



Aston and Cote Church of England Primary School

"Learning together through courage, love and respect"

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Newsletter 6 - Spring Term

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Dear parents and carers

It's hard to believe that we've already been back at school for a whole month. It has been lovely to see the children enjoying their new topics and immersing themselves in new guided reading texts.

Our sporting year got off to a good start at the Year 5 & 6 swimming gala - although we weren't one of the top schools, we definitely had some strong individual performances and as always, our team displayed great sportsmanship so we are very proud of all of them.

Mr Hook has been busy training our girls' and boys' football teams in preparation for the upcoming league matches as well practising for the indoor athletics competition which will take place next week. We wish all these teams good luck and know that they will do their very best.

The children in KS2 enjoyed taking part in a Japanese cooking session - we are very grateful to The School Lunch Company who organised this amazing opportunity for us - the delicious smells emanating from the school hall made us feel ravenously hungry all day!

Kind regards

Fiona Taylor

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Please be aware that occasionally dates have to be changed, so check newsletters regularly for any amendments.

- 3/4th Feb Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 1)
- 3rd Feb Yr 5/6 Sportshall Athletics @ WGS 2.30 - 5.30pm
- 5th Feb Year 4,5 & 6 trip to Big Bang Science Fair Winchester
- 6th Feb Inside Out Day
- 10/11th Feb Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 2)

Mon 17th February - Fri 21st February
HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Mon 24th February - First Day Spring
Term (2)

- 25th Feb Netball @ WGS 3.15-5.30pm
- 28th Feb Hinduism Workshop
- 28th Feb Year 1 Dance @ Henry Box 10.00-11.30am
- 4th Mar Year 2 Music Workshop - Tower Hill School 1.00 - 2.30pm
- 5th Mar World Book Day
- 9th Mar Weighing & Measuring Programme - Year 6 & Reception Class
- 11th Mar Girls Football 3.30pm @ Carterton

Aspiring to be the people God created us to be

We were absolutely delighted that so many of you were able to attend our new school vision evening last week. We have received some very positive feedback on the vision itself as well as our Bible text (The Parable of the Talents) and our ASTONishing Learners characteristics. We hope that all of these will enhance our Christian distinctiveness as a school and help us to develop as lifelong learners.

School Value

Our value in February will continue to be "Perseverance". We will be considering what we can learn about Perseverance from Bible characters such as Paul and Jeremiah.

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13



Do your best!

The following children were nominated for a Headteacher's Award in January:



Windmill:	Elijah & Max
Kingsway:	Harry & Thomas
Oatlands:	George & Ollie
Holywell:	Kieran & Ophelia
Reedy:	Connie & Molly
Westerleigh:	Elliott & Frankie

Certificates were awarded for consistently demonstrating one of our ASTONishing Learner characteristics.

Cookie Sale

Bea and Amelia from Reedy Class will be selling cookies after school on Thursday 4th February. There will be a choice of chocolate chip or plain and they will be 50p each. The money raised will be for the Blue Cross. The girls are organising this event as part of their Charities badge at Brownies so please come along and support them.



Go Outdoors!



Thank you to everyone who took part in our outdoor challenge last month. We certainly had some very full rain gauges! This month we would like you to make a homemade bird feeder. Have a look at the link below for ideas:
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-kids/games-and-activities/activities/make-a-recycled-bird-feeder/>

Cooking Workshop



On Monday 27th January, the children in KS2 were delighted to welcome Darren from "Roots to Food" to our school. He demonstrated how to chop food safely as well as how to use a steamer to cook food healthily.

Dressed in aprons and chef hats, the children worked in small groups to cook Teriyaki Chicken. One group in each class made a special vegetarian version using Quorn instead of chicken. The end results were absolutely delicious - the best bit was definitely tasting the results of our hard work!

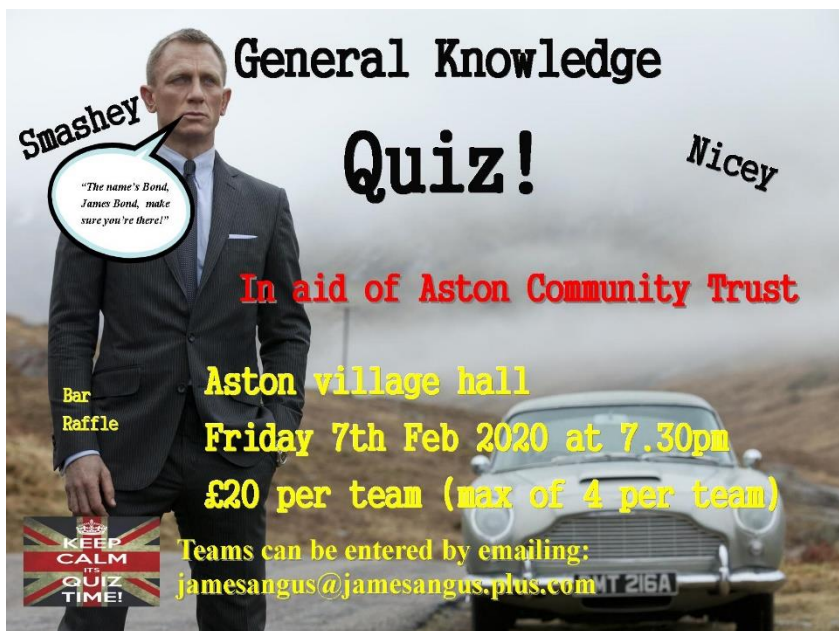
We are very grateful to Darren for making the workshops so much fun as well as being informative and to The School Lunch Company for donating all the food and for organising the event.



FACS News

The FACS AGM will take place on Wednesday 4th March at 7.00 in the school hall. Please come along and support this vital part of our school community which works so hard to raise much needed funds for the school - without new members, there is a real possibility that FACS will not be able to continue which would be a huge loss to the school both in terms of the money it raises for the benefit of the children and the social events it organises for children and adults alike.

Community News



General Knowledge Quiz!

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"The name's Bond, James Bond, make sure you're there!"

In aid of Aston Community Trust

Aston village hall
Friday 7th Feb 2020 at 7.30pm
£20 per team (max of 4 per team)

Bar Raffle

Teams can be entered by emailing:
jamesangus@jamesangus.plus.com

KEEP CALM IT'S QUIZ TIME!



WOOD GREEN SCHOOL P.T.A PRESENTS

FAMILY EVENT

FIRE WALK

BBQ, Bar
Live Music
27th March
6.30—10pm

Reserve your place for £25
& raise £75 Sponsorship
ALL WELCOME—SPECTATORS FREE!!

Minimum Age 17—Sixth Formers
No Upper Age Limit!
Reserve your place on school website
Fundraising for the 50k Challenge
Woodgreenpta@gmail.com
<https://wgsnitney.org.uk/pta-fire-walk-family-event>

WOOD GREEN SCHOOL
PARENTS & TEACHERS ASSOCIATION



I am always happy to meet with parents by appointment and welcome feedback either verbally, through emails or through our "Feedback and Suggestions" box in the front entrance.

Kind regards
Fiona Taylor, Headteacher