

Parent Newsletter



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[Sporting super stars from Spring term2!](#)

We have had another exceptionally busy term with many sporting superstars! Some of our KS 2 girls visited NSG for a girls basketball day, we were one of two schools who attended, along with Kingsley Primary. The girls had the opportunity to practice their dribbling and shooting skills,

and even had the chance to win some prizes! We have had more trips to Benham to take part in an exciting range of sporting events, as well as a cricket day in school! We can't wait for even more sporting events which will take place in the summer term!







Our community impact this term!

We have had another really busy term where we have been looking for opportunities to positively impact our community both at schools and around wider Parklands community. From our play leaders, who have entered the British Gas positive energy grant, to our global guardians who has been looking for ways to save water, as well as our little legends who completed a litter pick at the local care home, and of course our reading ambassadors have once again been busy reading to local residents! We are so proud of all of wonderful children who have given their time, energy and creative ideas to make a difference!





Shakespeare performance



We were so incredibly proud of all of our amazing Year 5 children who put on a show stopping performance at the Derngate on Monday evening. They performed on the main stage of Derngate, bringing Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to life with the support of the fantastic Silhouette Youth Theatre company. Once again, we were treated to an evening showcasing what talented, creative and energetic children we have. The stage was transformed

into an enchanting forest, where characters sang, danced and spoke in Shakespeare's lyrical language. Their enthusiasm for performing this Shakespeare play was a joy to watch, bringing this centuries-old comedy to the main stage, with our children showcasing their talent and passion for the timeless play. A huge thank you to our amazing year 5 staff teams, who have worked incredibly hard and given their time to make this incredible performance possible.

Reading Cafe update



Next term, we're excited to be launching inter-class reading opportunities where our children mix across school to enjoy reading with their peers. For us to be able to launch this, we will be offering the below dates for reading cafes for you to enjoy reading in your child's classroom and the other Fridays will be usual 3:15pm finishes. Thank you for your continued support in our reading!

Friday 25th April - KS2 reading cafe with parents

Friday 2nd May - KS1 reading cafe with parents

Families in partnership



Our next upcoming families in partnership meeting is Wednesday 23rd April at 7pm, here at school, we would love for any parents to join us! It is a chance to hear from our Trust as our CEO, Mr Watson attends, as well as updates on what is going on at school and future plans! We would love to see you there!

Community Information

27TH NORTHAMPTON SCOUT GROUP

BEAVERS **Squirrels**

WE NEED YOU!

"VOLUNTEER BECAUSE IT GIVES ME A CHANCE TO HELP KIDS REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL & LEARN NEW SKILLS"

"MAKE NEW FRIENDS AMAZING SCOUTING COMMUNITY!"

TO CONTINUE GROWING OUR AMAZING SCOUT GROUP WE NEED ADULT VOLUNTEERS

TRAINING & SUPPORT GIVEN

FANCY AN EXCITING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

TAKE UP A 4 WEEK CHALLENGE! COME ALONG SEE WHAT WE DO, HELP OUT, GET MORE INVOLVED & THEN DECIDE IF ITS FOR YOU!

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27th Northampton (Parklands and St Albans) Scout Group

**Monday Sections meet at Parklands Community
Centre, Devon Way, Northampton, NN3 6DX**

**Tuesday Sections meet at St Albans Church,
Broadmead Ave, Northampton, NN3 2RA**

Squirrels

Boys and Girls aged 4 – 6 years
Monday (5.15pm – 6:10pm)

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Boys and Girls aged 6 – 8 years
Monday (6.15pm – 7:30pm)
Tuesday (5:45pm – 7pm)

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Boys and Girls 8 - 10 ½ years
Monday (6pm – 7:30pm)
Tuesday (7pm – 8:15pm)

SCOUTS

Boys and Girls 10 ½ - 14 years
Monday (7.30pm – 9pm)

For further information and to join our group, please contact:
Chris (GSL) via email chris.bayley@27thnorthamptonscouts.org.uk

For more information about the Scout Association visit
www.scouts.org.uk

Please see attached information from the lead volunteer for 27th Northampton Scout Group covering St Albans, Boothville and Parklands. The group currently runs 6 sections for children aged from 4 years to 14 1/2 across two weekday evenings.

We currently have spaces available for new members and are keen to recruit more volunteers across all our age ranges. Over the last couple of years our excursions have included camps at our district site in Overstone and further afield including Brownsea Island. All our activities are fully inclusive and accessible and we actively work with parents and carers to adapt activities for the individuals need.

Why is this important? Scouting offers young people and adults numerous benefits, including fostering character development, leadership skills, and a sense of community through outdoor adventures and skill-building activities. It also offers vulnerable young people to forge positive relationships with community role models. Unless we continue to recruit new volunteers we will be unable to continue with these opportunities which would be such a shame as they provide such valuable experiences and life long memories for children. If you are not already involved, please do get in touch for more information!

Fundraising

Please see the below link for a young person in the Northampton community who is currently under going treatment for cancer. Many people from the Parklands community have been supporting this family, any donation would be hugely appreciated.

[Donna Brinklow is fundraising for Teenage Cancer Trust](#)

Key dates



Summer term 1

Tuesday 22nd April - children return to school

Wednesday 23rd April - Families in Partnership meeting - 7pm

Thursday 8th May – VE Day - More information to follow

WC -12th May - Year 6 SATS week

Thursday 22nd May - Summer disco

Friday 23rd May - Last day of term

Summer term 2

Monday 2nd June - First day back for Summer term

Monday 2nd June - Year 6 residential

Friday 13th June – 8:20am Father's Day Breakfast

KS1 sports day morning – 2nd July/Backup: 9th July

KS2 sport day morning – 4rd July/Backup 10th July

Monday 14th July – Year 6 Trust Olympics

Thursday 17th July – Year 6 Prom

Friday 18th July – Leaver's assembly 2pm

Tuesday 22nd July - Last day