

Newsletter No. 27

5th July 2019

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“Show proper respect to everyone.” Peter 2 v17



Dear parents and carers

What an amazing two weeks we have had! Last week a group of pupils went with Mrs Hann and Mrs Drinkwater to Neville Holt Opera House to perform their very own opera: 'Peck!'. Our pupils have been rehearsing with Mahogany Opera and Snappy Opera to produce an incredible piece of work complete with props and scenery created by Miss Govind and Year 4 pupils. We are very proud of them as they represented the Abbey brilliantly and sang beautifully.

This week Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils have been competing at the DRET Summer Cup in Grantham. Mrs Robertson, Mrs Cadle, Miss Bowditch, Mrs Drinkwater and Mr Wesson (Football and Fitness coach) accompanied the pupils and cheered them on as they competed in a variety of sporting events. The DRET Summer Cup is the highlight of the Trust sporting calendar, bringing pupils from across the network for a day of sporting competition. Pupils are joined by Team GB Olympians and other inspirational athletes. From swimming to table tennis and field sports, to the 4x4 relay, the event provides the opportunity for Primary and Secondary Academies to compete for the coveted Trust Summer Cup.

Our own Abbey Sports Day took place last week followed by a family picnic, and I'm sure everyone who attended the event enjoyed seeing the pupils compete, showing resilience and perseverance, and having a really fun time. Thankyou to Friends of the Abbey who provided a BBQ and raffle for the event.

Today pupils have travelled to Corby with Mrs Coombs to attend the DRET Dance festival. Our wonderful pupils will be dancing on stage at the Corby Cube, and having seen the rehearsals, I know that they will be absolutely wowing the audience with their performance. Mrs Colson has choreographed and taught the dance, and she has done a brilliant job!

With so many enrichment opportunities going on, our school has been a very vibrant and joyful place, and we are so proud of the behaviour of the pupils, and the commitment of the staff to these activities.

Next week we have transition day on Tuesday. Pupils will be finding out on Monday which class they are going to join. We look forward to welcoming our new Year 3 pupils. It's always a sad time of year when we think about our Year 6 pupils moving on and leaving the Abbey – but we have lots more to do this term and they will continue to be busy and productive as they prepare for their Leavers' Service at the end of term.

Jane Wade

Attendance for this week

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| Starfish | 94.62% | Seahorses | 99.17% |
| Dolphins | 90.40% | Turtles | 99.05% |
| Jaguar | 91.48% | Lions | 91.43% |
| Tigers | 95.71% | | |

Well done to Seahorses 99.17%

Water Bottles

With the weather warming up at last, please ensure your child has a water bottle which can be re-filled during the school day using the water.

Dates for the Diary

July

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| Tuesday 9th | Transition Day |
| Wednesday 17th | Year 6 Trip to Wicksteed Park |
| Monday 22nd | Parent/Teacher consultations following reports (3:30pm—4:30pm) |
| Tuesday 23rd | Year 6 Leavers Service 2pm Holy Cross Church and Year 6 Leavers Party (6:30pm—8:00pm) |
| Wednesday 24th | Term Ends |

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SCHOOL TERM DATES 2019-2020

Term 1

SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY

MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER & TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

TERM STARTS

WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER

Term 2

TERM STARTS

MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER

Term 3

SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY

THURSDAY 2ND JANUARY & FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY

TERM STARTS

MONDAY 6TH JANUARY

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

Term 4

SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY

MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

TERM STARTS

TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

Term 5

TERM STARTS

MONDAY 20TH APRIL

SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY

FRIDAY 8TH MAY

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 22ND MAY

Term 6

TERM STARTS

MONDAY 1ST JUNE

TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 17TH JULY