

Ettington Church of England Primary School

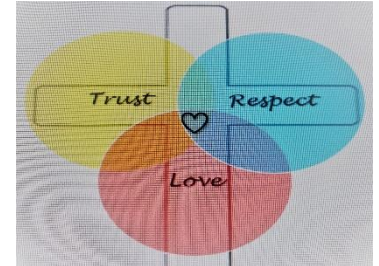
Newsletter 3 Summer Term 2024

21<sup>st</sup> June 2024

*Learning for the Fullness of Life (John 10:10)*

Our Christian Value for this half term is **COURAGE**.

**Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.’ Joshua 1:9**



Dear parents, carers and the wider community,

The sun has continued to shine and what a difference it makes to everyone. As we move quickly towards the end of term, can I ask that you pay particular attention to the Summer 2 dates for your diary – there is an awful lot going on in and around school during the final few weeks of term.

### Stars of the Week

Week ending 7.6.2024	Week ending 14.6.2024
Reception:	Reception: Louie T
Year 1: Jimmy B	Year 1: Theo H
Year 2: Ernie M	Year 2: Sophie L
Year 3: Jasper H	Year 3: Ivor H
Year 4: Luca F	Year 4: Ethne D
Year 5:	Year 5: Alena J
Year 6: Oscar W	Year 6: Oscar C
Star writer:	Star writer: Theo C

Congratulations to our stars!

### Congratulations

We are delighted to announce that eight of our Year 4 children have been chosen to have their writing published by Young Writers in this year’s book – ‘Once upon a Dream; Timeless Whispers’. Children were invited to enter the Once upon a Dream writing competition and all of our entries have been chosen for publication. This is a fantastic achievement and we are all so proud. Well done to Luca, Teddy, Albert, Oscar, Jake, Arjun, Mason and Alfie we look forward to seeing your writing in print!

### Sport



Congratulations to the Year 6 Boys Football match v Hampton Lucy - 5-2 WIN. Well done to Theo C (X3), Louis T and Bailey our goal scorers on the day.

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## **School news**

We hope that you all enjoyed the Sports Day events today – congratulations to all of the children. A special well done to the Green House Team on their win. It was lovely to see so many of you and I thank you for helping to ensure that events went without a hitch. Thank you also to those of you who stayed and enjoyed a picnic lunch with us, to FoES for their continuous support, to the teachers for all their help and especially Mr Higgitt who coordinated the day so that it went seamlessly.

This half term, several of the classes have enhanced their learning through trips -

Reception are incredibly excited about their impending visit from Zoolab as part of their learning about Amazing Animals – I'm very much looking forward to sneaking into their class for this experience.

Year 3 have visited The Lord Leycester Hospital in Warwick as part of their learning about The Tudors, where the children found out about Robert Dudley who founded the hospital and was friends with Queen Elizabeth 1<sup>st</sup>. They also enjoyed exploring the gardens and made historical timelines.

A thank you and very well done to our Year 6 children who completed their residential at Culmington Manor this half term. Demonstrating team work and resilience the class participated in a range of activities including axe throwing, abseiling, rifles, zip line, navigating an underground maze, blind trail, wall climbing and their favourite activity aero ball. The children were exceptional in their behaviour and I was thrilled to hear how their Core Christian Values – Trust, Love and Respect shone through and were noticed and commented on by both our own staff and by the staff on site. A huge thank you to Mr Higgitt for organising and leading the three days and to Mrs Cook and Mrs Adamson for giving up their time also to ensure the safety and well-being of all the children whilst they were away from home.

## **Open afternoon**

We would like to invite you into school on the afternoon of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June between 2pm and 3pm for our termly open afternoon, where you will have the opportunity to sit with your child, look through their books and talk about their learning. The children are very excited to share and we look forward to seeing you.

## **The children asked... we listened**

Thank you to the Year 2 who, in conjunction with some of the School Council members completed a tour of the inside and the outside of the school and suggested what they liked and what they think needs improving around the school environment. Below are their findings and photos of the features discussed:



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**Likes:**

- The displays in the classroom and school, they help us with our learning.
- Our class book shelves
- Phonics mats, posters and Common Exception Words on display are very useful
- House points and reward charts help us to try our best.
- Displays in school about environments (Plastic Pollution) remind us about looking after the environment
- Trim trail is great
- We have a nice big field

**What could be improved:**

- Playground markings need re-painting
- Outdoor equipment needs a better way of storing
- Some litter on playground. More bins would help and we could have litter pickers and posters reminding people about litter
- Could we have an outdoor library, maybe in the hut/outdoor classroom?
- Some fences are broken

With support from FoES and your help with fundraising, we are delighted that, if not already completed, many of the children's suggestions for improvement are planned –

Through the purchase of wellie racks, we have been able to allow the children on the field throughout the year

Outdoor play and sporting equipment storage has been ordered

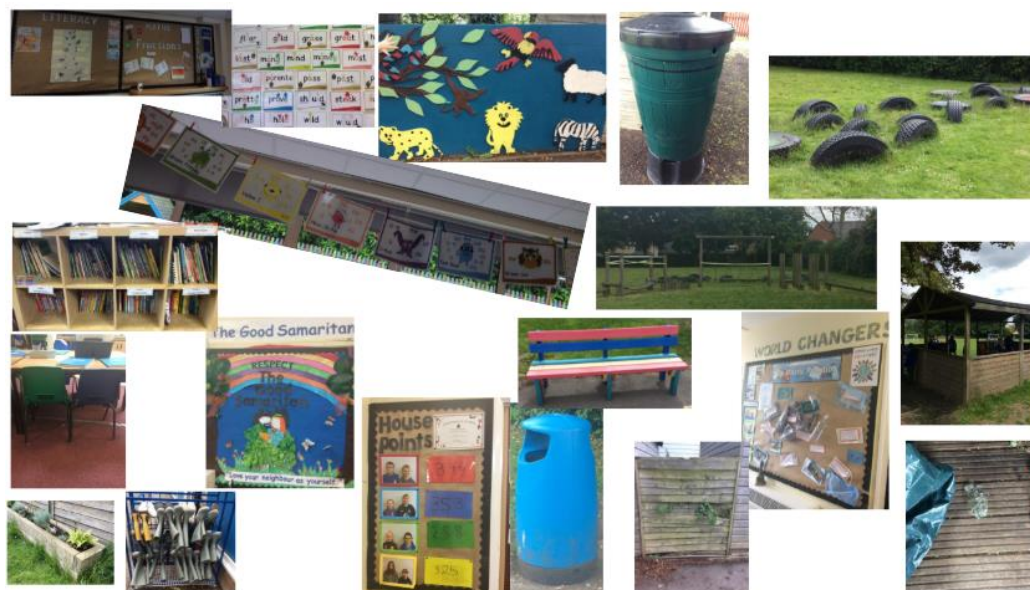
The outdoor classroom will be restored to become a reading / well-being area for children to access during play times.

More litter bins have been ordered

New fencing is being erected during the Summer holidays.



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Photos by Year 2

**Children... your voice matters!**

### **Friends of Ettington School (FoES) News**

FoES Race Night at Ettington Community Centre on Friday 28th June.

Please support FoES Race Night on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. This event has been organised in great detail and plans to be a really exciting and fun evening for all; whilst raising much needed funds for school enrichment. Bring your family and friends and support the school and the fundraising team.

Plans are coming together to hold a colour run towards the end of the summer term. This will be a sponsored event to help raise some much-needed funds for school.

So far this term, your continued support of FoES has enabled school to purchase much needed books to supplement our phonics scheme and all of the resources for our Art enrichment. FoES have also subsidised the Year 6 leavers hoodies and given each class £150.00 towards trips. Thank you!



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**FRIENDS OF ETTINGTON SCHOOL PRESENT**

# A NIGHT AT THE RACES

**FRIDAY 28TH JUNE**

Ettington Community Centre,  
Doors open 7.00pm (first race 7.30pm,  
food served at 8.00pm)

Licensed bar. This is an 18+ only event.

Early Bird tickets with food - £12.00  
Early Bird tickets without food - £3.50

\*After Friday 24th May:  
Tickets with food - £14.50  
Tickets without food - £6.00

Tickets available online (subject to small booking fee) and at Ettington Village Store

Registered charity number 1116040

All proceeds raised go to FoES and will be used for the direct benefit of the children.

scan to visit event page and buy tickets

**Work and Health Programme Pioneer providers employment support to  
Warwickshire residents**

The [WHP Pioneer](#) offers you free, personalised support, training and upskilling to help you succeed. WHP Pioneer's dedicated Employment Specialist's provide support for up to 15 months with preparing for work, CV writing, mock interviews, connecting with employers, applying for jobs and more, all whilst prioritising your wellbeing. Eligibility criteria applies, view the [WHP Pioneer website](#) for more information. [Complete the enquiry form](#) for further information and to speak to a member of the team.



**Rainbow Run**

FoES are also delighted to announce one of their biggest fundraisers of the year. School will be holding a Rainbow Run on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. FoES will be providing more information next week.

If you wish to sign up to the Family Information Service Newsletter please access via this link



- <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/familyinfoservice>

**Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service colour run**

Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service is holding a colour run event in July and want to invite as many people as possible to come along and take part.

As an important part of our local communities, we'd appreciate your support by including the below article and poster in your schools and newsletters.



Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service is hosting a colour run and everyone is welcome to take part.

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Taking place on 20 July at Rugby Free School, you can run, walk, jog or skip the mile-long route.

It hopes to be a great day with something for everyone including refreshments and craft stalls.

- Date - Saturday 20 July
- Location - Rugby Free School
- Time - begins at 11am
- Entry free – adults £5 & children £3.50

If you're interested and want to find out more,  
email [wfrtrainingservice@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:wfrtrainingservice@warwickshire.gov.uk)



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# COME JOIN THE FUN! **COLOUR RUN**

**Saturday  
20th July  
Rugby Free  
School**

*Run, jog, skip or walk our 1 mile course.*

*The fun starts at 11am.  
Entrants costs - adults £5 & children £3.50.*

*Fun for all the family including refreshments and craft stalls.*



To register for your place contact:  
[wfrtrainingservices@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:wfrtrainingservices@warwickshire.gov.uk)



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## Foodbank donations

Thank you to the many families who continue to donate to local food banks. There is a weekly trip to Shipston Food Bank via the Church. Items can be left at the Church for distribution.

## Safeguarding

Please remember...



**CHILD ABUSE HAPPENS IN WARWICKSHIRE**



**NOTICE THINGS!**

**Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility**

If you have concerns that a child is suffering any form of abuse, neglect or cruelty contact the Warwickshire Children and Families Front Door immediately by calling **01926 414144**

Lines are open Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 5.30pm,  
Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm

If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the Emergency Duty Team immediately by calling **01926 886922**

If you think that a child is at immediate risk, contact the Police immediately by calling **999**



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## Online Safety



## Attendance



## Parking

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who continue to park safely around our school. Can I please remind you, not to drive down and park in Churchill Close wherever possible? Can I also ask that you park with courtesy on the Banbury Road, it is imperative that driveways are not blocked or that visibility from driveways are not obscured? This is unsafe for both drivers and for people walking on the footpath.

**Please also ensure that you do not park on the corners of the road, this is not only dangerous, but illegal.**

**Parking is available at the Community Centre.**



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**And finally...**

This final half term of the year is always a busy time, both in and out of school. It is also a time where we naturally can begin to look forward and wonder about what next year may be like and who your child's teacher will be. As part of their transition, children will be spending time with their new class teachers and support staff on the morning of Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. I will write to you separately with full information next week.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend in the sun.

Best wishes,

Mrs Michelle Crowe

Head Teacher



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## Dates for your calendar and diary

Summer Term 2	Summer Term 2
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.30am</b> Sports Day	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b> Full Governors Meeting
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b> CORAM Mental Health Workshops	<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b> Last day of term
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b> Whole school Musical Ensemble	<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b> Summer Holidays
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June (date change)</b> Year 6 Retreat Day (in school) Year 6 Rounders Match	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b> Teacher Training Days (school closed to pupils)
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b> Curriculum Open Afternoon <b>2pm-3pm</b> FoES Race Night	<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b> Welcome back Years 1-6
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b> Whole School Transition Day Year 6 Transition Day	<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b> New Reception 2024 start
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b> KS2 Athletics Tournament	
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am</b> Year 6 Leavers Service Whole school Church Service All welcome	
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b> <b>10.00am – 11.00am</b> New Reception 'Stay and Play' invitations sent	
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b> FoES Rainbow Run	



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