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### *Working Together in God's Hands*

Dear Parents

This week has seen our pupils compete in a gymnastics competition at Lings and a swimming gala in Daventry; Class 1 enjoyed an exciting "Stick Man" themed day at Holdenby Outdoor Learning Centre; we were joined by School Pastors for worship on Tuesday and hosted our termly Values Worship in school on Thursday, pupils enjoyed a disco on Wednesday and parents were welcomed to a PTFA coffee morning on Friday, with a cake sale this afternoon. All this alongside all the regular clubs and activities, plus the first week of the latest round of rehearsals for Strictly. Phew! I wish all the pupils, parents and staff a relaxing half term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 19 February.

#### **SIAMS Inspection Report**

As previously mentioned, the school recently received its SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican & Methodist Schools). The full report has now been issued and is available to read on the school website (on the *School Information* page *Reports* sidebar).

#### **World Book Day**

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 1 March. All pupils are invited to come to school dressed as a character from a book that they have read and enjoyed, and bring the book along too if they have it. Please note that costumes should be of characters from **books not films** and clothing and footwear should still be school appropriate please.

#### **Moulton Library**

All the staff at Sywell are passionate about reading and encourage the children to read a wide variety of written material. As just mentioned, we are celebrating World Book Day and the School Council recently raised funds for the school library with their cookie sales. We also hugely value the Library Service. All pupils will be coming home today with a letter from the School Council urging you to support the campaign to save our local library in Moulton. We hope you will feel able to lend your voice.

#### **PE Kit**

An ever increasing number of pupils do not have a full PE kit in school. PE is an essential part of the school curriculum and all pupils are required to participate. Please ensure that your child returns next term with a PE bag containing a minimum of top, shorts and plimsolls that fit. Thank you.

#### **Reporting Absences**

If your child is ill, or, for any other reason, will not be attending school that day, or is going to be significantly late, **please notify the school by 9.00am**. This can be by email to [bursar@sywell-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk](mailto:bursar@sywell-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk) or by telephoning the office on 644565 and leaving a message. Please note that even if the office is closed you can still leave a message on the answering machine. If you do not notify the school, and your child is not present for registration, we are obliged to contact you to

### Our Pause for Thought

*"Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time."*

*1 Peter 5:6*

*Chosen by Mrs Shortland*

### Our Value of the Term is

Service

confirm your child's whereabouts; it is our statutory safeguarding duty to do so. Subsequent days of absence should be notified in the same manner.

Please also notify the school office of any planned absences, such as for medical appointments as early as possible.

### **Head lice**

We have some cases of head lice in school. Please check your child's hair thoroughly for lice and/or nits and treat accordingly.

### **Upcoming Events & Dates for the Diary**

Monday 19 February	Term 4 starts
Tuesday 20 February	Chinese New Year Workshop (whole school)
Thursday 1 March	PTFA Meeting 8pm @ Overstone Manor
Friday 2 March	World Book Day
Wednesday 14 March	Class 3 trip to Living Rainforest
Friday 16 March	Parents' Evening – Details to follow
Monday 19 March	Blessing of the stained glass windows by Rev Katrina Hutchins
Wednesday 28 March	Class photographs
Thursday 29 March	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
	Term 4 ends 3.30pm

### **Safeguarding and E-safety**

Please remember that if you have any concerns regarding safeguarding or child protection (including e-safety) then you should raise your concerns with the designated safeguarding leads within school. They are Russell Lunn and Sonia Byrne.

For more advice about safeguarding and e-safety, please see the following sites:

<http://www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk/>

<https://ceop.police.uk/>

With best wishes



Russell Lunn  
**Head Teacher**