

JOHN HELLINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026



Last Newsletter

This is our last newsletter as we finish for the half term on Thursday 22nd October. We wish you all a restful break and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd November!

Einstein Class Visit to the Church

Einstein Class enjoyed a lovely visit to our local church, where we had the opportunity to explore the building and learn more about its importance to the local community. The children discovered interesting features of the church and learned about its role as a place of worship and gathering. They showed great curiosity, asked thoughtful questions and represented the school beautifully.



Celebration Assembly

Well done to our children who were on the hard workers bench this week!



Rhino Afterschool Club

We would like to remind you that all families have access to Rhino after school club. The children who attend enjoy a wide range of activities, indoor and outdoor. Bookings are made directly with Rhino online via their own website. You can even make same day bookings. Additionally, if you would like a trusted adult to collect your child, you can add them as an authorised pick up through Rhino's online portal, Enrolmy.

School Photos

If you have placed an order for your child's photos these will be coming home with your child today.

A Great Big Thank You!

A great big thank you to everyone who donated for the Harvest Festival. It weighed a grand total of 117.9 kgs!!! Towcester Foodbank were incredibly grateful for everyone's generosity!



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Parent/Teacher Meetings

Just a little reminder that next week is virtual Parent/Teacher Meetings. The link to join the meeting will have been sent to you by email, please contact the school office if you need any help with this. Please join a few minutes early so you don't miss the beginning of your time. If you have anything that you need to discuss in length, the teacher may ask to organise a telephone call at a later date.

Poppy Appeal

From Monday 19th October until Friday 6th November, Year 6 will be selling a selection of items for the Poppy Appeal. To purchase an item (minimum £1 donation), please send your donation in a named envelope. We have a lovely variety of poppy merchandise including; snap bands, coloured wrist bands, pens, pencils and the original poppy.



Cold Weather

As the weather turns a little cooler please could you help us by making sure your child has a coat in school.

Please check that the coat is clearly named and they have practiced at home putting on and doing it up.

Thank you for your support with this.



Non-School Uniform Day

We have non-school uniform on the last day of term which is Thursday 22nd October.

Children can come to school dressed in their own clothes for a £1 donation which will be collected on the front gate in the morning. The donations will go towards the upkeep of our lovely school rabbit, new books for the library and new seeds and gardening equipment ready for next year.

Class Trips

Please see below a list of our upcoming trips:

- Anning Class: Bletchley Park 20th October
- Curie Class: Compton Verney 3rd November
- Newton Class: MK Museum 17th November

Further information will be in the email you received.

Please give consent and make payment on Parentpay.

Secondary School Places

Just a reminder that the time has come for pupils transferring to secondary school in 2027 to apply for their school place.

Parents can apply online up until the 31st October at the very latest.



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Calendar of Events

19 th October	Parents evening - online
20 th October	Anning class trip to Bletchley park
21 st October	Hodgkin class visit to the church
21 st October	Parents evening - online
22 nd October	Non uniform day
23 rd October - 1 st November October Half Term	
3 rd November	Curie class trip to Compton Verney
9 th November	Flu vaccinations
10 th November	Visit from the Archdeacon
13 th November	Come and learn - reading
17 th November	Newton Class trip to MK Museum
23 rd November - 26 th November	Book Fair 3:15pm until 3:45pm
25 th November	Franklin class visit to the church
4 th December	Christmas movie night
8 th December	Christmas performance 1 & 2
9 th December	Christmas performance 3 & 4
10 th December	Christmas performance 5 & 6
17 th December	Last day of Autumn term
18 th December - 4 th January Half Term	

BREAKFAST CLUB

**BOOK NOW ON
PARENTPAY!**

NEXT WEEK...

Pumpkin Week

Create colourful pumpkin designs

Pumpkin paper crafts

Children will take part in a fun outdoor rescue the pumpkin challenge

