



NEWSLETTER



'Our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action'. (1 John 3:18)

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Agoo! This week was anti-bullying week and we have been reflecting on kindness through this year's focus on 'One Kind Word.' In line with our vision of 'love in action', I challenged the children and staff to do three kind things this week and a 'ripple of kindness' has been spreading throughout Great Addington School. Acts of kindness included helping children on the playground, supporting peers with their learning and even just spreading a smile. We also asked our children to wear odd socks in order to remind each other to be kind and embrace difference!

As part of these conversations, we have been discussing what to do if someone is unkind to you or makes you feel upset or uncomfortable. All of our staff have been reminding children that should someone be unkind, they should tell a member of staff so that it can be dealt with as soon as possible. More information on anti-bullying week 2021 can be found here: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/anti-bullying-week-2021-one-kind-word>.



Deene children relaxing on their newly donated settee, with thanks to Rosie and family

Today we dressed up or dressed down to raise money for BBC Children in Need. We had some fantastic outfits and raised an impressive amount of money. Thank you so much for your generosity towards this worthy cause!



The rest of our week has been busy as usual and we are starting to

build up to Christmas.

Finally, with confirmed cases of Covid in the school this week, I continue to urge you to be vigilant towards any symptoms and to follow government guidelines concerning PCR testing and isolation. Please do ask if you need clarification on this.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Emily Birch, Headteacher



Always guaranteed fun in the Mud Kitchell!!!

Thank you so much for your generosity.

£154.26

raised so far.....

CANCELLED

CANCELLATION OF KEY STAGE 2 FOOTBALL CLUB

There will be NO key stage 2 Football Club
next week

Tuesday 23rd November, 2021
due to staff training.

GOING CASH-LESS

Our Central Trust are aiming for all schools within the Trust to be cash-less by 31st December, 2021.

The main reasons for this decision are: it is safer, more efficient and adopts common technologies that most people now use in their every-day lives.

It is considered more efficient to use an online payment system that tracks deposits and expenditure in real time and needs less human involvement and administration. Many of you will already be familiar with online banking and online shopping and also completely comfortable paying for trips/activities/meals using ParentPay.

If you do anticipate any problems or do need a reminder of how to use ParentPay, please do speak to Christine. Thank you for your continued support.



FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME

I forwarded every parent an email from the NHS Foundation Trust giving details of the flu vaccinations which are available for every child at the school on

29TH NOVEMBER, 2021

To enable your child to receive their vaccination, it is essential that you click the link in the letter and complete the Consent Form. If you do not complete the Consent Form your child will be unable to have the vaccination in school. Please complete the Consent Form as soon as possible and if you have not received the letter emailed through by Christine, please let her know as a matter of urgency.

Parent Survey

Parents' views are always of paramount importance to us and we have therefore put together a short online questionnaire which we would be most grateful if you could complete and submit. The questionnaire will be sent out via email today and we look forward to receiving your responses as soon as possible.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

VENTILATION IN SCHOOL

With a big emphasis on essential ventilation in school in the fight against Covid 19, we have monitors in each classroom. This has meant that we do have to open windows and doors at certain times of the day and children can feel the cold. Can we suggest that children wear additional layers underneath their uniforms to allow for the temperature within the classrooms being lower than would normally be the case.

HOT SCHOOL MEALS

With the new hot school meals menu it is necessary to select a dessert if you wish your child to have a dessert. Please can we remind you to do this. Thank you.



CONSTANTINE, DONOVAN & FAMILY



As we say a sad farwell to Constantine, Donovan and their family as they return to The States we wish them all the very best and ask that they keep in touch with us!!!



ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS

We are currently looking at plans for the usual Christmas activities. Of course we wish to involve parents as much as possible in our festivities but are very mindful of keeping everybody safe, particularly at this special time of the year. We will keep you updated on our plans, and thank you for your understanding.

TIPS FOR BEING NET AWARE

1. Talk about online safety

Talking to your children, openly and regularly, is the best way to help them stay safe online. For children, online life is real life. In the same way that you'd ask about their day, reach out to your child to find out what they're doing online regularly - not just when you're worried.

Talk to your child regularly about what they're doing online and how to stay safe. Let them know they can come to you, another trusted adult or Childline if they're feeling worried or upset by anything they've seen.

2. Agree some rules about how they spend their time online

Sit down with your child and agree some rules around how long they can spend on certain devices and when they can do certain activities such as talk to friends or play games. For example, you might agree with them they can video call with friends but only if you're in the room. Or you might let them play games in the main family room at the weekends with their school friends.

Involving your child in this process will encourage them to think about how they spend time online and help them develop good online habits in the future.

Different rules will work for different families but often work best when agreed together as a family. That way your child can share things like how long each game lasts which is helpful to know when agreeing time limits. It can help to write down any new rules together as a family so you can come back to them later.

3. Look at the tools available to help

Parental controls can restrict what your children see and the type of content they come across. These are particularly popular with parents of younger children. Adjust the privacy settings on apps, sites and games including location settings. This allows you to choose what your child shares and what others see, like their location.

Remember - When a child uses the internet at a friend's or relative's house, parental controls and privacy settings may be different. This is why regular conversations with your child about online safety are so important, so they understand why you have agreed rules and boundaries to keep them safe online.

4. Explore the online activities your child likes

Explore your child's online activities together. Understand why they like using certain apps or games and make sure they know what they can do to keep themselves safe. Instead of using traditional board games, find out how to host a family games night online.

Lots of platforms have chat functions that let you to talk to people you don't know. Make sure to check the communication features on the apps and games your child uses and explore the safety features available.

Make sure you check in with your child regularly about who they're talking to on their favourite apps and games. Remind them that if someone starts asking them questions that make them feel unsure or uncomfortable, they should talk to you.

5. Look out for signs they might need more support

Parents and carers should look out for signs their child might have had a negative experience online. Some of them might include:

- Being withdrawn or more quiet than usual
- The child getting angry when you try to go near their device
- Mood swings
- issues with sleeping and their mental health
- A new behaviour from your child which doesn't have an obvious explanation.

Remember, as a parent you know your child best so trust your gut feeling that something might be wrong.

6. Know where to get further support

If your child sees something online that upsets or worries them it's important that you both know where you can get further support.

If you're worried about your child or need advice you might want to call the [NSPCC helpline](#) on 0808 800 5000.

Encourage your child to look at the [Childline](#) website, which has a range of great advice articles.

[Childline's Calm zone](#) is also packed with tools and activities to help your child de-stress and discover news techniques that can support them when they're feeling down. Young people can also talk about their worries with others on the Childline message boards.

The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command (CEOP) helps keep children safe from online grooming. If you suspect it is an adult who is in contact with your child, and they are behaving inappropriately then you should report this to the [CEOP](#).



The Stars of the Week



GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION
We would like to draw your attention to the GDPR page of the school website where you will find Privacy Notices for both pupils and parents and documents relating to this regulation.
<https://www.greataddingtonprimary.org.uk/information.aspx?page=108>
If you require any clarification on any aspect of this information, please do not hesitate to contact Christine.



We say a big **GET WELL SOON** To all the children who are off school poorly, Covid-related or otherwise. We look forward to welcoming you ALL back soon and send you our love and thoughts XXXXXX

Deene Class

Many thanks for all the people who baked for the Deene Cake Sale yesterday and to those who bought!!

The total of
£109.77

Has been raised. Further details of how the money will be spent to follow.

DEENE CLASS CAKE SALE



DEENE CLASS TRIP TO WEST LODGE RURAL CENTRE : CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

We are planning an exciting trip out for Deene Class to the West Lodge Rural Centre in Desborough for the Christmas experience on the 8th December. The children will spend the day at the farm and will get to see Santa and watch a live Nativity performance whilst there. Travel will be by school minibus and the children will be back at school in time for normal collection at 3 pm. They should wear school sweatshirts with joggers/trousers and trainers bringing a warm coat/hat/scarf etc suitable for a day outdoors.

We are asking for contributions of £15 to cover entrance and travel. Payments can be made on ParentPay. The children will be provided with a packed lunch on this day so please do not order a hot school meal.

Celebrating our children's milestones

Christening
Day

Congratulations to
**ELIZABETH &
KEZIAH**

Who will be Christened this
weekend.

Church Services



TIME	CHURCH	SERVICE
8.00 am	Irthlingborough	Holy Communion
9.15 am	Great Addington	Holy Communion
9.15 am	Little Addington	Morning Prayer
10.30 am	Irthlingborough	Holy Communion (also webcast) https://www.facebook.com/stpetersirthingborough
10.45	Woodford	Holy Communion



RECLAIM THE JOY OF SINGING

SINGING MAMAS

*Singing Circle for Women of all ages.
No experience needed, all voices welcome.*



**FRIDAYS TERM TIME
10-11.30AM
CRANFORD VILLAGE HALL
(NEAR KETTERING)**

hey@lindsaydalton.com

Teeth-gritting, award-winning, Thursday nights

We meet every Thursday evening to help Woodford's 6 to 8 year old Beavers get going, thinking and stuck into all kinds of things to give them skills for life. Every now and then that may mean tying a knot, but more often than not its about confidence, speaking up and going for it.

Volunteering is easier than you think. You can give as much or as little time as you like. Can you help?

Contact

1stwoodfordscouts@gmail.com

. Telephone Richard
07802215276/Michelle
07850751750



Please see details of our next Open Day **THIS MONDAY: 22nd November**. Please do spread the word if you know anybody with children starting school in September, 2022.



GREAT ADDINGTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Monday
22nd
NOVEMBER
2021

**OPEN DAY
FOR NEW
PUPILS**



Woodford Road
GREAT ADDINGTON
Kettering
Northants NN14 4BS

*Come along and see
what our beautiful
village school has to
offer*

PLEASE BOOK ATTENDANCE
ON
bursar@gt-addington.northants-edl.gov.uk

*Can't make it,
give us a ring on
this number
01536 330642*

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PARENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



Great Addington School PSA

Christmas Wreath Making

Monday 6th December 2021 at 7.30 pm

Great Addington Village Hall

£25.00 per person

Price includes everything you need to make your wreath plus a glass of mulled wine

Tickets available from Christine in the School Office

All profits raised will go towards Great Addington School PSA

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The PSA have 4 brand-new white logo polo shirts in size 7-8 available to purchase at the bargain price of £4.50 each.

If you would like one, please email

Christine: bursar@dgt-addington.northants-ed.gov.uk and send the money in in an envelope for the PSA.

Please send money in an envelope with request for tickets to the school office and tickets will be sent home.

DODGEBALL

DELIVERED BY DODGEBALL QUALIFIED
DBS CHECKED COACHES

IRTHLINGBOROUGH - TUESDAYS - 5.30-6.30PM
 THRAPSTON - WEDNESDAYS - 5.30-6.30PM
 STANWICK - THURSDAYS - 5.30-6.30PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
 PRSPORTSCOACHING@GMAIL.COM
 WWW.PRSPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK TO BOOK

£5
PER SESSION
(FIRST ONE FREE)

7 - 14 YEAR OLDS

PR SPORTSCOACHING

IT'S THIS SUNDAY? DON'T MISS IT!
 St Mary's church LA, Sunday November 21st from 2 to 4 pm

Afternoon Tea

Tombola, raffle, games and seasonal fun!



THE KEY COACHING COMPANY

<https://rachelarogers.wixsite.com/thekeycoachingcompany>

Unlock your potential happiness with The Key Coaching Company.

We believe in the power of YOU.

We offer walking talking coaching in the beautiful Northamptonshire countryside. Our aim is to work with you to optimise your potential so that you can be happier and more fulfilled, with the added benefits of gentle exercise and mindful relaxation.

ABOUT US

At The Key Coaching Company, Rachel will work with you to identify your aims, and find out what makes you happy. Once your goals are aligned with your values, she can help you to set realistic and achievable targets to change your life for the better. All of our sessions are set outside so that you can experience the benefits of a beautiful restful space, using sights and sounds of nature to ground you and help you relax. Rachel has had many years experience of coaching in a professional and personal capacity, and uses a variety of methods to help you feel confident and at ease.

Coaching is also available remotely online if you prefer and in case of inclement weather.

OUR SERVICES

Our coaching services are completely bespoke to you. We can work with your agenda and at your pace. We listen and we unpick your goals and create a programme that fits with your life goals.