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Working Together in God's Hands

Dear Parents

This week we have had groups of children take part in inter-schools' competitions in both Gymnastics and Archery. Our wider participation in sporting events such as these is only made possible by the leasing of the school minibus which is generously part-funded by PTFA donations. There is currently the opportunity for a PTFA volunteer to train as a minibus driver. The volunteer driver must have a D1 category on their driving licence and be willing and available to assist with transport on occasional trips during the school day. If anyone would be interested in undertaking the minibus training, please speak to Mr Lunn.

PTFA Disco

The Valentine's Disco will take place next Thursday from 6.00pm until 7.30pm. Tickets are £3. Payment may be brought to the school office (correct money in a named envelope please). If you are able to help on the evening please see Sara Steele (Lucy & Hattie's mum).

Fortnite- What parents need to know

We know that many of our pupils are familiar with the game Fortnite, despite it having a PEGI rating which considers the game only suitable for players aged 12 and above. Please see the attached information sheet which we hope parents will find helpful.

Worship

Next Friday, rather than Celebration Worship in the school hall, we will be having our termly Values Worship in Sywell Church from 2.00pm. Parents are invited to join us in church for this service. All pupils will require collecting from the church at 2.45pm, unless attending the Drop Off, in which case those pupils will be escorted back to school.

As a school we complete an act of collective worship every day, which may be in the school hall or, occasionally, in the village church. Worship can be led by teachers, the vicar, visiting lay people, and by pupils themselves. But however or wherever we worship, it is an opportunity in the school day for pupils to be calm, quiet, reflective and respectful. On Friday's this takes the form of Celebration Worship to which parents are invited to share in the act of Christian worship and celebrate the achievements of all our children. On occasion, parents request that their child receives a certificate before the full worship begins as they are unable to stay for the duration of the service. We always endeavour to facilitate this, but are increasingly aware that it can cause disruption. We therefore ask that parents only make this request at times when departing early is entirely unavoidable. Alternatively, parents may also request that an award be postponed until you are able to attend a full Celebration Worship.

Library Book Amnesty

We have a large number of books missing from the school library. Could all parents please have a good look in their childrens' bedrooms and bookshelves for any school books. Please return them to the big pink box in the library area.

Our Pause for Thought

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Matthew 18:20

Our Value of the Term is

Trust

Clubs

A reminder that Miss Bates' Gymnastics and Dance Clubs are not on next week. These two clubs will commence again after the half term break. All other clubs continue next week as usual.

Upcoming Events & Dates for the Diary

Every Wednesday	Praying Parents 8.55am in school (Goldfish Bowl)
Wednesday 13 February	Circusology workshop
Thursday 14 February	PTFA Valentine's Disco 6.00pm-7.00pm
Friday 15 February	Values Worship 2.00pm at Sywell Church (collect at 2.45pm) End of Term 3
Monday 25 February	Start of Term 4
Friday 8 March	NMPAT Wind Ensemble Concert in the hall 11.00am
Tuesday 19 March	Class group photographs
Thursday 28 March	Class 2 French Café – details to follow
Friday 29 March	Sywell's Got Talent – details to follow
Friday 5 April	End of Term 4

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
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