice on her journey.

When she applied to the War Department in London to join Florence Nightingale as a nurse, she was turned away on the grounds that 'no more nurses were needed', although Mary was under no illusion that she was being rejected because of her colour.

So Mary decided to travel to the Crimea and build her own 'hospital'.

Black History Month

During the month of October, the world is celebrating black history. Please see below some of the inspirational people who have shaped our lives through time.

Walter Tull



Second Lieutenant Walter Tull

Walter Tull (1888-1918), was one of Britain's first black footballers who played for Northampton Town and Tottenham Hotspur and became the first black officer to lead British troops into battle in the first world war.



Black History Month

During the month of October, the world is celebrating black history.



To find out more, take a look at the CBBC website

[The Official Home of CBBC - CBBC - BBC](#)

Lilian Bader was born in 1918 in Liverpool and went on to become one of the very first black women to join the British Armed Forces.

Starting out as a canteen assistant at an army base in Yorkshire, she eventually trained as an instrument repairer, before becoming a leading aircraftwoman and soon afterwards earning herself the rank of Corporal.

Three generations of her family served in the armed forces.

When she left the army to have children of her own, she retrained and got a degree from the University of London to become a teacher.



Young Black Achievers

YOUNG BLACK ACHIEVERS' (YBA) AWARDS

To mark Black History Month Celebrations

AWARD CATEGORIES

- * ACADEMICS
- * ARTS & MUSIC
- * COMMUNITY
- * SPORTS
- * YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR
- * POLICE & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Saturday 19th November 2022
6pm to 11pm

Tickets £20 ★

Dinner
6:30pm to 7:30pm

ENTERTAINMENT

- * AWARDS CEREMONY
- * PERFORMERS
- * SPEAKERS

VENUE

Northampton Art Gallery
Guildhall Rd
Northampton
NN1 1DP

Contacts

Tel: 07951 588733

Email: zimwomennorthampton@gmail.com

Web: www.zimwomenassociation.org/yba-awards





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.simondesenlis.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.simondesenlis.org



Uniform

Jules at Home will be in the studio on Tuesday October 18th during the TLCs.

The Friends will be selling nearly new uniform in the studio on Thursday October 20th during the TLCs.

Safety

An elderly family member was hit by a football on the playground one morning this week. Please do not allow your child to play with balls, ride their bikes or scooters, or play on the apparatus. Let's work together to keep everyone safe.



Keeping Safe Before and
After School

Optimistic October 2022

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month	2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)	3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you	4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list	5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good	6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better	7 Look for the good in people around you today
8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding	9 Share an important goal with someone you trust	10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently	11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward	12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today	13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing	14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation
15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted	16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting	17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society	18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead	19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future	20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time	21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you
22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague	23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise	24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently	25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?	26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face	27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time	28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?
29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to	30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future	31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month				

Simon de Senlis Primary

BREW & BANTER

IF YOU ARE FEELING COLD...
YOU WANT TO WARM UP...

THE YARD WILL BE OPEN
EVERY SUNDAY 10AM - 4PM



Miss Garrard says...

Established in 2011 Community Courtyard is a non-profit social enterprise that seeks to create a better world, through the delivery of youth and community work which at its' core is based around community engagement.

The Yard has a variety of opportunities available to yourself and your children, including many fun, free clubs! Check out their website for more information.

[Youth & Community Clubs
\(communitycourtyard.org\)](http://communitycourtyard.org)

Winter Coat Drive

Donation deadline:
October 31st 2022

Drop-off Location: The Yard 62 Gold Street, NN1 1RS
Mondays at 9:30am-12pm

Please Donate

We are looking for donations of thick coats to suit all ages, so that we can pass them on. Let's help Northampton to stay warm this winter

If you are in need this winter and would benefit from a coat, for you or someone that you know, keep a look out on our social media platforms for drop-in dates at the Yard in

October - November

Thank You for Your Donation...

For more information:
Email Kate:
theyard@communitycourtyard.org
[facebook/communitycourtyard](https://www.facebook.com/communitycourtyard)



Friends of SdS



Annual **G**eneral **M**eeting

***We look forward
to seeing you on
Wednesday 19th
October at 7pm,
in the school hall***

We need your suggestions, skills, ideas and enthusiasm!

No obligation to join the committee

If you are interested in finding out more about joining
and/or volunteering for future events, please come along.

If you can't attend but would like more information,
please send us an email: fosdsenlis@gmail.com

or message us on Facebook



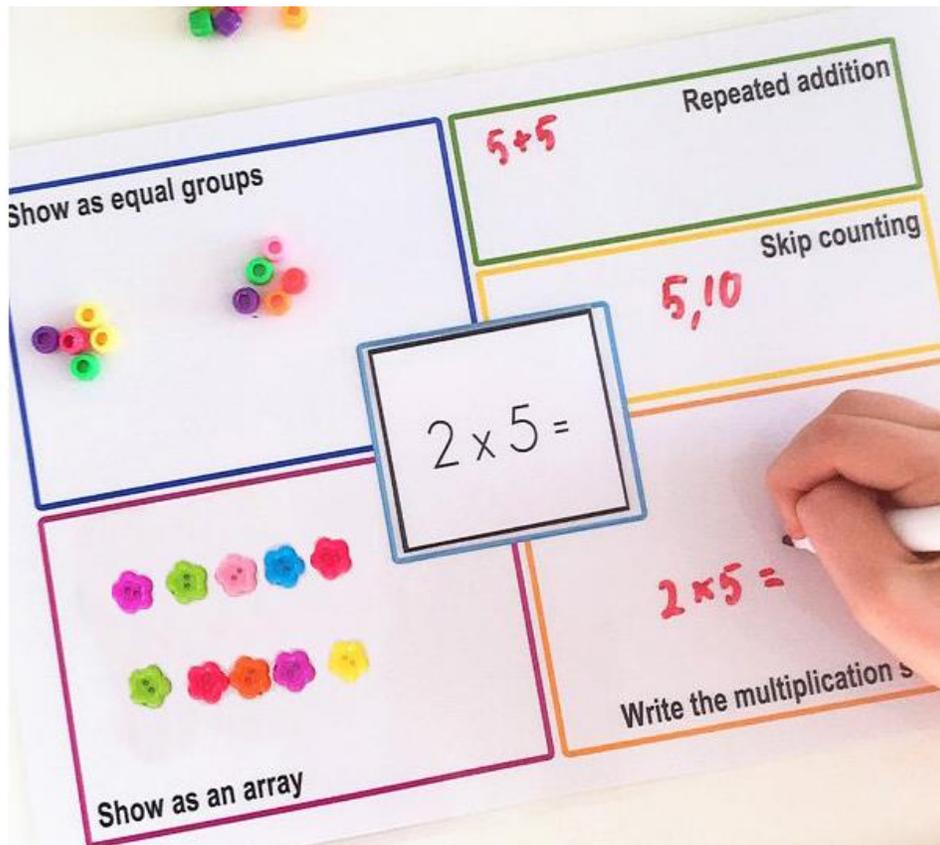
What is decomposition?

Decomposition is when we break a problem or task down into smaller parts which makes it easier to tackle. Sometimes a problem can be so big or so tricky that we don't know where to start. Breaking it down or decomposing it can make it easier to manage. Decomposition can be used in computing and for everyday tasks, like making a list:

Tidying your bedroom

1. Collect all the items off the floor and put them into piles.
2. Decide on where each pile will go e.g. washing machine, drawer.
3. Complete each pile one-by-one.
4. Finish!

Maths



[Multiplication-strategies-mat-printable.pdf](#)

Times Tables Help.....

This Multiplication Mat requires the child to draw/make and write to represent a multiplication problem as four different strategies – equal groups, arrays, repeated addition and skip counting – as well as recording the problem with the correct answer as a complete number sentence. This helps children to actually manipulate, see and better understand that multiplication is actually all about combining equal groups together to find a total amount.

The strategies included are;

Equal groups: The child can draw dots or shapes to represent the equal groupings or use small manipulatives such as beads, buttons or unit blocks. You can laminate the printed mat and using a whiteboard marker for the drawing and writing tasks.

Array: An array is a group of objects arranged into rows and columns. Again, this can be drawn or made with manipulatives.

Repeated addition: The child is learning that by adding the second factor (or number) repeatedly, you can solve the problem. The first factor tells you how many times to add it.

Skip counting: Counting by the second factor, the first factor tells you how many skips ahead to make as you count. Write the full multiplication sentence.

Show as equal groups

Repeated addition

Problem

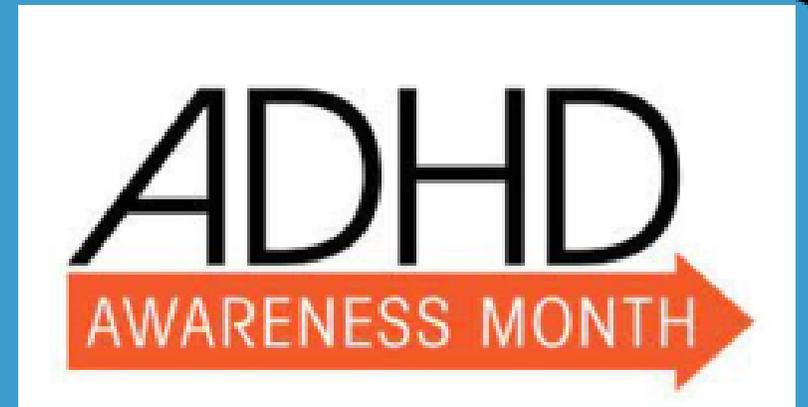
Skip counting

Show as an array

Write the multiplication sentence



ADHD Awareness Month



This month in the UK it is 'ADHD Awareness Month'. ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) is a neurodivergent condition.

What is Neurodiversity?

The term 'neurodiversity' is based on the idea that everyone has a differently wired brain and their own unique way of thinking and experiencing the world. It is important to recognise that everyone's brains work differently and recognising and respecting that we don't all learn in the same way.

What is ADHD?

ADHD is a condition that affects people's behaviour. People with ADHD can seem restless, may have trouble concentrating and may act on impulse. Symptoms of ADHD tend to be noticed at an early age and may become more noticeable when a child's circumstances change, such as when they start school.

What is Neurodiversity?

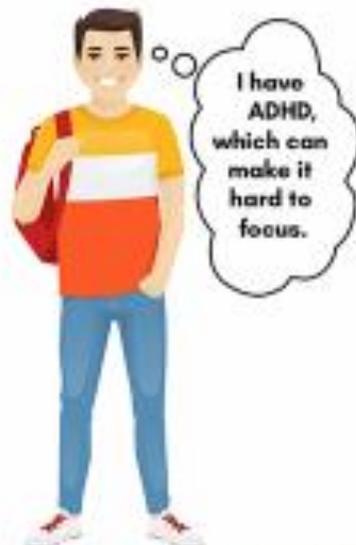
- Have you noticed that everyone thinks and processes information differently?
- **Neurodiversity** is based on the idea that everyone has a differently-wired brain and their own unique way of thinking and experiencing the world.



Do These Differences Have a Name?

- Some of the different ways of thinking, learning, interacting and perceiving the world have been given labels, such as:

- ❖ ADHD
- ❖ autism
- ❖ dyslexia
- ❖ dyspraxia

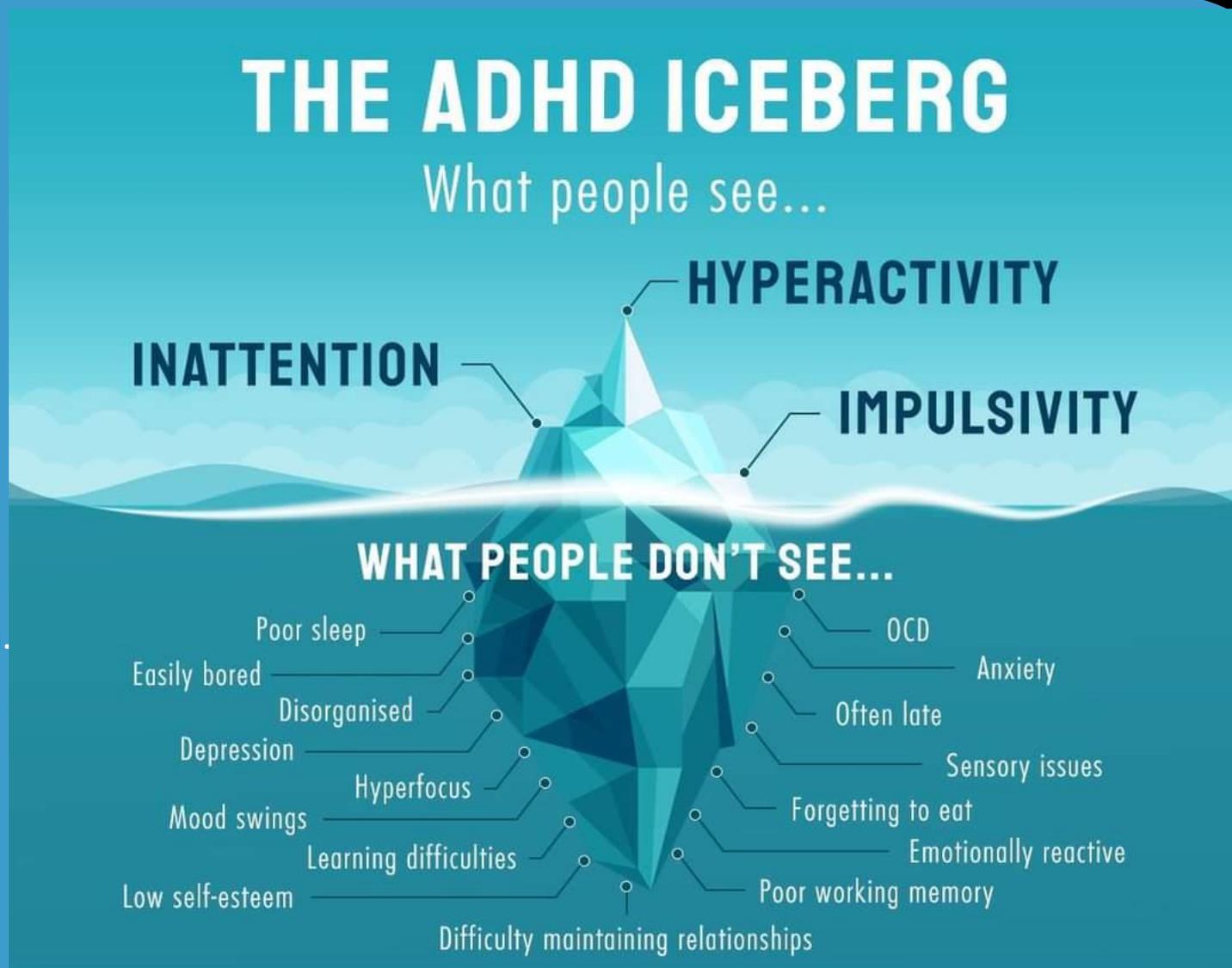


Many children go through phases where they are restless or inattentive. This does not necessarily mean they have ADHD.

The exact cause of ADHD is unknown, but the condition has been shown to run in families.

Girls with ADHD can sometimes mask their behaviours, they can be forgetful, highly emotional, be easily distracted, daydream and lack confidence and self-esteem.

Children with ADHD can thrive with appropriate educational support, advice and support for parents and the child, alongside medicine, if necessary.





Adults and children with a diagnosis of ADHD are often highly creative, have great conversational skills, have fantastic problem solving and resilience skills and have an abundance of compassion and empathy for others.

There are many famous celebrities with ADHD who have gone on to achieve greatness in their respective fields such as:

Pop star and actor Justin Timberlake
Rock musician Dave Grohl
Olympic athlete Simone Biles
Harry Potter actress Emma Watson



For more information on ADHD please visit these websites: <https://www.adhdawarenessmonth.org/>
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/attention-deficit-hyperactivity-disorder-adhd/>

If you have any concerns about your child please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance or myself, Laura Holland – School Inclusion Leader.

Ms Holland



Northamptonshire Local Offer

Bringing the services available for you,
in your local area, together in one place.



The Local Offer provides details of the services available in your area for Children and Young People between the ages 0–25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

The Local Offer is...

- A single point for information on services and provisions available
- Easy to understand
- Easily accessible

The Local Offer currently has an anonymous online survey for parents, carers, and professionals, and a separate survey for young people as they would like to get some user feedback on the how the service is operating.

Here is the link to the review page: [Local Offer review – ‘tell us what you like about the Local Offer’](#)

<https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/send/local-offer/Pages/default.aspx>



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- If you're unable to visit the Book Fair, your child will be sent home with a Wish List and you can pay for their chosen books using our online payment system. Please make sure the Wish List is returned to your child's school.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.travellingbooks.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.

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Books benefit everyone and to ensure that as many children as possible have access to the best books, Travelling Books donate over £2.2 million worth of free books annually to schools nationwide to support literacy and reading for pleasure. You can help make a difference by purchasing from your Travelling Book Fair – every purchase earns your school rewards which they can spend on free books to stock their library and classrooms.





Simon de Senlis are collecting food for the Hope Centre as part of our Harvest celebration.

Please bring items for the Hope centre to your child's class, food such as dried food, tins, jars, bottles are all greatly appreciated.

Items will be collected from school on October 21st.



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.



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Diwali Light Parade – Northampton town centre. 15th October at 5pm



Activities at Chester House this October
[Home - Chester House Estate](#)

Join us for our
**Samhain
Family Crafts**

22nd - 30th October, 10:30 - 15:30

Learning Centre (Above Museum)

£2 per child

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Activities at Chester House this October

[Home - Chester House Estate](#)

Do you dare visit the Chester HAUNTED House Estate this October half term?!

October 22nd – 30th 2022

BOOK HALLOWEEN ACTIVITY PASSPORTS HERE

Join us for:

- PYO fresh pumpkin at our giant patch!
- Visit the carving station where our experts will be on hand to help you carve your perfect design (make all the mess here instead of at home!)
- Visit the TERRIFYING haunted walkthrough (indoors)
- Explore the estate as part of our pumpkin trail – and win a tasty prize at the end!

You can take part in ALL activities above when purchasing our Halloween Activities Passport. Adults (who are not wishing to take a pumpkin or prize) are free or charge and there is no need to book.

When attending our haunted walkthrough, there are two routes to ensure it is suitable for all ages (2+). We will have staff supporting on the day, but parental guidance is advised.

Each ticket is valid anytime between 10am and 3pm (the site will be open 10am – 4pm), you can arrive anytime between these times and there is no need to reserve car parking. Our café, shops, history museum and outdoor play area will be open throughout your visit.

Activities at Delapre this October

[Events in Northampton](#) | [Local Events Near Me](#) | [Day Out \(delapreabbey.org\)](#)

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Pumpkin Carving

Come and create your own pumpkin monster in our Walled Garden and take it home with you for trick or treating!

🕒 11:00 am - 4:00 pm (30)



EVENT DETAILS

Wed 26th, Thu 27th, Sun 30th October
11am - 3pm, £3 per pumpkin

Come and create your own pumpkin monster in our Walled Garden and take it home with you for trick or treating! Pumpkins and carving tools provided just bring along your spookiest ideas.

All under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets will go on sale on Friday 16th September at 10am.

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Delapré Spooktacular

Bring your little monsters along to the Abbey to take part in a family-friendly Halloween spooktacular.

🕒 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm



EVENT DETAILS

Sunday 30th October,

Timed entry at 4pm, 4:30pm, 5pm, 5:30pm, 6pm, 6:30pm, 7pm, 7:30pm, 8pm

Tickets £5 per child including a trick or treat goodie bag (adults go free)

Recommended for ages 12 and under



Burglary Prevention Terry's Tip of the week

Hello

Help us to keep your home secure by following these tips:-

Keep external doors locked, especially the front door if you are in the garden on these nice Autumn days.

If you live in a multi occupied property, make sure the communal entry doors are secure. Lock your room and report security issues to your landlord.

Keep valuables and car keys out of sight and reach of letterboxes, pet flaps and downstairs doors and windows.

Make sure your boundary and gates are secure. Lock away tools and ladders so they cannot be used. Removal all loose rubble like bricks etc (time for a trip to the dump)

If you go away for a well earned break this late in the year- make sure your home looks lived in whilst away. Ask a trusted friend or neighbour to open and close curtains and remove post from the floor in the hall. Use a timer switch on energy-saving lights in the evenings. Do not post your movements on social media. Lots of people "check in" when they arrive at their hotel/holiday location. Do not do it, your friends and family know where your are so why post it for **everyone** to see? (Time to check security settings on social media as well). Do not accept friend request if you are in doubt - it's what the delete button is for.

Mark you property with your postcode and house number. Register your items free at www.immobilise.com

For crime prevention advice visit:- www.northants.police.uk/crime-prevention Follow the links on this site for further, more in-depth advice on home security.

Keep safe folks - look after yourselves, family and friends. Be nosey and if you see someone or a car that looks out of place - make notes like clothing and registration. More often than not it will be innocent, but if there is an incident nearby, then when we come making enquiries, you will have all the details to hand.

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.



Can you touch the wind?

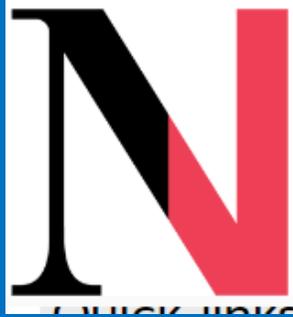




Do you love photography? Why not pop to Abington Museum to see their free exhibition from the Abington Camera Club



This exhibition highlights the work of Abington Camera Club showing the skills of this longstanding group. The club, which meets on Monday evenings at Abington Community Centre, was formed over 70 years ago to encourage its members to improve and enjoy their photography.



Northampton
Museum &
Art Gallery

Do you love sculpture? Why not pop to Northampton Museum to see their free exhibition from the sculptor **Bob Dawson**

Bob Dawson: A retrospective



Bob Dawson worked as a sculptor and art tutor for over 50 years. Based in a studio in Wollaston, Northamptonshire this celebrated and prolific sculptor's practice involved both the naturalistic and beautifully abstract. Dawson's work creates a serenity and quietness in which to contemplate the shifting and changing nature of life.

Free entry



Do you love trainers? Why not pop to Northampton Museum to see their free trainer exhibition

Trainers: a global obsession

Trainers: a global obsession



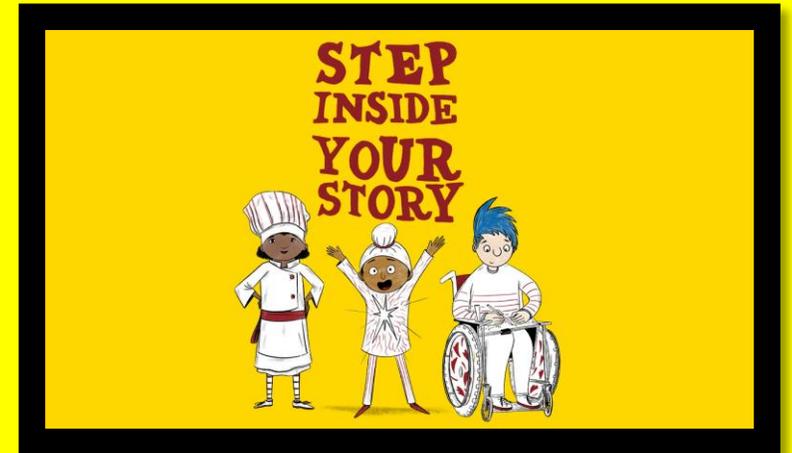
Make your own book competition!

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

Activity type

Home

Away

Indoor

Outdoor

Equipment

- Dice
- Music (optional)



How to play



1
Players start in the same space.

3
Keep throwing the dice and practise making different shapes/balances for a few minutes.

2
One player throws the dice. Each player makes a shape (a balance) that has that number of contact points with the floor. If you throw a 2: do a handstand with two hands, or balance on one knee and one elbow, you can make it as hard or as easy as you like.

4
Each player throws the dice and gets a number. (Don't show each other!) Each player moves to a different room and practises making a shape/balance to match their number.

5
Players come back to one room to show off their shapes. Players then make a sequence of the shapes and perform a routine. Add some music!

Variations

- Players teach each other their shapes before doing a joint routine.
- Instead of numbers, use different ideas, e.g. make shapes of letters or copy animal movements.

Challenge yourself

- Can you make a more difficult shape?
- Can you hold your balance without wobbling for longer?
- Can you add some movements between balances?

Random Routines!

Try these shapes and balances by rolling a dice and placing the body points on the floor.

Add some music and make a fun routine. Try to teach this to someone else

Have fun and stay active, Miss Bland

Miss Bland asks; Do you like to ride your bike? Then read all about this new exciting development <https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/news/northampton-bike-park-geared-up-and-ready-to-go/>



Find out more about Northampton Bike Park,
[visit the website](https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/news/northampton-bike-park-geared-up-and-ready-to-go/)

We're open!

Mountain bike enthusiasts of all ages and abilities will be able to enjoy Northampton's brand-new bike park which opened this week.

The new facility offers:

- A multi-user green trail, which is an easy, dual-direction cycle route across the site, connecting Houghton Hill to the underpass for the A45
- Blue (moderate), red (difficult) and black (severe) off-road mountain bike trails for different abilities with dual tracks which will allow head-to-head riding
- Five gathering spots where riders can meet to discuss the next section of track, and coaching can be provided
- Climb sections – which are uphill sections to test endurance
- A mountain bike skills area
- 13 hectares of ecological habitats

Holiday Fun



October Half Term 2022

Games /Sports 	Atomic Science 
Arts & Crafts 	YOGA and Mindfulness 
Circus Skills 	Music 

Is it for me?

Open to Primary age children ages 5-11

How much?

£15 per day, 9am – 3.30pm each day

How do I book?

To book spaces please visit: www.northamptonesco.co.uk, you can book as many days as you require. Full details can be seen on our website/facebook page.

What do I need?

Packed Lunch and plenty of drinks. Wear clothes suitable for moving freely and trainers/plimsolls. Must drop off and pick up children.

Queries?

Email- msmith@northamptonesco.co.uk or 07917 535 762

October Half Term 2022 Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Monday 24 th October	Tuesday 25 th October	Wednesday 26 th October	Thursday 27 th October	Friday 28 th October	Venue
Arts and Crafts 	Games 	Circus Skills 	Games 	Arts and Crafts 	Cedar Road Primary School, Cedar Road East, Northampton, NN3 2JF.
Music 	Yoga 	Science 	Yoga 	Music 	
Circus Skills 	Science 	Games 	Science 	Sports 	



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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



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



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**

***14TH OCTOBER
2022***

Reflection



In life, there will be some things we will be good at and other things that may not come easily to us. It's important to remember to try our best and support those around us too!





Kingsley, the baby giraffe



Pictured: Kingsley and his mother, Arusha. **Source:** West Midland Safari @WestMidSafari Twitter page.

hippopotami, and meerkats in the UK, as well as the largest lemur walk-through exhibit. *Did you know that the collective noun for a group of giraffes is a tower? Do you think that is a good name?*

Keepers at the West Midlands Safari Park in Worcestershire have revealed the name of their endangered baby giraffe, who was recently born into their tower. When Kingsley was born, the safari park released footage showing the 1.8m (6ft) tall Rothschild's giraffe calf making his grand entrance into the world by falling several metres to the ground. He was then tended to by his doting mother, who tried to nudge him gently to his feet. He and his parents, Arusha and Rufus, are part of a European breeding programme, which aims to conserve endangered species. The Rothschild's giraffe is one of the most endangered, with less than 1,400 adults estimated to live in wild! The park contains the largest groups of white lions, cheetahs,

Spacecraft slams into Asteroid

NASA has crashed an uncrewed spacecraft into an asteroid at over 23,000km (14,400 miles) per hour - on purpose! The Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART) is the world's first mission to test technology for defending Earth against potential asteroid or comet hazards. The joint project between NASA and the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, will assess whether crashing a spacecraft into an

asteroid changes the way it travels, ensuring that we could alter the orbit of an asteroid, if needed. NASA tweeted a video showing the mission's success saying, "IMPACT SUCCESS! Watch from #DARTMission's DRACO Camera, as the vending machine-sized spacecraft successfully collides with asteroid Dimorphos, which is the size of a football stadium and poses no threat to Earth."



Pictured: Schematic of the DART mission shows the impact on the moonlet of asteroid Didymos. **Source:** NASA

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Pumpkin Boat Birthday

Duane Hansen, from Nebraska, celebrated his 60th birthday by paddling down the Missouri River in a giant pumpkin, that he had grown and named 'SS Bertha'. Duane stated that his aim was to break the world record, which he had heard about whilst attending a giant pumpkin growing seminar, saying, "It wasn't even for the glory. I just wanted to beat the record in a pumpkin." He successfully set a new Guinness World Record for the longest journey by pumpkin boat. He paddled a 384kg (847lbs) floating pumpkin for 61km

(38 miles). The journey, which took over 11 hours to complete along the longest river in the United States, was officiated by workers from the City of Bellevue, Nebraska. One of their spokespeople said, "Lisa Rybar and myself agreed to take on this task which we ... originally thought was to float a 800 pound pumpkin for over 30 miles down the river. It wasn't until later in the conversation that we realized that Mr. Hansen would actually be riding in the pumpkin on this journey".



Pictured: Duane Hansen and his record-breaking pumpkin boat. **Source:** City of Bellevue, Nebraska, Facebook page.

Last week's topic:
How can we help those in need who are far away?



I think me and my classmates can help by donating clean drinking water, toiletries etc because if I were to guess those who were affected by the flood lost their essentials. We can donate by finding a donation site that supports Pakistan in this troubling times.

Nazeefah

We can donate to supportive charities, that help as much as they can so everyone can live without worrying about floods.

Emeli

I think if we all try, we can donate to Pakistan with money, and tools they need to survive also we need to stop littering and make a change.

Laiton

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



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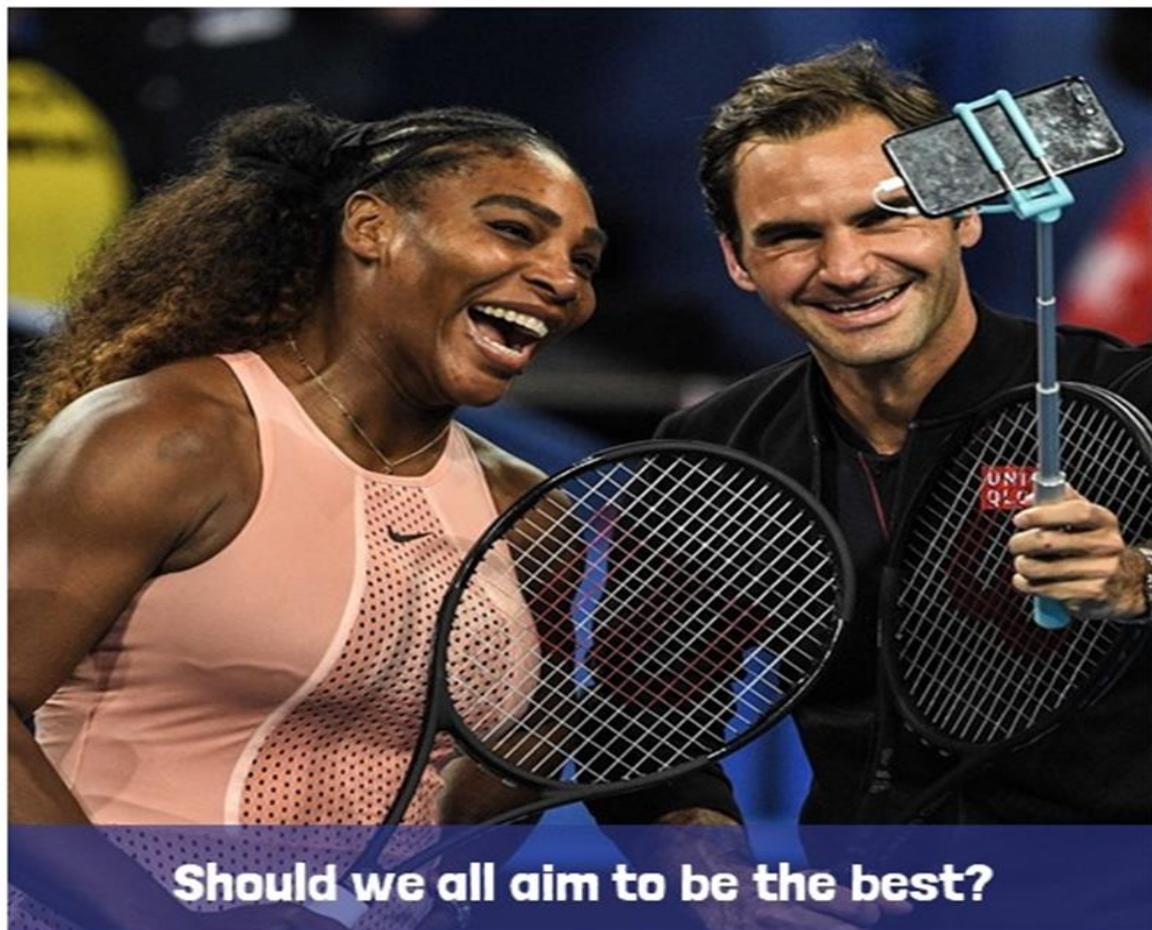
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TAKEHOME

10 - 16
October



Should we all aim to be the best?

In the news this week

For over 20 years, Serena Williams and Roger Federer have dominated tennis tournaments all over the world and have won 43 Grand Slam titles between them. In a five-week span, the two players announced their retirement. Williams announced on Vogue magazine's website that she would retire after this year's U.S. Open, saying that at her age, "something's got to give". Federer's announcement followed after. He said his body's "message to me lately has been clear" and noted that his final competition would be the Laver Cup in London.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you watched either Serena Williams or Roger Federer play tennis?
- > What do you think would be the positives about being so good at something for so long and what do think might have been difficult?
- > Which do you think is more important, trying your best or being the best?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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