



## Designated Safe Guarding Lead



Joanne Fennelly.  
Headteacher.

## Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



Rachel Rosevear.  
Deputy Headteacher.



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Assistant Headteacher.



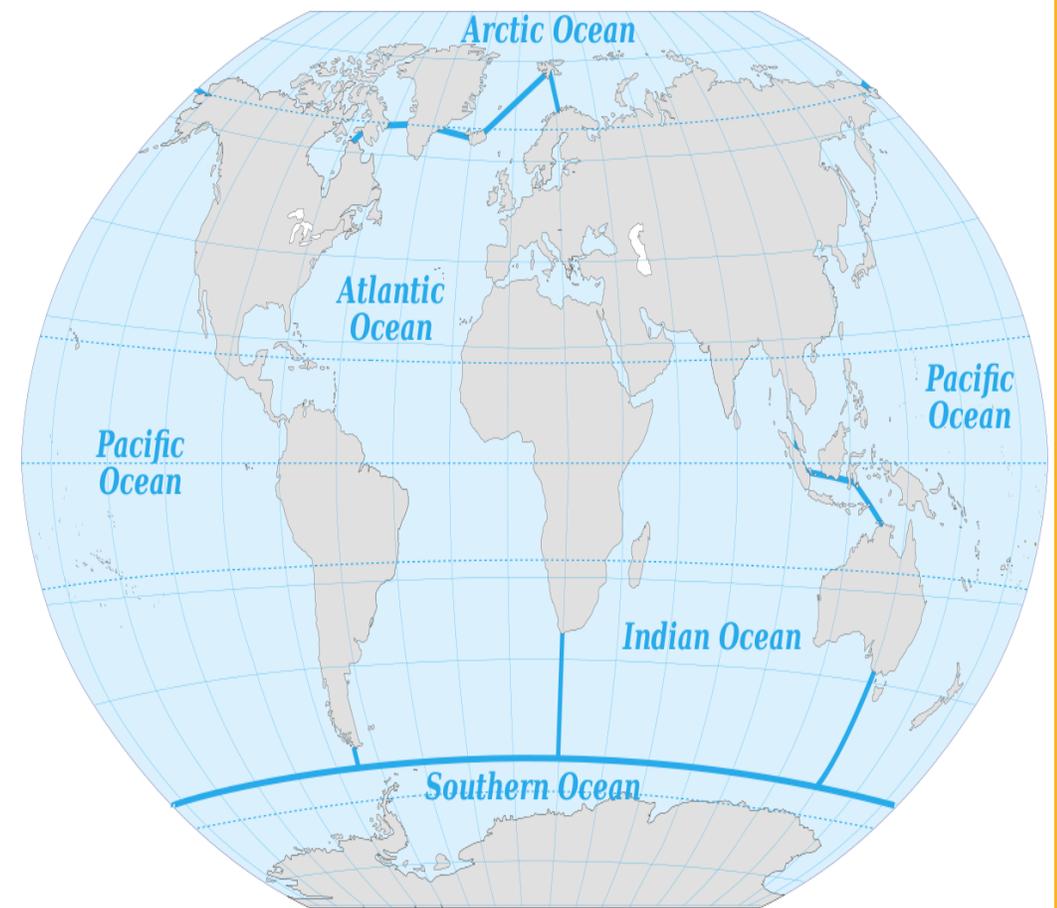
Laura Cunningham.  
Inclusion Lead.



Natalie Richards.  
EYFS Lead.

## Ten facts about Oceans:

1. Oceans cover nearly 71% of Earth's surface.
2. A sea is a small area of an ocean.
3. Ocean water is salty.
4. Oceans are deep as well as wide.
5. The ocean floor has many levels.
6. Ocean water is constantly in motion.
7. Ocean currents can be warm or cold.
8. One cubic foot of ocean water contains over 2 pounds of salt.
9. The water spins clockwise in northern oceans and counterclockwise in southern oceans.
10. In the Atlantic Ocean is a huge mountain range



**Are you looking for term time only job and one with great job satisfaction?**

**We are looking to recruit a reliable and committed Teaching Assistant to join our happy and 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 September 2024. Days of work: Monday – Friday 8.45am to 3.15pm, term time only.**

**Starting salary: Grade D, Point 3 (£22,737 FTE – pro-rata). Hourly rate £11.79 pay award pending.**

**If you are interested and would like more details or would like to apply, please email: [info@simondesenlis.org](mailto:info@simondesenlis.org)**



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to have everyone back in school this week after the half term break. Over the break, I took the time to complete some reading and research in the impact that access to devices and the internet has on young children. Research now shows that children from age 7 upwards are spending more time online, less time outdoors and less time reading and talking to family and friends. I know that all our families do the best for their child and these facts are important for us to be aware of. As parents, the following things are proven to have the biggest impact on your child's confidence, wellbeing, vocabulary development and all-round academic outcomes- playing games with your child- enabling your child to be outside- reading to your child- talking with your child- allowing your child to be creative and solve problems- limiting the time your child is on a device.

I know that being a parent is the best and hardest job there is!

I hope you have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Fennelly

SIMON DE SENLIS

# SUMMER FETE

 SATURDAY JUNE 29TH

 11:30 - 12:00 QUIET HALF HOUR

 12:00 - 2:30 OPEN TO ALL

BBQ ♦ PIMMS STALL ♦ RAFFLE ♦ BOUNCY CASTLES

CAKE SALE ♦ TOMBOLA ♦ GAMES ♦ TEA & COFFEE

VISIT FROM FIRE & POLICE

AND LOTS MORE FUN!



## Weekly Poster

**This week, we reminded everyone about SDS Has Talent. If you want to take part on your own or in a group, start practicing and the semi finals will take place in year groups. The final will take part on July 23rd.**



## **SDS Has Talent 2024 What is your talent?**

**Decide on your act, rehearse and practice.  
The semi-finals will take place in year groups on July 11th and 12th.**

**Two acts per year group will be chosen to perform in the  
FINAL on July 23rd  
GOOD LUCK!**

**You'll shine like a star!!**



A reminder: the closing date to place an order for whole class photos to be delivered to school is Friday 14th June

Any queries please call Kittle 01245 401313

# Dates for your



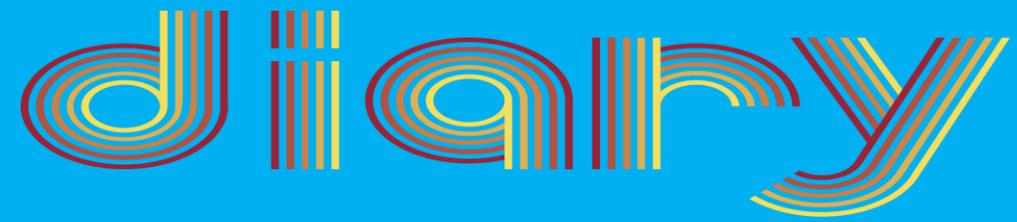
Date	Year group	Event
13th June	New Reception Parents 2024/25	Parent Intake Meeting 6:00pm to 8:00pm
17th June	KS1 (Reception, Years 1, 2 & SU)	9:30am Sports Day – families invited to the school field
21st June	Year 6	Transition Prayer Space
21st June	Whole School	Mufti day for returning your pint pots
28th June	Whole School	Key skills-Bring a cake to school to sell at the fete
29th June	Whole School & Community	School Summer Fete – Everyone 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
Year 1	14th June	Woburn Safari Park
Year 3	20th – 21st June	Frontier Centre Residential
Year 4	26th – 28th June	West Runton Residential
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	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  Please no nuts
Whole School	June 29th	Summer Fete  Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets

**Please come and check the lost  
property trolley**

**Please name all clothing, especially  
jumpers so they can be returned  
safely!**

## 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.



**What makes  
your house a  
home?**



# Joyful June 2024

MONDAY



3 Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpful way to think about it

10 Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

17 Take time to notice things that you find beautiful

24 Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

TUESDAY



4 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

11 Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

18 Look for something good in a difficult situation

25 Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

WEDNESDAY



5 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

12 Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

19 Get outside and find the joy in being active

26 Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

THURSDAY



6 Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings

13 Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

20 Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

27 Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy

FRIDAY



7 Do something healthy which makes you feel good

14 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

21 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement

28 Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people

SATURDAY

1 Decide to look for what's good every day this month

8 Find joy in music: sing, play, dance, listen or share

15 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

22 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

29 Share a friendly smile with people you see today

SUNDAY

2 Say positive things in your conversations with others

9 Ask a friend what made them happy recently

16 Speak to others in a warm and friendly way

23 Create a playlist of uplifting songs to listen to

30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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# NPAT Reading Challenge 2024 – Poetry Slam

The theme of this year's challenge is to learn a poem by heart  
*Imagine reading (or writing) a wonderful poem –then being able to take it wherever you go as you can remember every word!*

*You are never alone if you know a poem by heart!*

*Just imagine how you could use it!*

This year, we want you to read lots of poems  
(or you can write your own composition) and  
choose **one** poem to perform.



# NPAT Reading Challenge 2024 – Poetry Slam

Every child is encouraged to write or learn a poem by heart and share it in their class Poetry Slam competition during the week of **Monday 10th June**. If you would like to enter the competition, please return the entry form to your class teacher before Monday 10th June.

The winner from each class will be entered into the whole school poetry slam where 2 children will be selected as the winners (KS1 and KS2 winner). These winners will receive a £10 book voucher and will go forward into our Trust competition for the chance to win a £50 voucher for their class.

**Please try to learn your poem over half term so that you are ready to perform!**



# NPAT Reading Challenge 2024 – Poetry Slam

The school with the most entries will become the overall winner and will receive the NPAT Trophy!  
We would **love** to win!

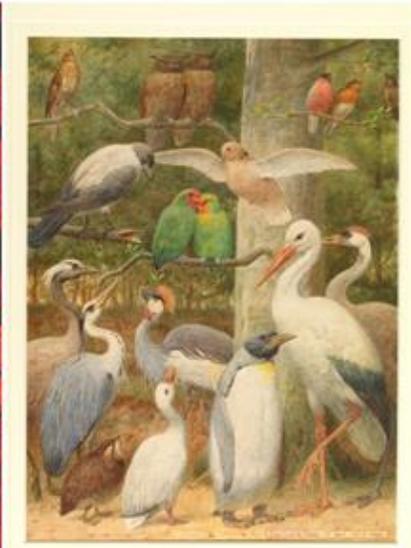
Every child who enters will receive a Poetry Slam certificate.



# Exhibitions

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June 2024



For information on the exhibitions below and more go to the Northampton Museums website

[Museums \(northamptonmuseums.com\)](http://northamptonmuseums.com)

# Exciting Exhibitions and Events This Month!

It's all change across our exhibition galleries as we enter flaming June!

It's the last chance to see the amazing - **Vivienne Westwood: A Personal Collection**, which ends Sunday 9th June. This isn't a touring exhibition so if you haven't seen it yet you have one week!

Our summer exhibition **Titanic: Honour & Glory**, opens Saturday 22nd June. This major exhibition explores the legacy of the world's most famous ship. Includes genuine artefacts from the Titanic and her sister ships and memorabilia from the 1997 James Cameron movie. Voted one of the top five exhibitions in the United Kingdom by The Times, **Titanic: Honour and Glory** is one not to miss.

## Northampton Museum and Gallery- town centre free exhibitions.

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



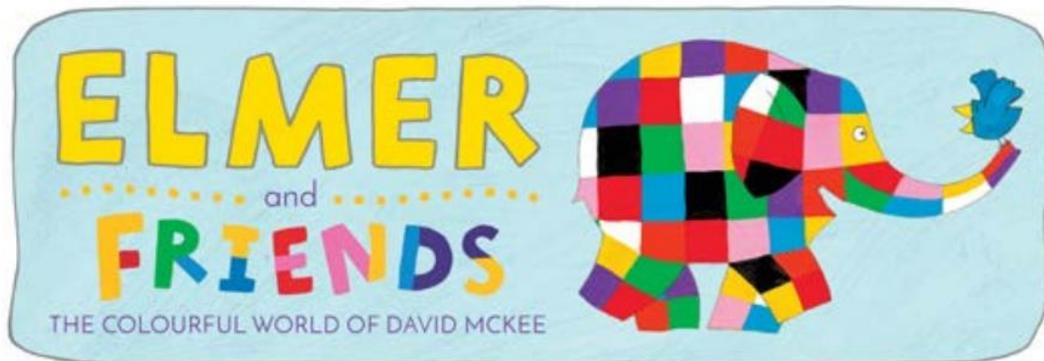
### **TITANIC: HONOUR AND GLORY**

**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.

[Northampton\\_Museum\\_Whats\\_on\\_in\\_May\\_August\\_2024.pdf](#)



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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 Whats 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?

# SPORTS - RUGBY



Good Luck Saints



- If you are a Saints Rugby fan, then you will know that on Saturday Northampton Saints will play Bath in the Gallagher Premiership Final at Twickenham Stadium. It will prove to be an exciting match and we all have our fingers crossed that the Saints will bring home the trophy.



## Interested in playing rugby?

The Saints hold many Rugby Camps where children are encouraged to build up their skills, improve leadership and develop problem solving. These camps are for all age ranges from toddlers to more experienced masterclasses.

To find out more follow this link;  
<https://www.northamptonsaints.co.uk/community/camp-finder>

## Online Safety- Age Ratings

### Check age ratings!

There is so much that we can do online nowadays including playing games, chatting with others, watching TV or sharing our videos/photographs. Being online can be great but it is important that we set boundaries for our children to keep them safe whilst they explore being online, develop their digital resilience and understanding of what to do if anything negative happens when online.



So how can we help keep our children safe? We can start by checking age restrictions/ratings. **It is important that we follow these to ensure that what our children are doing or seeing online is appropriate for their age.**

## Online Safety- Age Ratings

### Where can I find age ratings?

**Films:** The British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) rate films. This page includes a link to a 'Parents' Guide to Age Ratings':

<https://www.bbfc.co.uk/resources/viewing-films-safely-online>.

**Video games:** PEGI provides age classifications for video games. PEGI considers the age suitability of a game, not the level of difficulty. It is important to note that PEGI do not take into consideration user generated content within games (such as on Roblox) and chat facilities within games.

**Apps:** Check the individual age ratings within the relevant app store. We also recommend that you download any apps and play them yourself to check their suitability.

**Social Media:** All social media networks have a minimum age rating; they are all at least 13+.

## Online Safety- Age Ratings

[Understanding Age Ratings - Own It - BBC](#)

### What else can I do?

- Explain the importance of age ratings to your child.
- Go online together to see what your child is accessing.
- Set up parental controls on your broadband, devices and on any individual apps that your child is using. This will reduce the chances of them accessing or viewing anything unsuitable.
  - Chat to your child regularly about what they are doing online and as always, remind your child that if anything is worrying them then they should talk to you or another trusted adult.

### Further information

You can find out more here:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/understanding-age-ratings>

## School Mental Health Lead

Ms Cunningham is 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.  
We're all here to help.



**WHO SAID THAT SUMMER  
HOLIDAYS ARE BORING?**

**Danes Camp  
Leisure Centre**

**FREE YOUTH CLUB\***



**Every Tuesday**  
**5-8 years**  
**4.45pm-5.45pm**  
**9-13 years**  
**6pm-7pm**



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**Book  
8 days  
in advance**

**Danes Camp Leisure Centre, Clannell Road, NN4 0RX**

**[WWW.TRIOLOGYACTIVE.CO.UK](http://WWW.TRIOLOGYACTIVE.CO.UK)**

\*Please note these sessions are only available for children and young people residing within the East Hunsbury Parish. You will be asked to supply an eligible postcode to attend.

**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](mailto:financialhealth@communitylawservice.org.uk)



# BBFF 2024



## Bessie's Buddies Fundraising Fortnight

BBFF is a fundraising event to raise money in memory of Bessie May Philpott who lived for 2 short weeks from 6th June 2014 - 20th June 2014

This year, Bessie would have been turning 10 and to mark the anniversary her family are doing another Fundraising Fortnight from 6th June - 20th June 2024, with a fundraising event taking place every day to raise money for SSNAP (Support for the Sick Newborn And their Parents), the charity based at the John Radcliffe, Oxford that supports the neonatal unit where Bessie lived her short life.

For more information please see the Just Giving page or follow on Instagram:

[https://www.instagram.com/bbff\\_2024](https://www.instagram.com/bbff_2024)

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<https://justgiving.com/page/bbff2024>

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[Maria Philpott is fundraising for SSNAP \(justgiving.com\)](#)



Sunday 9th June 2024



# Children's Bike/Scooter ride

Foxfields Country Park, Grange Park, 2pm

Come along to Foxfields Country Park and do some laps of the park on a bike/scooter or any other means! Get sponsored for coming along or per lap (it's about 1.8km a lap).



We will have some refreshments available and some SSNAP teddies to purchase

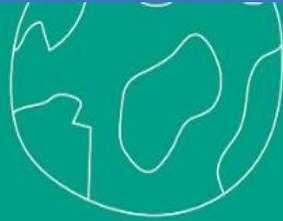
All a bit of fun and to raise money for our fundraising event, every little bit helps!

<https://justgiving.com/page/bbff2024>

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

**Next online parent event:**

 <p>MOSAIC PSYCHOLOGY</p>	<p><b>Mosaic Educational Psychology Service</b></p>	<p><u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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](https://nhft.nhs.uk/iDiscover)





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7-8.30PM  
STARTING 14TH MAY

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PARENT/CARER  
SUPPORT  
GROUP



Are you a parent/carer of  
an autistic child or young  
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# DELAPRE ABBEY

**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

# Food Aid / Community Larders. No referral required

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
Thursday	11am - 1pm	Dostiyo Community Fridge. Northampton Town Centre	No Criteria
Thursday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Friday	4pm – 7pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Saturday	12pm - 2pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items
Sunday	12pm - 2pm	McCarthy Dixon Food Larder @ Swan & Helmet. Northampton Town Centre	No referral - Turn up £5 per 8 Items

# CAMP iRock



No  
Experience  
Needed

play in a  
rock band

Become a..  
Drummer  
Guitar Player  
Keyboard Player  
Singer

## NORTHAMPTON SUMMER CAMP 2024

at Queen Eleanor Primary School

29th July - 2nd August

5th August - 9th August

8.30am - 4.30pm daily

### Day Bookings

Play in a band  
Learn 1 instrument  
Music games  
Band logo creation

### Week Bookings

Play in a band  
Learn 2 instruments  
Record an MP3  
Star in a music video  
End of week concert

Price per day

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**10am - 10.40am  
Friday 3rd June - 12th July**



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MJ**

**Contact Lesley at [lesley@musicbugs.co.uk](mailto:lesley@musicbugs.co.uk)  
Mobile: 07811 771480  
[www.musicbugs.co.uk/northampton/](http://www.musicbugs.co.uk/northampton/)**



# **Players Wanted U10 for 24/25 Season Grange Park Rangers Football Club**

**Training is on Wednesdays 6-7pm at  
Foxfield Country Park NN4 5BE  
& Woodland View PS MUGA, NN4 5FZ**

**Matches are played on Saturday mornings.  
Home Ground is Foxfield Country Park NN4 5BE**

**If you are interested contact the Coach via  
telephone: 07708 637 654 or  
email: [e.coughlan1982@live.ie](mailto:e.coughlan1982@live.ie)**

BEAVERS

# TIME FOR FUN

For 5 3/4 to 8 years old who want to have fun  
and adventures. (can currently accept up to 7  
years old only)  
Abbey Centre, Mondays 6.15 to 7.15pm

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"Beavers are always on an adventure"

"Beavers is a fun place where you can play  
games, do activities and make new friends"

"Fun filled activities every week, learning life  
skills, we also have a promise and motto that  
keep us united"

[beavers@50thnorthamptonhunsburyscouts.co.uk](mailto:beavers@50thnorthamptonhunsburyscouts.co.uk)  
Even if too young put their names down  
on our waiting list





# 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
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thu	3	10	17	24	31
Fri	4	11	18	25	

November 2024					
Mon		4	11	18	25
Tues		5	12	19	26
Wed		6	13	20	27
Thu		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29

December 2024					
Mon	2	9	16	23	30
Tues	3	10	17	24	31
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thu	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

January 2025					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tues		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

February 2025					
Mon	3	10	17	24	
Tues	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thu	6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

March 2025					
Mon		3	10	17	24 31
Tues		4	11	18	25
Wed		5	12	19	26
Thu		6	13	20	27
Fri		7	14	21	28

April 2025					
Mon		7	14	21	28
Tues	1	8	15	22	29
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thu	3	10	17	24	
Fri	4	11	18	25	

May 2025					
Mon		5	12	19	26
Tues		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thu	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30

June 2025					
Mon		2	9	16	23
Tues		3	10	17	24
Wed		4	11	18	25
Thu		5	12	19	26
Fri		6	13	20	27

July 2025					
Mon	30	7	14	21	28
Tues	1	8	15	22	29
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thu	3	10	17	24	31
Fri	4	11	18	25	

August 2025					
Mon			4	11	18 25
Tues			5	12	19 26
Wed			6	13	20 27
Thu			7	14	21 28
Fri		1	8	15	22 29



Key

School Holidays		Teacher Training Days	
Pupil Days		Bank Holidays	



# NPAT Academic Calendar 25/26

## Teacher Training Days

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025  
 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025  
 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025  
 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026\*  
 (disaggregated)

September 2025					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

October 2025					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

November 2025					
Mon	3	10	17	24	
Tue	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thu	6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

December 2025					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	31
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

January 2026					
Mon		5	12	19	26
Tue		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thu	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30

February 2026					
Mon	2	9	16	23	
Tue	3	10	17	24	
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thu	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

March 2026					
Mon	2	9	16	23	30
Tue	3	10	17	24	31
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thu	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

April 2026					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	

May 2026					
Mon		4	11	18	25
Tue		5	12	19	26
Wed		6	13	20	27
Thu		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29

June 2026					
Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thu	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

July 2026					
Mon		6	13	20	27
Tue		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thu	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

August 2026					
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# News For Our Children

7th June 2004





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**Can remembering difficult times  
help shape a better future?**

## Surprise School Singer!

Children at the Fairlight Primary and Nursery School were flabbergasted when, who should enter their Friday assembly, but Ed Sheeran! The superstar singer performed three of his hit songs and then spoke to the children about his life in the music industry and the importance of learning about music. The visit was organised by Create Music,



**Pictured:** Ed performing at the Brighton primary School. **Source:** @createmusicUK on X.

a project which aims to provide arts and music education for all children. The headteacher explained that none of the children had known about the visit, and 'their faces were amazing when we opened the door.' He also added that Ed 'was absolutely brilliant, an amazing person and very humble.' As a parting gift, the popstar left the school five of his own guitars!



**Pictured:** Assembly excitement!  
**Source:** @createmusicUK on X.

## A Pitter-Patter of Poo!

As the sun goes down in a little town near Grantham, in the Midlands, huge clouds of starlings swirl in the sky. Starlings are a type of small bird with long, sharp beaks and small, pointed wings. At this time of year, they gather in large groups known as 'murmurations'. They are a sight to behold as the tens of thousands of birds twist and turn in the air, creating amazing shapes and patterns. However, the locals are getting a little fed up with the birds, as their droppings are causing quite a mess! One resident explained that he was caught

short and bird poo landed on his head! He added, 'It was fun to start with, it was great to watch. But it's just the mess it makes.' Others are taking measures including washing windows every day, covering cars and furniture with plastic and remembering an umbrella!



**Pictured:** Starling murmuration. **Source:** Canva.

### Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions?



*No, you have no idea about someone until you get to know them. People are always surprising me! Logan*

## Rhino Rewild

Forty rare southern white rhinos have moved to their new home at the Mnywana Conservancy in Zululand, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. They are the first of 2,000 privately owned white rhinos to be relocated under African Parks' massive 'Rhino Rewild' programme. African Parks is a non-profit conservation organisation that manages twenty-two national parks across twelve countries. It purchased the rhinos last year with the aim to 'rescue and rewild' them over the next ten years. Thokozani Mlambo, Chairperson of the Makhasa Trust (part of the Mnywana Conservancy) said, 'We are extremely pleased to receive



**Pictured:** The transportation of forty rhinos to the Conservancy. **Source:** African Parks on Facebook.



**Pictured:** A rhino being released. **Source:** African Parks on Facebook.

these forty rhino from African Parks, to supplement the current population of white rhino at our community conservancy. We see this as recognition of the important role that community-owned land plays in conservation, and we are proud to be collaborating in such a significant partnership to rewild rhino across our continent.' Southern white rhinos were thought to be extinct, until less than a hundred were discovered in South Africa in 1895!

**Do you know any white rhino facts? Have you heard about any other rewilding projects in Africa or other parts of the world?**

## Rethinking Recycling

Recycling Minister, Robbie Moore, has announced that a new, easier approach to recycling will be introduced in England. The new rules, brought in by the government, mean that households will be able to put all their recycling together for one collection. Ministers hope that this simpler idea will help boost recycling levels across the country. Recycling collectors will accept plastic, metal, glass, paper and card in one bin. English councils will also be able to take food and garden waste at the same time. Robbie Moore said, 'We all want to do our bit to increase recycling and reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill – but a patchwork of different bin collections across England means it can be hard to know what your council will accept. Our plans for Simpler Recycling will end that confusion: ensuring that the same set of



**Pictured:** People with all their recycling in one container. **Source:** Canva.

materials will be collected regardless where you live.'

**Do you think that more recycling will be done if it is simpler and easier?**

**Can you think of any ideas to increase the waste we recycle, rather than send to landfill?**

### Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions?



*I don't think it's fair to judge others by their first impressions because these girls won all of their matches and the boys were underestimating them. Ada*

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Can remembering  
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## In the news this week

6th June is the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Normandy, the day in 1944 when Allied forces from thirteen different countries stormed five beaches in Normandy, France. This marked the beginning of the end of World War II. A World War II veteran, Henry Rice, who is 98 and from Surrey, has called for schools to teach children more about D-Day 1944. He believes that by learning about the history of it, they could urge politicians to avoid wars.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you ask someone at home about their awareness of the World Wars? Do they have, or do they know anyone with, memories of the wars?
- > This week's poster image shows a tribute to all the soldiers, who lost their lives on D-Day in France. Do you know if there are any local events or tributes to D-Day being held in your local area?

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