



#### St Andrew's Church of England Primary School

# Welcome

Year 5/6
Meet the Teachers...

# Our aims today....

- Meet the Staff
- Working with a Mixed Age Classes
- Our Curriculum
- Reading
- PE
- Uniform
- Homework
- Attendance
- Residential
- School Values
- Applying for secondary school
- SATs
- Online safety
- Staff will remain to answer any questions.



#### Meet the Team

William Knibb

Class Teacher - Mr Bailey Supported by Miss Brame & Miss Whysall

Steven Hawking

Class Teacher - Miss Marks Supported by Miss Brame & Miss Whysall

Malala Yousafzai

Class Teacher - Mrs Eager Supported by Mrs Bland & Miss Whysall

## Working with a Mixed Age Classes

All subject are taught in mixed age classes. This has its benefits:

- Older children are able to recap learning from previous years.
- Younger children are introduced to concepts much earlier.
- The broad spectrum of abilities allow children to work with children at, above and below their own ability level.

## Topic-Based Learning



Our topic this term is called...

#### The Benin Kingdom

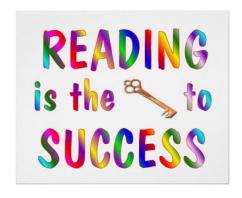
We will be covering the development of the Benin Kingdom in North West Africa.

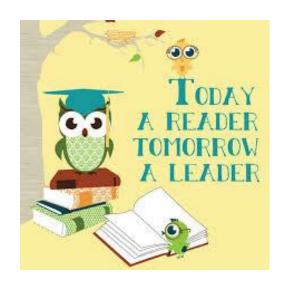
- Maths
  - Place Value
  - The four operations + X /
  - Fractions
- Literacy
  - A range writing genres covered
  - Strong focus on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
  - HANDWRITING- NO LONGER KINETIC LETTERS
  - LOVE OF READING

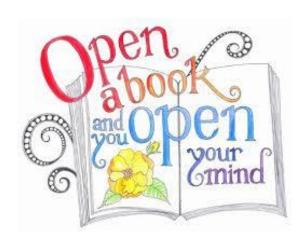
## Reading



- The children have brand new reading records.
- Please encourage daily reading at home, (at least 5 times a week)
- Your child is expected to write in their diary every day.







### Homework

- The minimum requirement going forward is for children to complete one piece of homework per week in each class- this is usually a maths task that they can do independently.
- Your class teacher may add additional homework if they see fit.
- Please email your class teacher if there are any problems or queries before the hand-in date.

### PE

- PE will take place for WK and MY on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For SH PE will take place on Monday and Tuesdays.
- Please ensure your child is wearing the school PE kit of a white T-shirt and black shorts or joggers.
- Earrings must be removed for PE- no exceptions.
- They may wear a plain black/blue tracksuit or hoody for outdoor PE during the colder months of the year



#### Our School Values

- We will continue to have a 'value of the month'
- September Love
- Your child has a new Values Passport. Please encourage them to fill it in



#### Year 5/6 Residential

 This will be happening in week beginning 26th June till Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

· Frontier Centre-Rock UK-Irthlingborough.

Only 3 spaces left- Deadline tomorrow!



### SATs (For Year 6s only)

 There will be a meeting in the Spring to go over the SATs. It is not something our children should be worried about at this point in the term.

#### Key stage 2

The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 8 May to Thursday 11 May 2023.

#### Uniform.

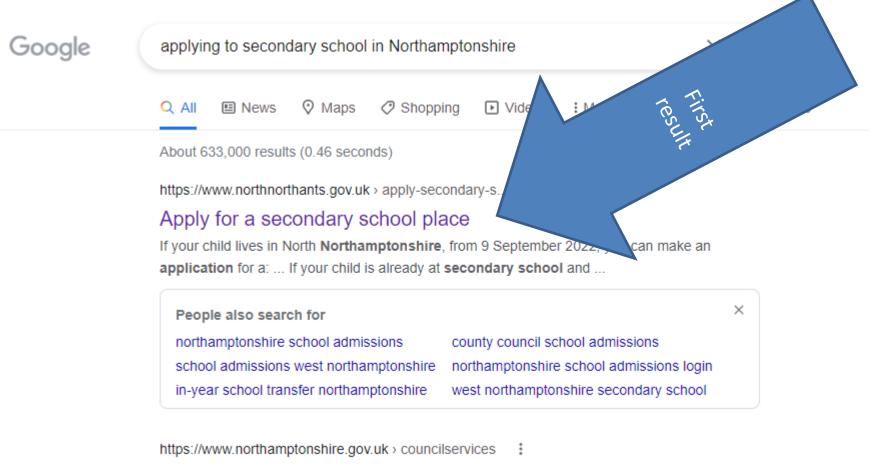
- Please make sure your children are wearing the appropriate uniform at all times, this includes a tie, (unless wearing PE kit or a summer dress for girls).
- If there is a reason why a child may not be wearing the correct school uniform, please let your class teacher know.
- Wearing the correct school uniform is an important part of belonging to a school community and sets the expectations for strict secondary school dress codes.

#### Attendance.

- Should be at least 97%
- Missing a key part of the teaching sequence leads to significant gaps in learning.
- Outside agencies will not consider assessing a child for specific learning difficulties until their attendance is in the high nineties.
- Interventions can not take place if a child is not in school, leading to children falling significantly behind their peers.

#### Applying for a secondary school place.

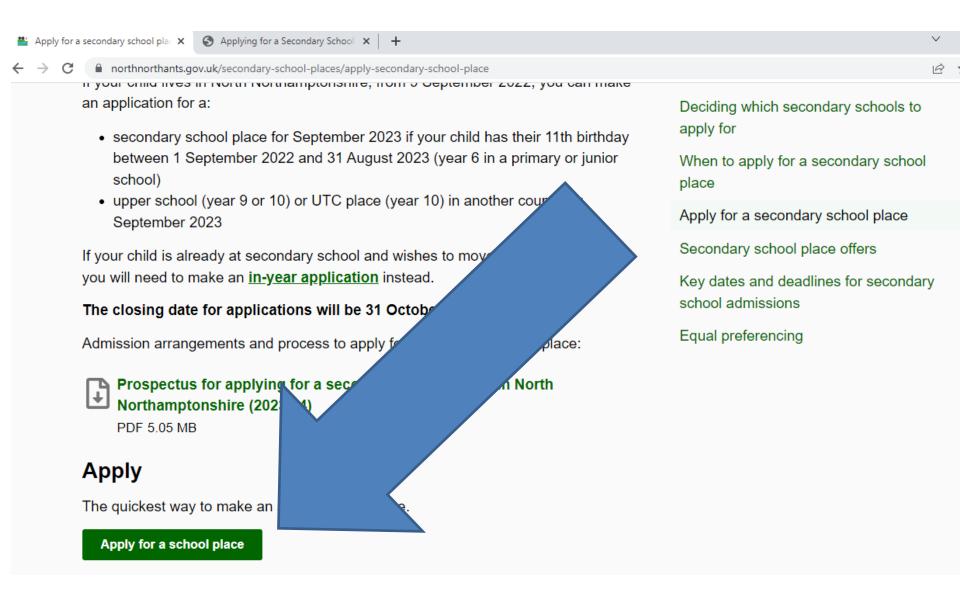
The easiest way to do it is online:



**Applying** for a **school** place in **Northamptonshire**. ... Please access **School** admissions information and support from the relevant authority.

School admissions - Northamptonshire County Council

#### About ¼ of the way down the page:



Home > Schools and education > School admissions

#### **School application**

If you do not live in North Northamptonshire you will need to apply to the local authority in which you live. You must only use this application service if you live in North Northamptonshire.

Select the local area you live in to apply:

- Wellingborough
- > Enter your postcode to find your area

If your area isn't listed, you may be a resident of West Northamptonshire.

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#### **Open Evenings**

- Check on your desired secondary school's website for dates of open evenings.
- KBA Open Evening- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 5:45pm
- KSA Open Evening- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 6pm
- None-feeder primary schools, (such as St Andrew's) have very little to do with the application process and can not apply on a child's behalf, it is very much the parent/carer's responsibility to apply.

#### Applying late.

- Applying late means you will find out later than everyone else where your child is going.
- Your first choice may well be full and no longer taking in students.
- Could lead to your secondary school being located far from where you live.
- Having a sibling at a school is no longer a guarantee of a place.
- There is an appeals process if you do not agree with your allocation.

#### **Online Safety**

- Every year we are getting more and more children and parents coming to us with serious incidents that have happened online away from school.
- All of the problems have occurred on platforms which have a minimum age limit above Primary School.
- We will soon have a document to help parents deal with any serious incidents that may happen online at home.



We are keen to form a strong partnership with parents and carers to make sure every child is able to reach their full potential.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak to us. We are available most days after school.

