



18 MAY | International
Museum
Day

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Some of Northamptonshire's Free Museums

[Northampton Museum and Art Gallery](#)

For the number one place to find out more about the town of Northampton and its history, head to the Northampton Museum and Art Gallery.

Here you'll learn about the area's importance to the footwear industry (they have over 1,200 pairs of shoes!), as well as displays of fine art and archaeology.

[Abington Museum](#)

This free museum in Northampton features a number of interesting exhibitions. Such as their historic fashion gallery, a look at the local leather trade, and the Victorian Cabinet of Curiosities.

[Irchester Narrow Gauge Railway Museum](#)

Set in a beautiful country park in Wellingborough which houses a number of exhibits and artefacts from the rail industry. Including steam and diesel locomotives, with over 30 items of rolling stock for train lovers to enjoy!

[Wellingborough Museum](#)

This museum explores the history of the market town of Wellingborough and its surrounding villages. With galleries dedicated to the Victorian age and World War One, as well as a full 1940s living room.

[Sywell Aviation Museum](#)

Discover Northamptonshire military and civilian aviation history at this museum in the village of Sywell.

Visitors can explore aircraft cockpits, uniforms, photos, dioramas and more, and it's a perfect day out for kids.

[Rushden Transport Museum](#)

The Rushden Transport Museum is found in the Old Midland Railway Station which dates back to 1894, and now houses this excellent museum which highlights the development of road and rail transport in the area.

[Carpetbagger Aviation Museum](#)

The Carpetbagger Aviation Museum was initially formed as part of the USAAF's 801st / 492nd Bomb Group (also known as the Carpetbaggers).

Nowadays it's a fully functioning museum with a history of the airfield itself, and the Carpetbagger's secret missions to deliver agents and supplies to resistance groups in Europe during WW2.



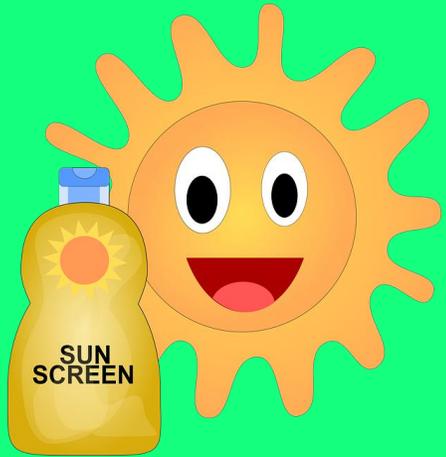
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Outstanding



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week our wonderful Year 6 children have taken their end of Key Stage 2 assessments, and we couldn't be prouder of them and the fantastic work they completed throughout the year, along with every year prior to this! They completed the assessments with confidence, and we know they have done their very best. In addition to this, they have been working brilliantly in all areas of the curriculum and we can't wait to see their final self-portraits that they are working on in art. Today, they have enjoyed a celebratory picnic on the field with lots of sports to take part in! Throughout the school, children have continued to amaze me, and especially this week, I have seen so many wonderful pieces of art, history and science. The creative with the factual blending together with great knowledge thrown in! Superb! As the sun has started to shine, let's hope it stays for the weekend! Please have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Fennelly



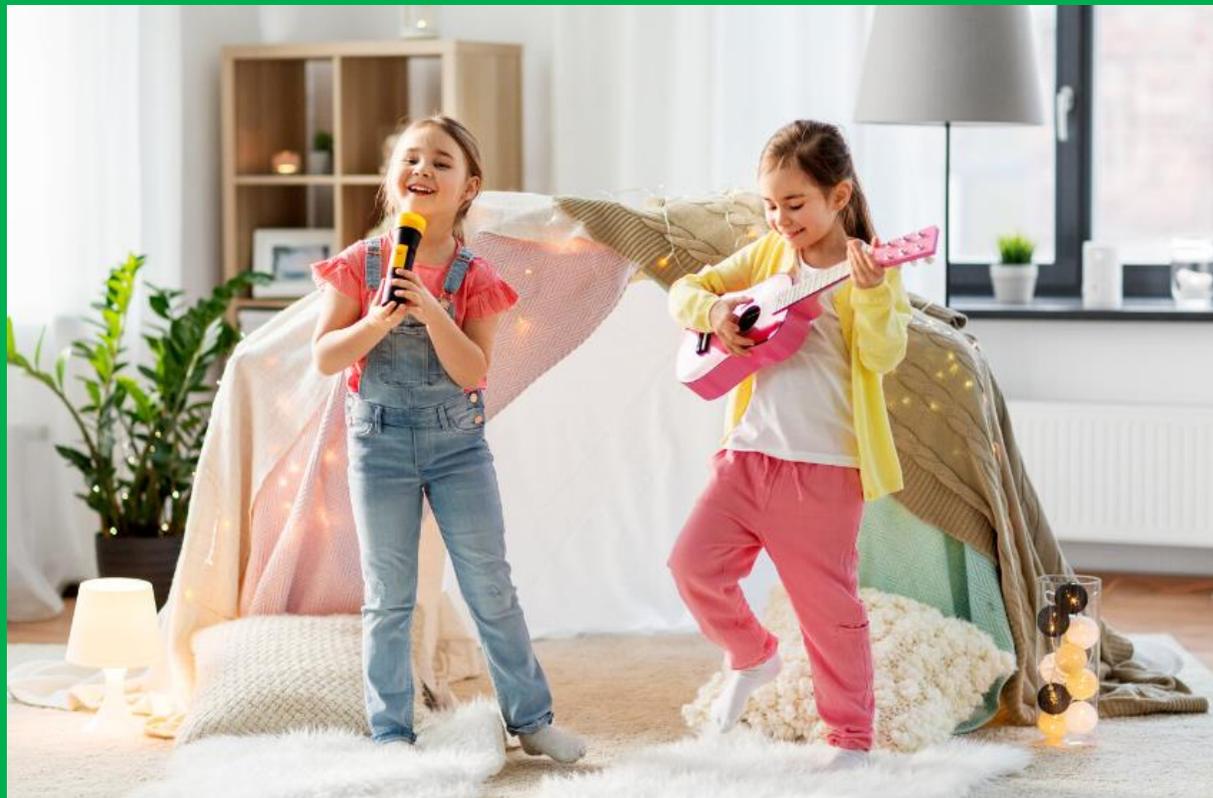
Hot weather is (hopefully) here

- Remember your **Water Bottle**
- Bring a **Sun Hat**
- Apply **Sunscreen** before coming to school



Does your child love to sing and dance? Try out these fun music activities to get into the groove!!

[Awesome At-Home Music Activities for Kids — The Music Room](https://themusicroomleeds.com)
(themusicroomleeds.com)



READ, READ, READ

Reading is the one thing that has the biggest impact on children's outcomes as they grow! The more you read with your child or listen to them read, the more their minds will grow!

[Tips for reading with your child | BookTrust](#)

Reading with your child

Sharing a book with a child is fun! It's a time for closeness, laughing and talking together – and it can also give children a flying start in life and help them become lifelong readers.

Families, Fun & Fellowship

St Benedict's church (NN4 9UG)

Sunday 19th May

3.30 – 5.00 pm



Explore more, through
activities and play about

**Our Planet &
Creation**

Free Event

Family Fun

We are holding an event to have fun, make
things, and celebrate our world.

Crafts, story and food, for families with primary
aged children plus brothers and sisters.

Tea, coffee and cake for adults.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please phone or email to book your places:

admin@stbens.uk or vicar@stbens.uk

www.stbenedictschurchnorthampton

Free Event

Welcome to the children and families who will be joining us in Reception in September 2024. We can't wait to start this exciting journey with you.



Weekly Poster

This week, we celebrated how proud we all are of every child in school. It's also important for children to recognise their own achievements and to proud themselves!

Great work everyone!



**BE PROUD OF
YOURSELF
FOR
HOW HARD
YOU'RE
WORKING.**

Science in the Garden

If you'd like to complete some science fun in the garden, take a look at these ideas on the **National Geographic website- [Garden science experiments for kids](#) | [Parents](#) | [Nat Geo Kids](#)**



Science experiments that will make your kids' curiosity bloom

These plant-based activities will teach kids about springtime science...



Make a mini greenhouse – and learn how seeds sprout



See a leaf breathe – and check out photosynthesis



Test bee memory – and watch these animals learn



Scooters and Bikes

It's great to see lots of children coming to school on scooters and bikes. Please remember that they should be pushed through the school grounds and not ridden.

This will keep everyone safe.





REMINDER



Lessons begin at 08:45am with a morning task in all classrooms. We know that a prompt start in the mornings has huge benefits on a child's learning. Unfortunately, repeated lateness can mean children missing vital input required for the day ahead.

Please ensure your child arrives in school on time, via their classroom.

If your child arrives through the office, they will be marked as late.

Dates for your



Date	Year group	Event
20th May	Whole School	Northants community choir singing to our children
23rd May	Whole School & Families	Pre-Loved clothing sale
24th May	Whole School	We will be sending pint pots home. Filled pots will be used at our summer fete <i>No Nuts or Chocolate please</i>
4th June	New starters for Reception 2024	Taster sessions
4th June	Whole School	Unwanted toys, books and other items, please bring to your teacher
7th June	Whole School	Mufti (wear your own clothes) Bring a bottle
7th June	Whole School & Families	Fun Run 3:30pm to 4:30pm. If taking part, wear PE for the day

Dates for your



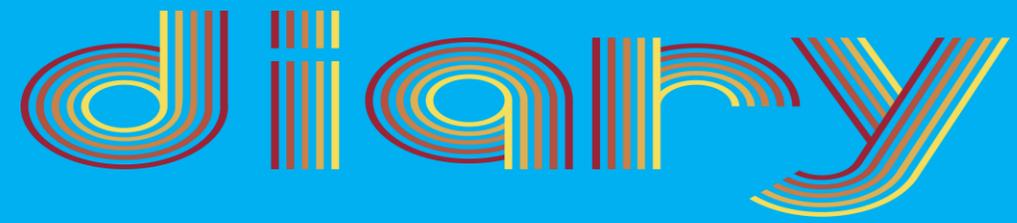
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13th June	New Reception Parents 2024/25	Parent Intake Meeting 6:00pm to 8:00pm
17th June	KS1 (Reception, Years 1, 2 & SU)	9:30am Sports Day – families invited to the school field
21st June	Year 6	Transition Prayer Space
21st June	Whole School	Mufti day for returning your pint pots
28th June	Whole School	End of Year Reports
29th June	Whole School & Community	School Summer Fete – Every-one invited
1st July	Changemakers	Changemakers to University of Northampton
8th & 9th July	Whole School	Transition Days
10th July	KS2 (Year 3, year 4, year 5 & Year 6)	9:30am Sports Day – families invited
11th & 12th July	Whole School	Circus Skills Day- more information to come

Dates for your



Date	Year group	Event
15th July	Music groups, choirs- details of whom to come	Performing Arts Evening 5:30pm to 7:30pm
17th July	Drama Club Players	Drama Performance 10:00am to parents and families. Tickets coming soon
17th July	Whole School	Children's Summer Disco 3.15pm to 4.15pm for Years SU, Rec, 1 & 2 4:30pm to 5:30pm for Years 3 & 4 5:45pm to 6:45pm for Years 5 & 6
18th July	Drama Club Players	Drama Performances 1:45pm & 6:00pm to parents and families. Tickets available soon
19th July	Whole School & Families	Art Exhibition starts at 2:30pm
22nd July	Year 6 & Families	Leavers Assembly followed by tea and cake on the field
23rd July	Whole School	SdS Has Talent Show. Children only.
23rd July	Year 6	Domino's Pizza Lunch

Trips Dates for your



Year Group	Date	Event
Reception	23rd May	Crocodiles of the World
Year 1	14th June	Woburn Safari Park
Year 3	20th – 21st June	Frontier Centre Residential
Year 4	26th – 28th June	West Runton Residential
Year 4	4th June	National Art Gallery London – Take One Picture
Year 5 Dyson Class	18th June	The Festival Performance at the Royal & Derngate
Year 6	12th June	STEAM Event at University of Northampton
Year 6	1st - 5th July	Isle of Wight Residential

Dates from The Friends

Year Group	Date	Event
Whole School	May 23rd	Pre Loved Uniform Sale
Whole School	May 23rd	Pint Pots Sent Home
Whole School	June 4th	Bring any unwanted toys, books, items in good condition
Whole School	June 7th	Mufti Day in return for bringing a bottle into school
Whole School	June 21st	Mufti day in return for bringing the filled pint pot back into school
Whole School	June 28th	Key skills- to bake a cake for the fete- bring in to school today
Whole School	June 29th	Summer Fete

Are you looking for part time job?

We are looking to recruit a reliable and committed Lunchtime Supervisor to join our hard-working team. The successful candidate will be able to work effectively as a member of the team, have excellent interpersonal skills and consistently support the school values and approaches.

Start date ASAP

Days of work: Monday – Friday

**Starting salary: Grade C, Point 2 (£22,366 FTE – pro-rata). Hourly rate
£11.59**

Contract: Permanent, 5 hours per week (term time only – 38 weeks per year)

**If you are interested and would like more details or would like to apply please
email: info@simondesenslis.org**

Think of the Week

A **think** is an **unusual question** that makes you **think**. A beguiling question about everyday things that stops you in your tracks and helps you start to look at the world in a whole new light.



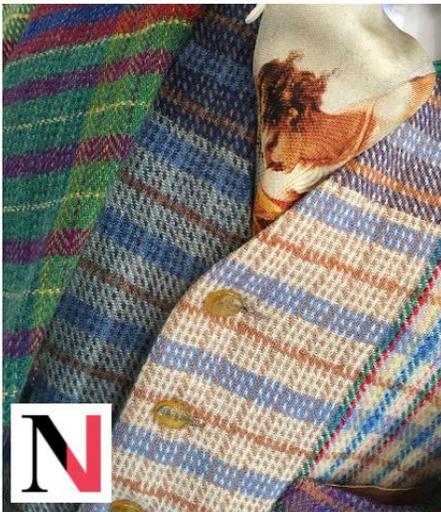
Thinking about yourself,
what are you most proud
of this week?
Think of someone else, why
are you proud of them?



Northampton Museum and Gallery- town centre free exhibitions.

[What's On \(northamptonmuseums.com\)](http://northamptonmuseums.com)

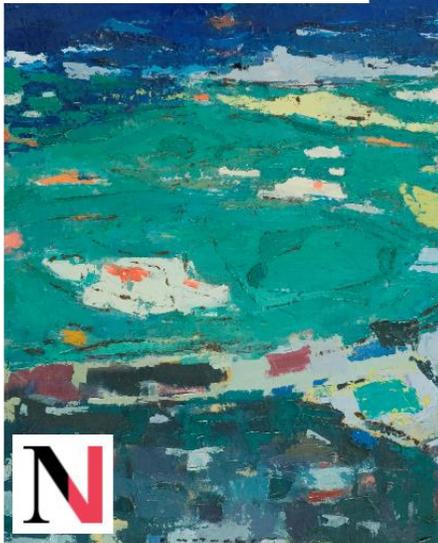
Vivienne Westwood: A Personal Collection



Life and Art: Elke Pollard Retrospective



From The Collection: Abstract Art



Unearthed: Portable Antiquities Scheme finds from Across Northamptonshire



Unearthed: Portable Antiquities Scheme Finds from across Northamptonshire

January to April 2024

An exhibition of archaeological finds in four Northamptonshire libraries

Brackley Library | Towcester Library
Daventry Library | Weston Favell Library



Scan to view the list of Northamptonshire Libraries



Scan for more information about the exhibition

Northampton Museum & Art Gallery
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www.northamptonmuseums.com

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West Northamptonshire Council



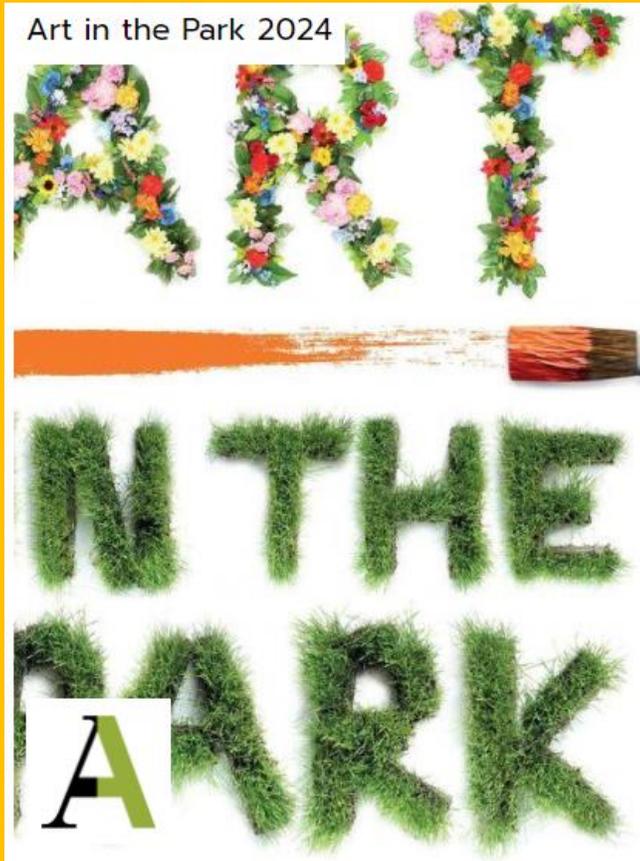
Abington Park Museum- free exhibitions.

[What's On \(northamptonmuseums.com\)](http://northamptonmuseums.com)

Beyond Photography: Artworks by Andy Carter



Art in the Park 2024



It's A Bug's Life



Northampton Museum and Gallery- town centre free exhibitions.

[What's On \(northamptonmuseums.com\)](http://northamptonmuseums.com)



TITANIC: HONOUR AND GLORY

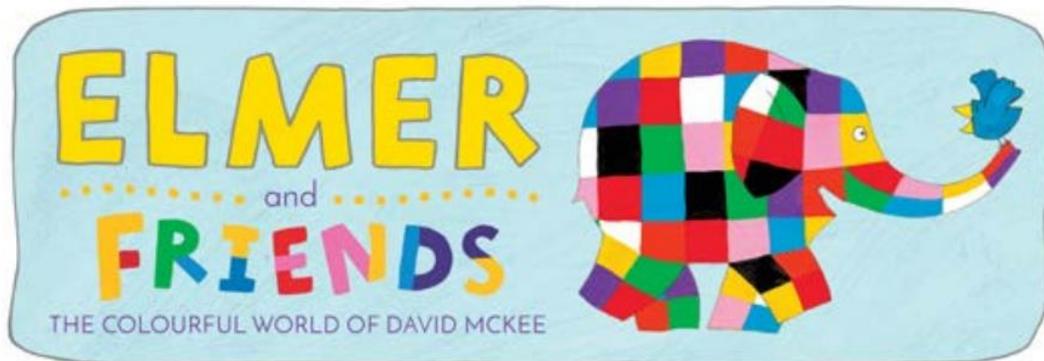
22 June - 15 September

Northampton Museum & Art Gallery

This exciting exhibition brings to life the history of the legendary ocean liner, the Royal Mail Steamer Titanic. From her conception to her premature demise, Titanic has become one of the most famous ocean liners in the world, displaying artefacts from the disaster and props from the blockbuster film, *Titanic*.

Northampton Museum and Gallery- town centre free exhibitions.

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ELMER AND FRIENDS: THE COLOURFUL WORLD OF DAVID MCKEE

6 July - 8 September

Northampton Museum & Art Gallery

As if by magic, Elmer, Mr Benn, and Bernard will be appearing at Northampton Museum and Art Gallery as the colourful world of David McKee is brought to life through original paintings, storyboards and illustrations, film, and interactives. There is something for big and little kids to discover as these well-loved characters are revealed. An exhibition from Seven Stories, The National Centre for Children's Books.

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The National Centre for Children's Books



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CRAFT & CHATTER

Every Friday, 12.30-2pm

Northampton Museum & Art Gallery

If you are looking for a way to unwind after a busy week or just want to make some new crafting friends, come along with your chosen craft to these friendly informal sessions. They take place every Friday lunchtime in the Northampton Museum & Art Gallery lower café area.

Drop in - no booking required but please purchase a drink or something to eat from the café.

Free Admission - donations welcome

Northampton Museum and Gallery- town centre free exhibitions.

[Northampton_Museum_What_s_on_May_August_2024.pdf](#)

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THURSDAY MORNING TALKS

10.30am-12pm
Northampton Museum & Art Gallery

Thursday 2 May **Spirit Photography in the Victorian Era**

Speaker: Corrine Gretton - West

Find out about the Spirit Photographers from the 1800s that used the Wet Plate Collodion process to create images of ghosts during the rise of spiritualism.

Thursday 16 May **The Underground Railroad - Patterned Path to Freedom**

Speaker: Kay Goddard

The incredible bravery, secrecy, and indomitable endeavours of escaping slaves from the Southern States of America. How stitching quilt blocks helped them to flee to safety in Northern states and Canada.

Thursday 6 June **D-Day**

Speaker: Richard Gibbons

D-Day was the name given to the June 6th, 1944, invasion of the beaches of Normandy. A fascinating insight into the build-up to D-Day, the plans for the invasion, landings, the campaign in the Bocage, and the aftermath.

Thursday 20 June **The Last Naval Hero**

Speaker: Roy Smart

The extraordinary story of David, 1st Earl Beatty, who rose with meteoric speed from humble Royal Naval Cadet to First Sea Lord and his controversial part in the greatest battle in maritime history. His life in the Shires, marital strife, immense riches, and scandal!

Thursday 4 July **Sulgrave Manor**

Speaker: Martin Sirot-Smith

Sulgrave Manor and the Washington Family. Meet Lawrence Washington, twice Mayor of Northampton and builder of Sulgrave Manor.

Thursday 18 July **Mata Hari - Spy or Scapegoat?**

Speaker: Philomena Liggins

In 1917 Mata Hari was executed by the French as a German spy. Though she professed her innocence the British and French authorities thought otherwise. Who was right?

IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK...

This week, Ks1 and Ks2 had different assemblies. Ks1 had a visit from Wyn Williams, a visitor from a local church, to tell the children a story from the Christian bible.

KS2 learned about the work of archeologists. We learned about an archeological dig in Italy where clues have been found about the life of neolithic people. We then considered whether or not we can learn important life lessons from people in history. we also discussed whether or not we needed to have the same opinions on these things and linked this to the British Value of Individual Liberty.



SPORTS - WALKING

Did you know, walking is great for your health and wellbeing and what a fantastic way to get the family together and enjoy our beautiful countryside. This event takes place in Wellingborough every year with many different routes of varying distances travelling through the natural beauty of North Northamptonshire Countryside and the Nene Valley. Along the walks you'll visit country parks, quaint villages (maybe a pub or two!) and use the new bridge to access Chester House Estate. The walks start at the Castle Theatre, and you will be rewarded with a badge on completion of your route. For more information visit the website; <https://www.wellingboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk/visit-or-information/international-waendel-walk-2024/>

Enjoy the ramble and stay active, Miss Bland

43rd
INTERNATIONAL WAENDEL Walk

Wellingborough
17th - 19th May 2024
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www.wellingboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk

INTERNATIONAL WAENDEL WALK
WELLINGBOROUGH ENGLAND

BRITISH WALKING FEDERATION

WALKING ASSOCIATION

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok

SPORTS -

*Looking for something
active to do in the holiday?*



Northamptonshire Sport continue to run holiday activity camps at Benham Sports Arena. The cost is £15 per child per day for 5 to 11 year olds. Skills will be taught and developed through fun games and activities to help children develop fundamental movement skills .

For booking and information go to;

<https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/type/events/may-activity-camps/>

Stay active – Miss Bland

School Mental Health Leads

Ms Cunningham and Miss Garrard are the Mental Health Leads at Simon de Senlis

If you have any worries or concerns about any aspect of your child's mental wellbeing please speak to your child's class teacher or contact us in school.



Laura Cunningham

Inclusion Leader
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Senior Mental Health Lead



Hannah Garrard

Family Support Worker
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mental Health First Aider

Miss Garrard says...

On the 18th of May, SENDS 4 Dads will be once again holding their comic con " SENDS 4 The Heroes"

This is a fun event for the whole family where we will have local artists from our SEND families alongside publishers from the comic industry. We will also have an arts and crafts area for everyone to try out their own creations.

Spiderman will be there on the day, and we encourage anyone to come along in their own costumes.

Further details on the event can be found on the poster or on SENDS 4 Dad main Facebook page.

Details of some of their events can be found here [SENDS 4 Dad event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

FREE ENTRY - CHILD TICKETS CAN BE BOOKED
TO GUARANTEE A FREE COMIC PACK

1897 SUITE AND COBBLERS LOUNGE,
SIXFIELDS STADIUM
NORTHAMPTON
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- COMIC THEMED ARTS AND CRAFTS
- BOARD GAMES, DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS,
WARCRAFT, POKEMON CARDS GAMES AREA -
BRING YOUR OWN AS WELL
- ARTISTS AND PUBLISHERS - COME AND ASK
QUESTIONS - SUPPORT LOCAL ARTISTS FROM
OUR SEND NETWORK
- COSPLAYERS WELCOME
- STALLS AND RAFFLE

SENDS 4 DAD IS A SUPPORT GROUP FOR DADS WHO
HAVE A CHILD WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS
AND OR A DISABILITY.

THIS EVENT IS FOR ALL SENDS FAMILIES



Miss Garrard says...

Are you struggling to afford essential energy costs or heat your home?

West Northamptonshire
Energy Advice Service



FREE Service Activities:

Money Advice

entitlements to benefits and grants, debt management

Home Energy Assessments

an in-home assessment to identify and remedy any problem areas to improve home warmth

Energy Efficiency Advice

ensuring energy costs are kept as low as possible and energy is used efficiently

Energy Saving Measures

small energy saving measures such as low energy light bulbs and radiator foils

Emergency Fund

to cover the cost of larger measures to improve home warmth including boiler replacements, insulation, window repairs/replacement

Contact us

01604 235709

financialhealth@communitylawservice.org.uk

Miss Garrard says...

Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact.

Check if it's head lice



Head lice are small insects, up to 3mm long.

Tips to support managing headlice,
taken from the NHS website.

[Head lice and nits - NHS
\(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Wet combing

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. You should try this method first.

You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits.

There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

- wash hair with ordinary shampoo
- apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do)
- comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends

It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair.

Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

Medicated lotions and sprays

Ask a pharmacist for advice if you have tried wet combing for 17 days, but your child still has live head lice.

They may recommend using medicated lotions and sprays. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

Head lice should die within a day. Some lotions and sprays come with a comb to remove dead lice and eggs.

Some treatments need to be repeated after a week to kill any newly hatched lice.

Check the pack to see if they're OK for you or your child and how to use them.

If lotions or sprays do not work, speak to a pharmacist about other treatments.

Some treatments are not recommended because they're unlikely to work.



Head lice eggs (nits) are brown or white (empty shells) and attached to the hair.

Mental Health Awareness Week 2024



This week is Mental Health Awareness Week and ‘Moving More For Our Mental Health’ is the theme for this year.

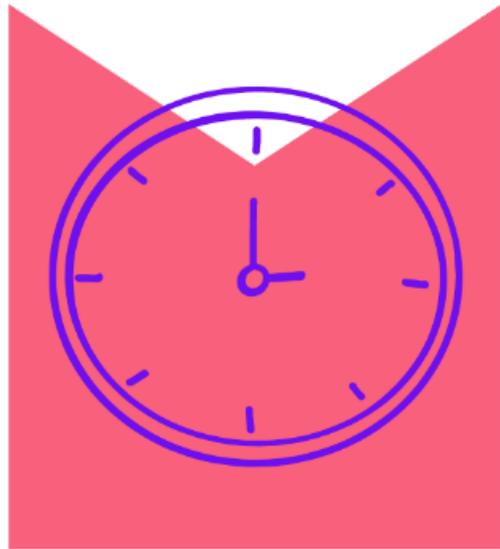
Regular physical activity is known to improve mental health, quality of life, and wellbeing.

One of the most important things we can do to help protect our mental health is regular movement.

Our bodies and our minds are connected, so looking after ourselves physically also helps us prevent problems with our mental health. Exercise releases “feel good” hormones, that reduce feelings of stress and anger. It also helps us feel better about our bodies. It can improve our sleep too. If it involves other people, like being part of a team, a class or group we see regularly, that can also boost our mental health.

For more information please visit: <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/mental-health-awareness-week/boost-your-mental-health-moving-more>

Ms Cunningham



Find moments for movement every day

Life gets busy and it can feel like we don't have time to spend on activities to improve our wellbeing. But, finding moments for movement throughout the day might be easier than you think.

How often do you find yourself 'waiting' throughout the day? Waiting for the kettle to boil; for your children to come out of school; for a bus to arrive; or for a delivery. These moments can add up. If you use the time to get moving, that will add up too. You could march on the spot, do some stretches, or try some chair exercises.

Give it a go! You'll be surprised how much time you can fill with movement.



Set small, achievable goals

When you're beginning to move more for your mental health, set yourself small goals. It might be walking to the end of your street. Then you can push yourself a little further each day.

Perhaps keep a movement journal so you can track your progress and how it makes you feel. Your goals are personal to you, and as you make progress you will create positive feelings that can boost your confidence and mood.





Take a break from sitting

Many of us are sitting for long periods during the day: working at desks, driving, sitting down to browse the internet or scroll through social media, watching our favourite television show or reading a book.

Research shows that it's unhealthy to be sitting or not moving for long. If you are sitting for large periods of time throughout the day, set a timer to take regular breaks to stand up, walk around and stretch your body.



Find the fun

However you choose to get moving, the best option is usually the one we enjoy the most.

Do you remember the joy and excitement when the school bell rang for break time? We couldn't wait to get outside to run around and play.

As we get older, we sometimes forget that movement can be fun! Instead of thinking of exercise as a chore, embrace your inner child and find the joy in movement. Fun and laughter alongside movement will increase your motivation and the psychological benefits.





Simon de Senlis Primary



Dear parents and carers, as you are aware we have recently joined a school SEND partnership with Hunsbury Park Primary. As a result of this, we are able to offer parents access to some free online workshops run by a host of SEN practitioners across the year.

This term we are pleased to offer you a Zoom online session with Mosaic Educational Psychology Service on Tuesday 21st May 2024 from 7-9pm. Details of the session content are below:

“ASD, ADHD and understanding neurodivergent masking”

This session is completely free to all parents with children at Simon de Senlis. To register your interest you must consent to share your email address with Kate Burt from Hunsbury Park Primary School. Closer to the time we will then send out a Zoom link. This link must not be shared with anyone else whose children do not attend our school as Kate Burt will collate a list of parent's email addresses and these will be checked during the meeting.

We hope that you will take up this exciting offer.

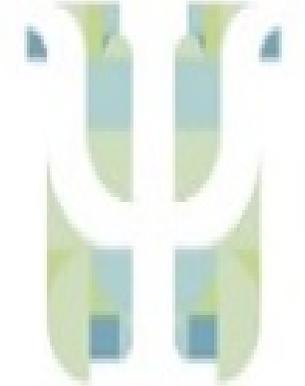
Please register your interest by replying to the email (sent to all parents on Parentmail) by Friday 17th May.

Any questions please contact me via the school.

Many thanks, Ms Cunningham

School SEND Partnership Offer
Academic Year: September 2023 – July 2024

Next online parent event:

 <p>MOSAIC PSYCHOLOGY</p>	<p>Mosaic Educational Psychology Service</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 21st May</u> <u>7-9pm</u> <u>Online via Zoom</u></p> <p>Topic: SEND Partnership: Mosaic Educational Psychology Service Time: May 21, <u>2024</u> 07:00 PM London</p>
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WELCOME TO iDISCOVER



A new community for children and young people in Northamptonshire.

Explore free and fun activities for learning, wellbeing and growth, including:

- Managing stress and anxiety
- Self-care and healthy lifestyle advice
- Staying well at school or work
- Creative wellbeing activities



Find us online at:

nhft.nhs.uk/iDiscover



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MAY HALF TERM

Tennis & Multi Sports Camp
ROADE TENNIS CLUB, NN2 7LS



Full Week - £75

Full Day (9am-4pm) - £25

Half Day (9am-12am/1pm-4pm) - £12.50

Early Drop Off (8:15am) - £2.50

Late Pick Up (Up to 5:30pm) £5

Tuesday 28th May - Friday 31st May

BOOK HERE:



<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/RoadeTennisClub/Coaching/Camp/db1882d4-edee-4349-9839-2d782ba154a2>

BASKET BALL, DODGEBALL, CAPTURE THE FLAG & MORE!

CONTACT: joshuawgolding@gmail.com / 07909094921

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Strong Start Pre-School Learners

Helping you to be a happy, healthy family

A programme of 3 1-hour weekly sessions for parents with children under 5 to promote school readiness for pre-school and school.

Each session children can take part in a craft activity, use resources and play games linked to their learning. The programme will include a variety of activity ideas to help your child develop the key skills they will need to start pre-school and school.



Starting on Friday 3rd May 11-12 at the Camrose Centre.



Scan the QR code for the latest programme dates and for more information on Eventbrite.

You can also follow us on social media platforms for updates and information.



Strong Start



MAY 28th - 31st HALF TERM

Splashtacular Fun For
All Ages

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STARTING 14TH MAY

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GROUP



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an autistic child or young
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As a local place to visit, take a look at the events taking place over the coming weeks.

[Events in Northampton](#) | [Local Events Near Me](#) | [Day Out \(delapreabbey.org\)](#)



Food Aid / Community Larders. No referral required

Day	Time	Location	Membership / costs
Monday	1:30pm – 2:15pm	Roade village Hall. Bailey Brooks Lane. NN7 2LS	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Monday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Tuesday	2pm – 3pm & 6pm - 7pm	The Nest, Woodford Halse Primary Academy, Scrivens Hill, Woodford Halse, NN11 3SU.	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Tuesday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Wednesday	11am - 1pm	Dostiyo Community Fridge. Northampton Town Centre	No Criteria
Wednesday	4:15pm – 6pm	Towcester Community Larder Riverside Centre, Islington Road, Towcester, NN12 6AU	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:15pm	Brixworth Community Larder	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w

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Day	Time	Location	Membership / costs
Wednesday	5:30pm – 6:15pm	Moulton Community Larder	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
Wednesday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Thursday	10am – 11:30am	Towcester Community Larder Riverside Centre, Islington Road, Towcester, NN12 6AU	Access to all. £10 subscription, £5 p/w
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Saturday	12pm - 2pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
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MAY 28th - 31st HALF TERM

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Calling All Kids: Get Ready to Dash for Cash!

Enter the Northampton 10k, 5k or Junior Run to support our amazing local NHS and your school at the same time.

Sponsored by:



Join us for an unforgettable event!

- A fast and flat route, suitable for all abilities
- **FREE** entry with a minimum sponsorship*
- **Distances available:** Junior (half a mile) 10k and 5k
- Money raised will support Northamptonshire Health Charity and your school!

*£50 for Junior Race, £150 for 10k and 5k Race, T&Cs apply, contact us for details.

Sunday
26th May
at Sixfields
Stadium



www.northamptonshirehealthcharity.co.uk



Registered Charity No: 1165702



If you're interested in taking part in a sponsored funrun, this could be of interest to you.

The entry to the funrun is free but there is a requirement for sponsorship.

The first £50 of sponsorship will go to Northampton Health Charity, anything above this will be split 50/50 between Northampton Health Charity and Simon de Senlis.

If you want to register for the run go to the following website: www.northamptonshirehealthcharity.co.uk

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COMMON GROUND

Rambling and our Rights of Way



Writer & Lyricist: Pappy Hollman | Director: Gitika Buttoo | Composer: Dan McGlade | Musical Director & Arranger: Rebekah Hughes | Designer: Celia Perkins

AD This production has integrated audio description

Thursday 6th June – 7pm

DEAFCONNECT

DALLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, NN5 7BZ

Tickets £12 Tel: 01484 843701 or

www.mikron.org.uk

This performance will be BSL interpreted.



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Join Mikron on a 'hill-arious' ramble through the history of land access in England.

From ze Norman Conquest to loitering in lockdown, via The Mass Trespass at Kinder Scout.

The Pendle and District Ramblers are looking forward to celebrating 'in stile' on their 50th anniversary walk, but the path has been blocked by the landowner.

How will they find their way through?

Their quest for freedom and fresh air won't be easy, as they navigate bulls, beavers, and wandering sheep.

Grab your boots and waterproof for a meander with Mikron on a hike through history.

★★★★

"It's impossible not to be charmed" The Stage

"British Theatre's hidden gem" The Telegraph

"Mighty Little Mikron" The Guardian

★★★★ The Guardian ★★★★★ The Stage ★★★★★ Yorkshire Post ★★★★★ The Reviews Hub

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NPAT Academic Calendar 24/25

Teacher Training Days
 Monday 2 September 2024
 Tuesday 3 September 2024
 Monday 4 November 2024
 Monday 24 February 2025
 Monday 2 June 2025

September 2024					
Mon		2	9	16	23
Tues		3	10	17	24
Wed		4	11	18	25
Thu		5	12	19	26
Fri	30	6	13	20	27

October 2024					
Mon	30	7	14	21	28
Tues	1	8	15	22	29
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Key

School Holidays		Teacher Training Days	
Pupil Days		Bank Holidays	



NPAT Academic Calendar 25/26

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 (disaggregated)

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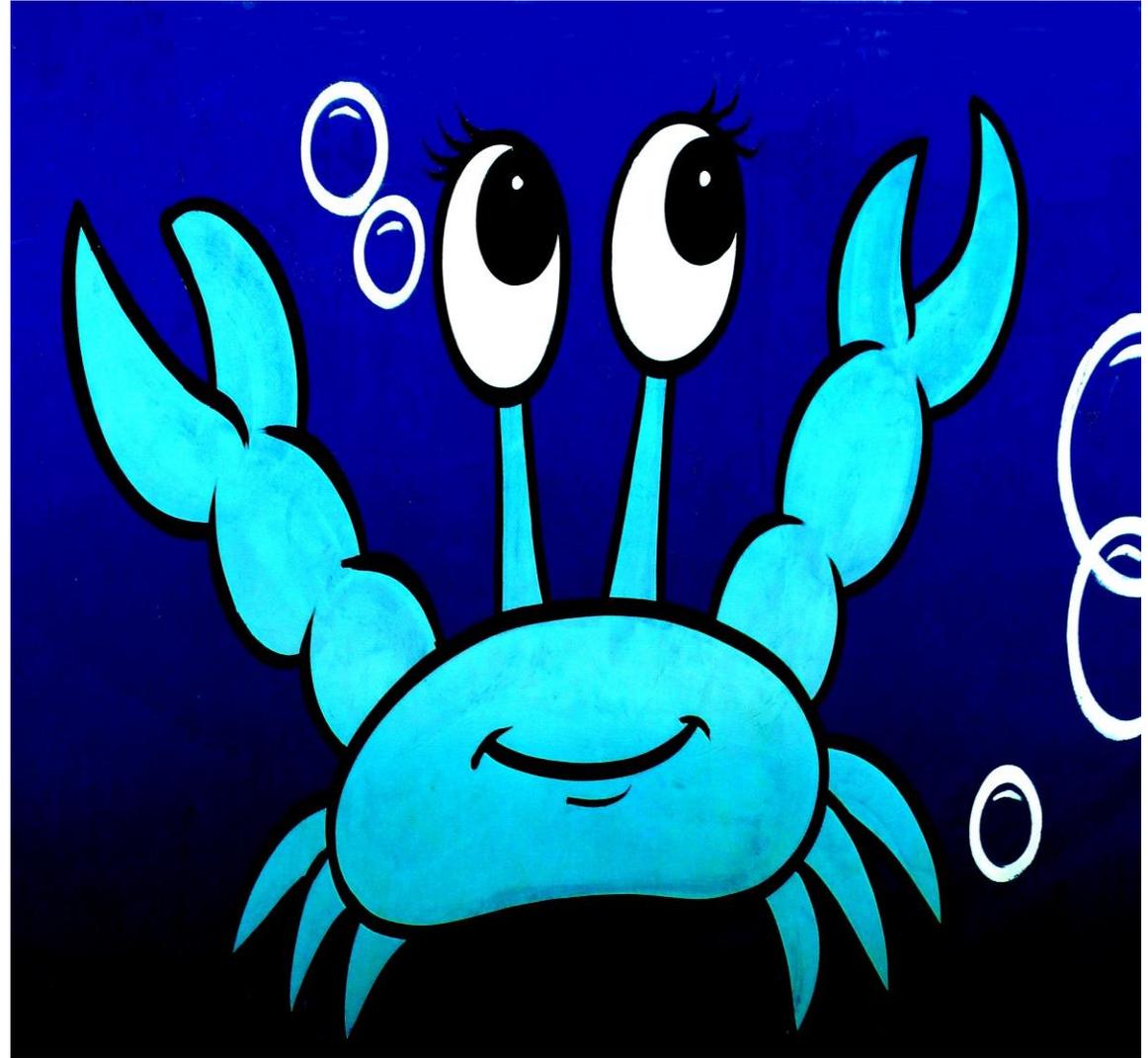
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News For Our Children

17th May 2004



Sahara Skies in Greece

Cities and towns across much of mainland Greece were recently blanketed in an orange haze, which had many people wondering what was happening! One onlooker in Athens commented that the unusual sky 'created an eerie image that made Athens look like a colony on Mars...'! The effect was created by dust that travelled from the Sahara Desert in North Africa. The desert releases up to 200 million tonnes of dust every year. The heavier dust particles quickly fall back to Earth, but the lighter dust can be blown as far as northern Europe, so



Pictured: Views of the orange sky in Greece.
Source: @zefhkyprianou on X.

instances such as this do sometimes happen. While many enjoyed the slightly spooky spectacle, those with any breathing difficulties were advised to limit exercise and wear a protective mask when outdoors. Luckily, the dust clouds have now cleared, and the beautiful blue skies of Greece have returned.

Clawesome Comedy!

Feeling a little crabby? Well, look no further! The Crab Museum in Margate recently held a contest to find the funniest crab-related jokes. And who better to judge these crabulous jokes than a crew of crabs! A panel of judges shortlisted their favourite jokes. These jokes were then written on pieces of paper and waterproofed before being lowered into the sea using string. The winning joke was then sea-lected by a crab. The quality of jokes was astounding, with the museum saying, 'We've been pinching

ourselves since submissions closed!' Some of the contenders included pearls such as 'Why did the crab cross the road? It didn't. It used the sidewalk' and 'How do barnacles get around? By taxi crab'. But first place was pinched by Leon Price with his joke, 'Man walks into a restaurant with a crab under his arm and says 'do you make crab cakes'? Manager answers 'yes, we do'. 'Good' says the man. 'because it's his birthday'.



Pictured: Crab on a beach. **Source:** Canva.

How can shops make sure everyone feels represented?



I think this is quite tricky for shops. Maybe shops should do a questionnaire to ask all the customers if they are happy with their shop. Hannah

Looking for Lego

A 13-year-old, in Cornwall, has devoted a lot of his spare time to collecting nearly 800 pieces of Lego lost from a container during a large storm in the 1990's. He has now found his most coveted piece! Liutauras Cemolonskas searched for over two years to find the super rare Lego Octopus! The Great Lego Spill of 1997, on the shores of the ancient Cornish market town of Marazion, occurred when 62 shipping containers were lost into the sea from a cargo ship due to terrible weather. One of these containers spilled a massive shipment of five million pieces of Lego into the water. Most were sea-themed, and some examples of pieces that washed away, including the sought-after Lego octopus, are pictured above. Lost in the waves were 352,000 pairs of flippers, 97,500 scuba tanks, and 92,400 swords. The Lego octopuses are the hardest to find as there were only 4,200 onboard. The group 'Lego Lost At Sea' are collating information about where the lost



Pictured: Examples of the Lego pieces from the shipment lost at sea.

Source: Lego Lost At Sea Facebook page.

pieces are when they wash up on shore. They record the locations on a map. Unbelievably, almost two days later, another Lego octopus was discovered just 10 miles further down the coast! Justin Goode, who had been taking his friend's dog for a walk when he made the discovery, said, 'Within a few steps of feet on sand I spotted the octopus, right at the end of a long seaweed strand line left by this morning's high tide.'

Do you think you would enjoy looking for Lego on this coastline?

What else do you think you might find?

Europe's Clean Electricity

Energy think tank, Ember, has announced that a record 60% of Europe's electricity was powered by clean energy sources in the first two months of this year! January and February of 2024 saw a record-breaking amount of clean electricity generation in Europe, equating to 516.5 terawatt hours - 12% more than the same period of time last year. This is said to be possible due to the fact that more electricity is coming from hydro, solar, nuclear and wind generation consistently every year. There was also a marked decrease in the amount of fossil fuel-powered electricity production, down to just 351 terawatt hours. This is the lowest it has been since 2015 and 8% less than last year. The two fastest growing sources for clean energy electricity across Europe were nuclear and hydropower. Clean

energy is described as energy that comes from resources that never run out and whose byproducts have minimal, or no, effect on the environment. Some countries, including Ireland and Portugal, were able to say that they had days or multiple days when they were using only renewable energy for two thirds of their whole population.

Have you ever seen windmills or a hydro dam harvesting energy?

What do you think about them?



Pictured: A windmill farm in the Netherlands.

Source: Canva.

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In order to make everyone feel represented we need to listen to everyone's ideas and concerns. Then work together to help everyone feel included. Layla

Let us know what you think about this week's news



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TAKEHOME

13th -
19th May



In the news this week

Cambridge University has returned four spears to the descendants of an indigenous community in Australia, who crafted them. The four aboriginal spears are all that remain of the forty or so that British explorer, James Cook, and his team took from the Gweagal people more than 250 years ago. On their arrival in Australia in 1770, they became the first known Europeans to reach the country's east coast.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your response with someone at home to the news that the spears are being returned after 250 years. Do you both feel the same?
- > What belongings are important to you? Do you have any items from grandparents or other relatives that have special value to you?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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