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Next week

Monday 13th November – Lilford Diwali celebrations (parents invited from 2:30pm)

Monday 13th November – Lamport Egyptian Day at Everdon Outdoor Centre

Monday 13th November – Rockingham Eden Project workshops

Wednesday 15th November – Deene Diwali celebrations (parents invited from 2:00pm)

Friday 17th November – Spotty mufti-day – please bring a donation for Children in Need



School Value

This half-term, the school is recognising its value of 'care' and we are linking this to kindness too. Congratulations to Hattie who was nominated by several staff and children in school this week for her kindness to others. Eliie-Rose and Daisy were also nominated this week for stopping their own race to help someone else over the line.

Thank you both, your care and kindness has been recognised!



Congratulations to all of those recognised for their great work this week and to the 16 new members of the 144 club!

Spelling Target Stickers

This term, we have introduced a new approach to how we teach spelling and grammar throughout the school. With due regard to the spelling requirements of the National Curriculum, we are using a Spelling Skills Ladder which carefully sequences the phonics and spelling progression across the school from Year 2 to Year 6, with clearly identified end points that children are expected to achieve by the end of each phase in the school. Following an initial assessment of spelling knowledge, all pupils are placed on the appropriate position of the Spelling Skills Ladder to ensure that subsequent work and targets are carefully matched to the ability of each child.

The school believes that the most effective way to assess pupils' spelling knowledge is, rather than testing a list of words, through its routine application within written work. Our new approach to spelling is now fully embedded within our classrooms and more information will be shared with you around this soon. But in the meantime, you will have noticed a 'Spelling Target' sticker in your home-school book.

Any practice of these at home would be greatly appreciated, yet try not to learn the words just as a list but in a more contextual approach. Can you include these words when writing a shopping list, a postcard, a kind note to someone in your house? The list of words on the target sticker is not exhaustive, so please feel free to add any words that you think are appropriate and support the targeted rule. When children apply their target consistently and independently within written work, new targets will be set.

Spelling Rule Target	
	Name Date
sound – word, word, word, word	
sound – word, word, word, word	
HFW – word, word, word, word	

Watch this space for more information on our new approach to 'Spelling'.

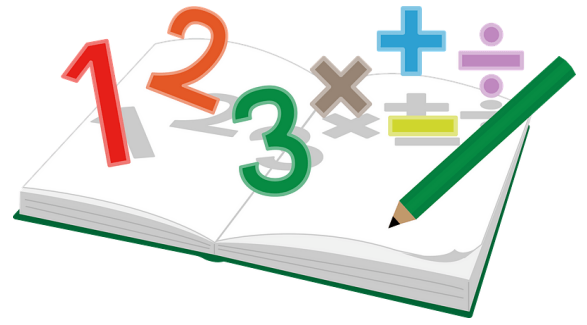
Sporting Success!

On Wednesday an incredible 29 children from KS2 descended upon Croyland Park in Wellingborough for the annual cross country races. Despite constant drizzle, the children were one of the few things not dampened throughout. With all races at least 1km long, everyone showed great stamina, drive and determination to succeed with their efforts to complete the course. We had slips and slides, with some children coming back more brown than blue, but with so many children making it across the line we are extremely proud of their resilience and effort that they all put in. Our school values were also once again on show with aplomb, children helping their classmates and even people from other schools throughout the races. Incredibly we even had two top 10 runners, with Olive finishing 9th and Lara finishing 6th in fields of over 100 competitors. A very proud Addington sporting event once again, well done to all who took part!



KIRFs

KIRFs are children's Key Instant Recall Facts that provide the foundation for learning within maths. Class teachers will have/will be sharing target KIRFs for each year group for this half-term and any help with learning these at home is very much appreciated and hugely supports the children's learning in school. Thank you!



PSA

On We are really looking forward to our upcoming film evenings, see the poster for more details. Tickets are available now on ParentPay.

Don't forget we also have our wreath making on 7th Dec, this event is always really popular so if you're interested we recommend booking tickets ASAP!

Lastly, keep an eye out for details of our Christmas raffle, which will be coming up soon - we have some amazing prizes including yearly passes, designer glasses and a set of AirPods! As always thank you everyone for your support.

Remembrance Day

On Friday, the whole school walked to the church to join Rev. Pauline in prayer and reflection for Remembrance Day.

All week, the children have been learning about the history and meaning of this important day through Collective Worship and in class. All have engaged in activities within the curriculum to support their learning such as writing black-out poems, making wreathes and poppy-art.



The Eden Project

The Eden Project is an initiative that offers educational workshops to primary schools throughout the UK.

"The workshops are a fantastic opportunity for the children to connect with the natural environment and engage with sustainability. The teachers from the Eden Project provide curriculum-based activities to explore our place in nature, where food comes from, and survival challenges".



Lampport enjoyed a fully information day of Zoom Workshops led by The Eden Project this week on 'Rainforest Forest Connections: People Plants and Planet', 'Sustainability Superstars; and 'Climate Response'. Children spoke very positively about their day and we are looking forward to more workshops from The Eden Project in the coming term with Rockingham.

Outdoor Explorers

On Tuesday, Deene and Lilford headed to Irchester Country Park for a day of outdoor learning in the beautiful autumn sunshine. Lilford made explorer crowns to keep camouflaged in the woods, enjoyed a forest scavenger hunt, heard the story of Mowgli-The-Man-Cub found in the Indian Jungle and were challenged to build shelters, just like Mowgli did to survive the jungle!

Deene climbed the biggest hills, found lots of mud, enjoyed hot chocolate, sketched trees, made autumn necklaces, took their art books into the woods and built their resilience amongst the trees. A fantastic day was had by all.



Lucy Kingsnorth, Principal