

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

It's that time again! Sainsbury's are giving out Active Kids vouchers along with your food shop. We are collecting these. There is a collection box in the main office area. Can you please also ask other members of your family and friends. Over the last couple of years, we have received free sports and cookery equipment for use in school. Thank you in advance.

Year 6 – SATs Week

The SATS week for our Year 6 children is commencing Monday 8th May. All children should be working through their revision books, and it is advisable to avoid absences where possible during in the build-up to this week.

Calling all Grandparents - National Insurance Credits

There is news of possible national insurance credits worth more than £230 per year that grandparents could be missing out on. The Former Pensions Minister, Sir Steve Webb, has said that tens of thousands of grandparents are missing out on National Insurance (NI) credits, which could be worth more than £230 a year when they retire.

Mothers who give up work are given NI credits while their children are under 12. Under the Specified Adult Childcare credits scheme introduced in 2011, if they return to work the credits can instead be claimed by relatives of working age who care for the child in question – in most cases, this will be grandparents.

A grandparent or other relative who takes part in the scheme for a full year is able to claim an extra 1/35th of the state pension – worth £231 a year.

It has been suggested that, in the year to the end of September 2016, only 1,300 people claimed the credits. However, Sir Webb, who is now Director of Policy at Royal London,

believes that as many as 100,000 relatives could be entitled to claim them, and wants the government to do more to raise awareness of their availability.

Those who have missed out on the scheme can make backdated claims for all the years to 2011.

Information and an application form can be found on the HM Revenue and Customs website under **Application for Specified Adult Childcare Credits** – well worth a look!

Dates for the Diary

February

- Wed 8th** Trip to Salcey Forest – Reception Classes
- Fri 10th** E-Safety Workshop for Parents – after Family Worship
Term Ends – 3.15pm
- Mon 20th** Term Starts
- Wed 22nd** Photographer in School – Classes and Groups
- Mon 27th** Trip to Warwick Castle – Year 1

March

- Wed 1st** Ash Wednesday
(beginning of Lent)
- Thurs 2nd** Eucharist
- Fri 3rd** Class Worship – 6 St Catherine
World Book Day
- Wed 8th** Healthy Snacking Day – K.S. 2
- Fri 10th** Final Payment due – Kingswood – Year 6 Residential
- Tues 14th** Parents Evening
- Fri 17th** Class Worship – 2 St Helena
- Wed 22nd** Parents Evening
- Thurs 23rd** Mothers' Day Worship & Open Morning – Class Reception St Francis
- Fri 24th** Red Nose Day
- Fri 31st** Easter Service – 2.15pm
Term Ends – 3.15 pm

April

- Wed 19th** School Opens – New Term

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Brownies

Is your daughter aged 7-10?

Would she like to join the biggest girl's only club?

Then come along to 88th Northampton Brownies on Tuesday nights at All Saints Primary School

This term we are holding a Big Brownie Bake Off, going to Pets at Home for an evening of animal fun, going bowling, as well as working towards many badges.

There's even a sleepover in Twycross Zoo in July-join now to be a part of it!

For more information email

88northamptonbrownies@gmail.com pop along 6.30-8pm every Tuesday (Term time) to see what it's all about or look on the Girlguiding UK website to see all the amazing opportunities that are available for members.

READING AT HOME

Dear Parents

Please find below some questions that may help you when reading with your child at home. I suggest that each time you choose one or two questions from the sheet below to see how well they have understood what they have read.

As ever if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me in school.

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Mr D. Ribbins

Deputy Head Teacher

Remembering

When and where did the story take place?
Who are the main characters?
What does the main character look like?
How does the book begin?
Where in the book would you find...?

Understanding

What is the book about?
From whose point of view is the story told?
What is happening?
What might this mean?
Which part do you like best? Why?

Applying

Can you think of another story with a similar theme?
Can you think of another story character similar to a character in this book?
Have you had any similar experiences?
Which stories have openings like this?
Can you think of another author who writes in a similar style?

Analysis

How has the author used description to show how this character is feeling?
How does the layout help...?
Can you explain why...?
Why did the author choose these words?
What evidence can you use to support your view?

Evaluating

Which text/story is better? Why?
Which parts of the text could be improved?
Which text is more persuasive? Why?
Did it have an effective ending?
Who would you recommend this to?

Creating

Using the evidence in the text, what do you think about...?
If you were the main character, how would you have reacted to this?
What would this character think?
Are there any other reasons why this might have happened?
Have the views in this text affected your opinion? Why? How?