



Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

We are delighted to announce that our school has a new PTA committee.

Ms Johnson and Mrs Parkin are sharing the role of Chair and Mrs Lewis is the Vice Chair. Mrs Chappell is the Treasure, Mrs Miley will be Secretary and we also have many officers who will take on specific roles throughout the year. We are very much looking forward to all the exciting events that our PTA organise so brilliantly.

A huge thank you to the outgoing PTA Committee Members for all the wonderful work they have done for our school.

Next PTA meeting: Friday 2nd Nov – All Welcome

UPCOMING DATES

- 29/10/2018 Term 2 Begins
- 29/10/2018 Parents Information Meetings
Years 1 and 2 - 4pm-4:30pm- Hall
Years 3 and 4 - 4:45pm-5:15pm- Hall
Years 5 and 6 - 5:30pm-6:00pm- Hall
- 29/10/2018 SATS Meeting-for parents of Y6 children
- 31/10/2018 Individual & Sibling School Photographs



Foundation Stage

The children in Foundation Stage have just finished their very first term at school!

We have been so impressed with how much they have learnt and how quickly they have settled into the St Gilbert's school family. They are already showing **independence** in their **self-care and learning**, taking **responsibility** for their belongings and **looking after** school property.

This week the children have explored more of the world around them, looking at the beautiful different colours and shapes of Autumn leaves.

They have done some **independent** writing on our laminated leaf shapes using some of the sounds they have learnt in Phonics.

In Maths they have learnt the difference between 2D and 3D shapes, and had great fun playing Kim's game with the shapes.

In RE they have learnt about Hinduism, and compared the religion with Christianity, looking at similarities and differences.

In Character Education the children learnt about **cooperation and team work**. It's been great to see the children put this into practise this week, getting things done quicker when they help each other.

Well done everybody!

Key Stage 1

Years 1/2 have been full of **enthusiasm** in Maths this week using lots of classroom resources to help them to flourish as **confident and independent** learners.

We have also been learning about and investigating how to make **good choices** in what we eat in order to stay healthy. In PE we were very grateful that the Year 6 children had planned such an exciting, varied and engaging PE lesson for us on Thursday afternoon. It was lovely to have the opportunity for our key stages to mix with each other and learn with and from each other. Thank you Year 6.



We have now entered The BIG Draw festival. Please go to our website, click on The BIG Draw banner to watch the time lapse of our Playful Place-its being created and listen to our children singing the backing song. Also watch out for further updates!



Key Stage 2

This term Year 3/4 have been learning about Hinduism and the Hindu festival Rakhi. They have enjoyed learning about the festival tradition where the sisters in a family tie a Rakhi, (a bracelet made of interwoven red and gold threads) around their brothers' wrists to **celebrate** their relationship.

This week the children spent time thinking about who they might make a Rakhi bracelet for and why. We then designed our bracelets, thinking carefully about what the receiver would like and created them using a mixture of materials. The children showed a great **love of learning** when they experienced how it felt to give and receive a bracelet, and we were very **proud** to see the **caring** nature of the children who shared their work with others so graciously.



Key Stage 2

As you know, the children were very busy last week creating lots of artwork and posters for 'One World Week'. The art work is being exhibited at Stamford Arts Centre so please do go and have a look.

Year 3/4 children were very excited and proud to see all of their hard work being exhibited and were very interested and enthusiastic about all the work on display.

We were also very lucky to be joined by Rutland Radio and if you listen carefully, you may even hear one of our children being interviewed.

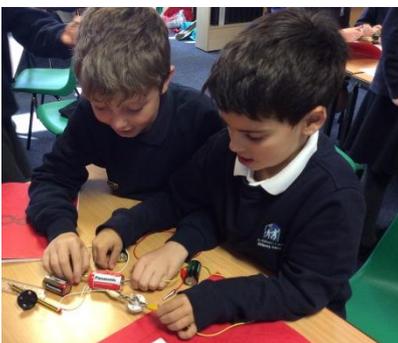
Further details will be posted on our Facebook page later on today.



On Thursday afternoon as part of Character Education, our Y5.6 children worked **cooperatively** to carry out their activities with the Y1.2 children which they had previously planned a few weeks ago. Rowling paired up with Milne, Snicket with Donaldson and Morpurgo with Seuss class. It was a fantastic afternoon had by all involved. The Y5.6 children were excellent role models; they demonstrated great **leadership** skills and were **very kind and caring** towards their younger peers. They certainly **inspired a love of learning!** The Y1.2 children were equally as brilliant and listened carefully to the rules and instructions from the older children - they all got involved and were smiling throughout! At the end of the session, our Y5.6 children nominated some of the Y1.2 children to receive gems for their **hard work, determination and resilience**. All of the teachers were extremely **impressed** and were so **proud** of all involved – **well done everyone!** The children can't wait to do this again!

Y5.6 also demonstrated great partner work in Science this week. They worked **collaboratively** to conduct their own experiments that they had **independently** planned. The children had a great time using the circuit equipment and this allowed them to deepen their **knowledge and understanding** of our Electricity topic. They asked **thought-provoking** questions and were **curious** to find out more!

After working extremely hard all week, the children enjoyed researching a volcano in preparation for presenting their information to the class. The children took on different roles within the group and combined all of their individual knowledge and skills (including Art, IT, Geography and History) to create some spectacular pieces of work. They showed a real **responsibility and maturity**, and they can't wait to present and listen to each other's work





Our victorious hockey team that came first in the Quick Sticks Tournament at Stamford Welland Academy yesterday

Applying for Secondary School

A message from the Principal Admissions Officer:

Please can you remind the Parents/Carers of Year 6 children the importance of applying for a secondary place at a school, if they want their child to start Y7 in September 2019.

They can apply online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions, or make a phone application by contacting the Education Team on 01522 782030. If applicants live outside of Lincolnshire then they need to apply to their home Local Authority even if they want a school in Lincolnshire.

The main closing date is 31 October 2018, although the online and telephone application facility should still be available to use until 14 December 2018.

Thank you.

Parents evenings

Parents evening appointments will be available to book on line today from 5.00pm

Have a very happy half term holiday
&
we look forward to seeing you all on the 29th October 2018



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