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Newsletter 5

Friday 6th October 2023

Cathedral Visit

On Thursday, Rockingham had the privilege of attending the annual Diocese Schools Service at Peterborough Cathedral. The service was led by member of the clergy including Venerable Richard Ormston, Archdeacon of Northampton and Revd John Holbrook, Acting Bishop of Peterborough.

The service saw around 1000 children come together from schools across the Diocese. A wonderful mix of singing from school choirs and the congregation, readings from the clergy, followed by a presentation of Bibles and a blessing to myself as new Headteacher of Great Addington made it a very special occasion.

The children's behaviour was outstanding and I felt very proud to be sat amongst them within the beautiful cathedral backdrop.



Great Addington's BIG RECYCLE DAY – Monday 9th October

On Monday 9th October, all classes will participate in recycling-themed activities throughout the day, along with creating posters for the local community to promote recycling.

We are still on the look out for junk-modelling resources such as bottles (washed out please), boxes, tubes etc. If these could please bring these with you on Monday we would be very grateful!



Let's make GA a 'non-reusable free zone'! Can you be completely recyclable for the day!? Check your lunchboxes etc and try your best to not bring anything with you to school that cannot be recycled.

Harvest Festival – Wednesday 11th October, 2pm

You are all invited to join us at All Saints Church, Great Addington on the **11th October at 2pm** for our Harvest Service.

Children from Reception to Year 6 will be sharing their Harvest work and singing songs.

A reminder that the school and church will be supporting the Irthlingborough Food Bank and any donations of non-perishable food items will be much appreciated. Children can bring these to school on the day of the service and we will take them with us to the church.

All are welcome at the service - we hope to see you there!

PSA update...

Please see attached two posters from the PSA with details of exciting upcoming events!

As you will see we not only have a mufti day coming up, but we also have our **Krispy Kreme doughnut day**, which proved to be very popular last time we did it. Order on ParentPay to guarantee a doughnut, as we won't know how many extra we might have to sell on the day, if any! The last day of term, **Friday 20th October**, will be a **mufti day**. All money raised this term will go towards new tables and benches for all children to use at lunchtimes.

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School Value

This week, Rockingham were nominated by Mr Marshall, Mrs Kirtland, Mr Meekings and myself for their fantastic behaviour during our cathedral visit. They were incredibly respectful to others as they walked through the cathedral and to the building itself. Well done Rockingham.

Congratulations to all those who received a certificate from their class teacher this week. Don't forget that if you have achieved something fantastic outside of school then please bring in your medals, trophies etc on a Friday. We love to celebrate your achievements!



Lunchtime Leaders

Introducing our 'lunchtime leaders'! Their role is to set up activities during lunchtimes in our quiet area and they have spent time this week organising and labelling their resources ready for lunchtime customers!



Covid Update

Cases of Covid are on the rise and so this is a timely reminder of the NHS guidance:

You are no longer required to do a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test if you have symptoms.

But if you or your child have tested positive for COVID-19:

- *try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day the test was taken if you or your child are under 18 years old – children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults*
- *try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day you took your test if you are 18 years old or over*
- *avoid meeting people who are more likely to get seriously ill from viruses, such as people with a weakened immune system, for 10 days after the day you took your test*

In line with the above guidance, adults who test positive should not come onto the school site for 5 days after the day they took the positive test.

Thank you for your cooperation with this - any questions, please feel free to contact school. Further information can be found following the links below:

Adults

In terms of adults, the following is from the NHS guidance:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-symptoms-and-what-to-do/>

Children specifically:

Advice if your child is unwell, following guidance from Chris Whitty's letter that was sent to schools on 5th September: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

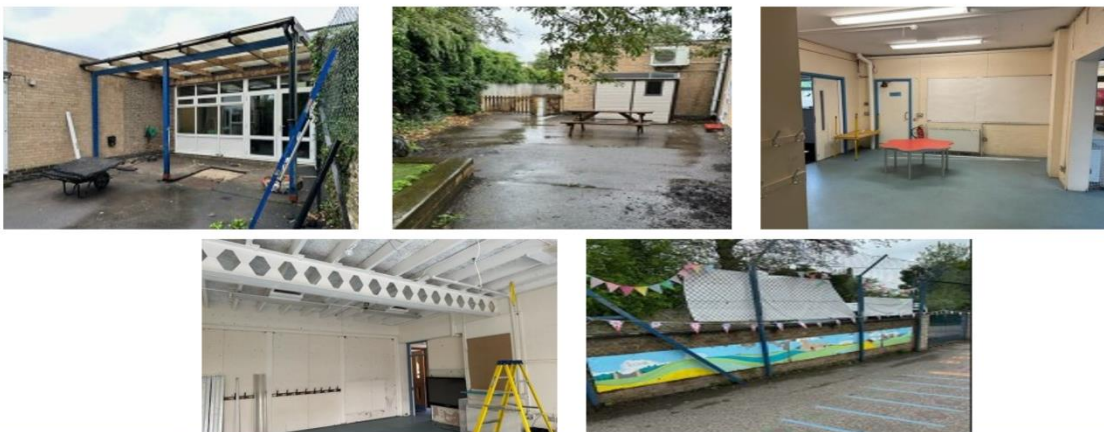
Flu Immunisations – Years R-6

Please keep an eye on your emails for information regarding upcoming flu immunisations. Thank you!

The transformation...

PDET have sent a few 'before and after' photos of our school's renovation over the summer. Quite the transformation, I hope you'll agree!

Great Addington Refurbishment (before)



Great Addington Refurbishment (after)



Photo Permission

Another reminder to please return your Photo Permission form to the office. Many thanks.

Finally, a little thank you from me for continually making me feel so welcome. I have very much enjoyed my first few weeks at Great Addington, with thanks to the children, families and staff.

Lucy Kingsnorth, Principal

The Great Addington Litter Pick

Saturday 14 October 2023
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