



## NEWSLETTER – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### **20 Million Steps x 2**

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, the whole school went for a walk as part of the 20 Million Steps campaign. 20 Million steps is a mass participation walking event organised by Northamptonshire County Council as part of their 2020 project which aims to get the whole county more fit and active. After a fantastic effort the whole school walked total of 1,134,206 steps! A massive total – well done to everyone!

### **Young Leaders Training**

On Thursday 22 September 28 children from Year 5 took part in Young Leaders training led by Alex Bennett from Kingsthorpe Community College. In the morning the Young Leaders focussed on the theory of leading sporting activities for younger children. The afternoon was more practical and the Young Leaders put their new skills into practice by planning and leading activities for children from Mr Reid's Year 1 class. The newly trained Young Leaders will now lead activities for the children in Year R, 1 and 2 at lunchtimes as well as having the opportunity to get involved in other leadership opportunities throughout the year.

### **Secondary School Applications for September 2017**

Please note that it is now time to apply for a secondary school place for your child in Year 6. The application form is available on the council website at:

[www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions)

**The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 at 5pm**

### **Applying for a primary school place for September 2017**

If your child has their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 you need to apply for a school place for September 2017. The application form for completion is available on the council website

at: [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions)

(right click and open hyperlink)

**The closing date for applications is Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 5pm.**

**Failure to apply on time for school places will affect your chances of obtaining a place for your child at your preferred school.**

### **Before School Extra-Curricular Activities**

#### **AVOID THE MORNING TRAFFIC JAM!**

Our pre-school clubs which are run by Pacesetters and part funded by school, are now up and running with some places still available.

Monday - Athletics

Tuesday - Cheerleading

Wednesday - Tennis

Thursday – Multi skills

Friday – Dodgeball

These sessions run from 8 to 8.45am at a cost of £2.10 per session.

To book a place on any of the courses, go to [www.pacesettersports.co.uk/bookings](http://www.pacesettersports.co.uk/bookings) . You need to register your child, select a course and checkout.

*“A school family learning and growing together with Jesus Christ”*

### **McMillian Coffee Morning**

What a wonderful, well thought out and moving Worship led by Year 6. There was a delicious array of cake, cookies and scones all washed down with a hot drink. This is a very worthwhile charity event to raise money to fight this disease which has touched everyone's life in one way or another. We hope to have a grand total of money raised very soon. Thank you to all those who attended to support us.

### **Dates for the Year**

To help you plan your year we have put together dates for the diary to July 2017. However please note this does not include all class-lead worships, school trips and all sporting events but we will update you regularly via Parentmail and newsletters.

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### **School Status**

As part of the responsibilities of the Governing Body, we are expected by the Department of Education and Local Authority to review the school status every few years. Previously this review led us to staying as a local authority school, but with the national academisation agenda we are expected to consider all options regularly before deciding what best suits the current and future needs of our school.

As part of this review we would welcome your thoughts or any questions you would like us to consider during this process.

Please send any comments into the School Office. Thank you.