

### SPELLBROOK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



LEARN TOGETHER - ENJOY TOGETHER - SUCCEED TOGETHER

# NEWSLETTER - 8th July 2022

### **VALUE: TRUTHFULNESS**

Focus: Searching for the Truth 'Tell the truth to each other.' *Zechariah 8.16* 



**Sports Day** 

### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

### **Sapphire Class Trip**

At the end of last week, Sapphire Class had a day in Epping Forest. (see below). They were given samples of leaves and seeds and had to look around the forest to find the actual plants. They made diagrams of the parts of a plant using natural materials. They enjoyed Eco Art, making woodland puppets from clay, twigs and other



natural materials. They had a super day out and what a great way to build on the science they have been focusing on and the art that has focused on artists who use natural materials for

their work. Even this week they have continued to develop this theme and this beautiful piece was made by Louis and Tristan in our woodland area.



### **Sports Day on Monday morning**

It was a lovely sunny morning. It began with the children working together to earn points for their House Team. They rotated through a whole range of activities: throwing beanbags into hoops, dribbling a football, jumping, completing an obstacle course, dribbling with a hockey stock or bat, and passing the ball to team mates. They were very supportive of each other and tried really hard. Some of the tasks were quite challenging for the younger ones. They ended with a number of running races and the cheering and encouragement was great. The determination on their faces as they ran as fast as they could was memorable. It was lovely to have so many families along to support and well done and thank you to Mrs Newman for planning and organising the morning and to all of the staff for running the events.

### **Emerald Class Trip**

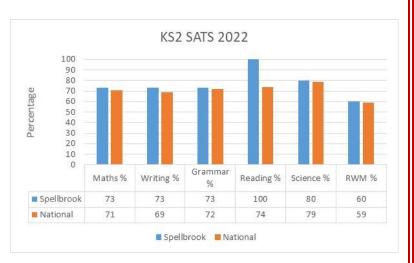
Emerald Class have been to Mountfitchet Castle to find out more about life in medieval times. They saw exhibits that showed them how people lived, the jobs and crafts that people did, including the heavy quern stone that



was used to make flour. They told me they really liked all of the weapons, especially the catapult and they were fascinated by the cool things for torturing and punishing. They enjoyed the stories that the great hall was haunted. Whilst there, they also visited the small toy museum and recognised toys that have been around for many decades.

### **SATS for KS2**

We are very pleased with our SATs results. It has been a real challenge for the Year 6s to pick up where they left off from before the pandemic and to get back on track to the expectations that have remained the same for pupils in the final year at primary school. We are above the national averages for all subjects. Our reading at 100% is absolutely brilliant, showing that all of the children read fluently and with a good level of understanding. This will support them greatly as they go on into secondary school. Well done to Y6, Mrs Cook and everyone else who has helped teach them.



Have a lovely weekend,

Jeremy Fisher



### Sapphire Class Trip







### **MESSAGE FROM GREAT ST MARY'S CHURCH**

Fr Simon writes:



There's a musical on in London's West End called *Come From Away*. It's based on the true experiences of the small Newfoundland town of Gander in Canada.



During the week of 9/11, as flights in North America were grounded, it welcomed over 6,500 strangers when 38 planes were diverted there. Schools and community halls were converted into temporary accommodation, and, for five days, hundreds of volunteers worked tirelessly to provide food, hospitality, and

hugs. And one lady who worked for an animal shelter made it her responsibility to care for the many dogs, cats and even two chimpanzees that arrived off the planes!

In his famous parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus tells the tale of a man lying injured on the side of a road. Various people pass on by without reaching out to help. It's only when a man from Samaria passes by that the injured man finds a helping hand. It's Jesus' way of answering the question 'Who is my neighbour?' Jesus' point is that we are all neighbours, whether we know each other or not and



whether we live next door to somebody or not, and that we should all be responsive to each other's needs.

One of the clever twists in the musical is that each of the actors plays both one of the local characters and also one of the passengers arriving on the planes, making it clear that, whoever we are, we so often find ourselves continually switching between being the one able to offer a helping hand and the one who needs to receive help. To be a true neighbour, we must not only be good helpers but also recognise that, by graciously accepting help, we're enabling others to fulfil God's desire that we should all be offering help.

Yours in Christ, *Fr Simon* 



### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**



<u>Sapphire</u> Nikita Emerald
Poppy-Sue
Oliver

<u>Diamond</u> Ranjeet

### STARS OF THE WEEK

### **Ruby**

Lucas for superb knowledge of number bonds.

### **Sapphire**

- Henry for improving his presentation.
- ♣ Nicolas for creativy in English lessons.



### ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

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Whole School Attendance – 94.7%

Whole School Target Set - 96%

Please contact school on the first day of any absence. This can be done by calling **01279 723 204**, **Option 1** and then leaving a message on the absence line.

If you are going to be late, please also advise the school office to ensure a meal is ordered in time.

### **Emerald**

- ♣ Sienna T for always contributing her ideas in class even when she is unsure.
- Joshua for helping other classmates when in need off support.

### **Diamond**

- Daniel for his superb delivery of his lines.
- Arlo for learning all his lines.



### **NOTICES**

- ↓ KS2 End of Year Production is on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>
  July with 2 performances at 2 pm and 6.30 pm.
  Diamond and Emerald parents are cordially invited to attend. If you have not yet ordered your tickets, please send in your slip by 9 am on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July or ring the school office.
- **♣ Bouncy Day** is on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July** in the morning. Could we ask all children to come to school dressed in their **PE kits** please.
- ♣ Last day of term On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, school will finish at the earlier time of 1.30 pm for all pupils.
- **◆ Dinner Money** As we approach the end of the school year, please ensure that your child's dinner account balance has been cleared.

### **NEXT WEEK'S MENU** Day Menu Monday Chicken Grill (Red) Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) (Green) Cheese Roll (Yellow) Tuesday ❖ Quorn Hot Dog (V) (Red) ❖ Roasted Tomato Ragu (Ve) (Green) ❖ Ham Roll (Yellow) Wednesday ❖ Roast Chicken (Red) Cheese & Broccoli Bake (V) (Green) Cheese Roll (Yellow) **Thursday** Organic Beefy Pasta Bake (Red) **❖** Savoury Quiche (V) (Green) ❖ Ham Roll (Yellow) Crispy Coated Salmon (Red) **Friday** Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) (Green) ❖ Cheese Roll (Yellow)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Date	Event
08/07/22	Diamond Class Music Afternoon
12/07/22	Bouncy Day - AM
12/07/22	KS2 End of Year Production – 2pm & 6.30 pm
13/07/22	Last Swimming Lesson for Diamond
14/07/22	New Reception Welcome Morning
14/07/22	Secondary Transition Day
19/07/22	Year 6 Leavers Service at Church
20/07/22	Last Day of Term
21/07/22	Occasional Day
22/07/21	Jubilee Bank Holiday in lieu
01/09/22	Inset 1
02/09/22	Inset 2
05/09/22	First Day Back
14/09/22	Emerald Swimming starts
24/10/22 –	Half Term
28/10/22	
02/12/22	Occasional Day
08/12/22	Pantomime
21/12/22	Last Day of Term
05/01/23	Inset 3
06/01/23	Inset 4
09/01/23	First Day Back
13/02/23 –	Half Term
17/02/23	
20/02/23	Inset 5
21/02/23	First Day Back
31/03/23	Last Day of Term
17/04/23	First Day Back
29/05/23 –	Half Term
02/06/23	
21/07/23	Last Day of Term

Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@spellbrook.herts.sch.uk">admin@spellbrook.herts.sch.uk</a>
Website: <a href="mailto:www.spellbrook.herts.sch.uk">www.spellbrook.herts.sch.uk</a>



Mustard Seed our new
monthly short,
informal
service
with crafts
and activities



Followed by a party tea for children and hot refreshments for grown-ups.

# Why not join us at 4pm on the third Sunday of the month?

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November





FREE Football. NO Catches.



### Do you want to be a YouTube star?

We're looking for local children to take part in a short promotional film for our new Henry Moore Studios & Gardens YouTube channel and help us engage with families this summer.

If your child is aged between 6 and 11 and would be happy to appear on camera giving their reaction to the sculptures at Henry Moore Studios & Gardens, please get in touch.

Filming will take place after school on Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 July and will take up to two hours. Your child will receive a goody bag as a thank you and a free family ticket so you can come back over the summer.

When: 12 or 13 July, 4pm - 6pm Where: Henry Moore Studios & Garden, Perry Green, Herts SG10 6EE

Who: contact press@henry-moore.org to get involved

The film footage will be used on the Henry Moore Foundation website, social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube) plus in our PR campaigns. All children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of filming.

HENRY MOORE STUDIOS & GARDENS GJWSPORTS
Promoting a healthy & active lifestyle

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August Sports & Activity Camp

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August Football Camp

Reedings Junior School

Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth

Herts CM21 9DD

Year 1 – Year 7

9am - 3pm

£20 per day

To make a booking please visit: https://gjw-sports.class4kids.co.uk



Reading Chest.....





Email: bookings@sportzoneuk.com

www.readingchest.co.uk

Book rental for young readers



www.superstarsport.co.uk

## SAWBRIDGEWORTH LIBRARY

### **Summer Reading Challenge**

This year's Summer Reading Challenge will start on **Saturday 9**<sup>th</sup> **July** and run until **Saturday 3**<sup>rd</sup> **September**. This year's theme is Gadgeteers, and each child will receive a certificate, pencil and medal on finishing the challenge. There will be an opportunity to attend a formal presentation in the library.

There will also be a Gadgeteer character trail around the town with three prizes, one for each age group to be drawn at the end of the summer challenge. The presentation for this will be in Council Chamber.

For more information follow the link <a href="https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk">https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk</a>

Each child will need to be a library member or join the library to participate in the Summer Reading Challenge.

Best regards,

Sawbridgeworth Community Library Volunteers (SCLV)





# Sign up at: www.enhhcharity.org.uk/rainbow

Stevenage SG2 9BP

5k and 10k routes





MUSEUM MACHANICA READING

### **Free Track Cycling Session for Girls**

As part of a drive to encourage more girls into sport, Welwyn Wheelers/British Cycling are offering free track cycling taster sessions at the outdoor Velodrome at Gosling Park Welwyn Garden City.

These fully coached sessions are aimed at providing a pressure free, female only, introduction to track riding where everyone starts together. The expectation is that you can ride a bike but have no previous experience on a track bike or a velodrome.

For further details please visit Welwyn Wheelers website. <a href="https://www.welwynwheelers.org.uk/product/women-only-track-session-youth">https://www.welwynwheelers.org.uk/product/women-only-track-session-youth</a>