

# MORE NEWS



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## CATERING NEWS

Juniors **please pay lunches on School Money- £2.20 per day**  
Spring Term second half £66

Week 1  
Kindly make sure the kitchen is aware of any allergies.  
Snack Bar 25p

## SWIMMING

**Monday 16th March—Year 3 and 5**

**Tuesday 17th March—Year 2**  
Children are not allowed to wear earrings during swimming lessons and must have a red swimming hat.

## DIARY DATES

### Spring Term 2020

#### March

16th Reception Cooking Week  
18th Year 3 Sing Big at Saffron Hall  
19th Year 1 Visit Stansted Mountfitchet Castle  
20th Reception Reptile Visit  
**20th PSA Quiz Night**  
23rd Year 4 Cooking Week  
23rd Reception and Year 5 Road Safety Day  
23rd Year 5 Visit from Music Ambassadors SWCHS  
24th Year 3 and 4 Young Shakespeare Company –Midsummer Nights Dream  
25th Year 4 Afternoon Tea Concert 2.30pm  
25th Year 6 to Boy Blue Saffron Hall  
25th KS1 Dance Festival  
26th KS1 Dance performance in school hall 9am  
27th Year 5 Baptist Church  
30th Year 3 Cooking Week

#### April

1st Mass 9.30am—All welcome!  
1st Year 6 Visit from Music Ambassadors SWCHS  
2nd Walk to School Day  
3rd End of term

### **6th—17th April Easter Holidays**

20th Start of Summer term

### **May 8th Bank Holiday**

## SCHOOL NEWS

**We are continuing to follow advice from Public Health England in respect of Coronavirus.**

**We have been asked to share the following document.**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

**We have not been put on alert to close and at present we have no plans to close the school for any additional time.**

**We are working closely with the Local Authority and if we are advised differently by Public Health England and the Department for Education to close, we will inform parents and carers immediately.**

### **Reception and Year 1 Radwinter Dance**

**Festival—**Unfortunately, due to very limited space in Radwinter School hall, parents are not able to attend the dance festival on Wednesday 25th March. However, we will be showing the dance to parents on Thursday 26th March in the school hall. We will start as soon as we can after drop off - hopefully around 9am.

**Book Fair 9th March—12th March—**Thank you to parents and children for supporting the Book Fair.

**May Bank Holiday Changed Date—**The government changed the May Bank Holiday for 2020. Kindly note the school will be closed on Friday 8th May (open 4th May).

**Spring Levy—**The Governors' Levy is a contribution from parents for the upkeep and development of the building and premises. We would like to encourage all parents to contribute as it is an essential fund. The Levy can be paid for on SchoolMoney. The suggested donation is set at £15, however you can change the amount by clicking on the green highlighted button. All contributions are gratefully received.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

- Dear Creator of the World,
- Open our eyes, Lord, to the beauty of Spring.
- The fresh green leaves unfolding on the branches,
- The bright yellow of daffodils waving in the breeze,
- The pink blossoms dropping on our heads.
- Creator, help us to protect our precious world.
- Open our eyes, Lord, to the beauty of Spring.
- The animals waking sleepily from hibernation,
- The birds singing as they build their nests,
- The baby lambs jumping in the fields.
- Creator, help us to protect our precious world.
- Open our eyes, Lord, to the beauty of Spring.
- The sun warming our hearts as we prepare for Easter,
- Our generous spirits as we look after each other,
- Our strength as we try to follow our Lenten promises.
- Creator, help us to protect our precious world.
- Amen
- Billy, Joshua, Lois, Lucy and Tabitha
- Year 2

STATEMENT OF BELIEF

I can learn from my mistakes and failures.

CLUBS

**Netball Tournament**—On Friday 6th March our Year 6 children took part in the annual Netball Tournament at Saffron Walden County High School. 19 teams took part in the event which allowed the children to progress their Netball skills. Despite being a cold afternoon, the sun shone and the children displayed some wonderful skills. Outstanding shooting from some saw the teams finishing as group winners in two of the groups and second place in another. Well done to everyone who took part and to Mrs Anandraj and Mrs Gregory for their help all afternoon. Comment of the afternoon “I didn’t know netball could be so much fun.”

**Cross Country**—On Friday 13th March our Junior cross country teams took part in the level 2 Uttlesford finals at Carver Barracks. 39 children took part in the event and despite some very nervous starters, everyone ran their individual best. Individual Gold Medals were won by Clara Changer, Ava Cinque and Zachary Head, and Individual silver medals won by India Rowlandson and Rocco Stevens. Team winners were Year 3 and Year 4 girls. All of these children will now progress to the County Finals at Hadleigh Park. Year 6 girls finished 4th, Year 4 boys 4th, Year 5 girls 3rd and Year 5 boys 3rd. Well done to all those who took part and a special thanks to all the parents and grandparents who came along to support the runners.

**KS1 Cross Country**—On Wednesday 11th our Year 1 and 2 children took part in the Key Stage 1 Cross Country event at Katherine Semar School. All children ran the course, with some super individual results. Well done to everyone who took part.

### PSA

We will be selling tickets for the Easter Raffle hamper on the playground from Monday, tickets will also be available on SchoolMoney.

For £1 the children will be able to enter to win the Easter egg tree!

### PSA Quiz Night Friday 20th March

We are hosting a PSA Quiz Night. Tickets are £13 which includes lasagne, veggie or gluten free lasagne and pudding.

You can come as a team or we can add you to a team.

### Talent Show Thursday 21st May 3.30-5.30pm

We have more registration forms in the office.  
£4 per participant (including pizza)  
£1 per audience member  
Trophy for the winning act

### Celebration 50th Anniversary Ball

We only have a few tickets left for our celebration ball on Saturday 26th September in Parklands in Quendon. We can only reserve tickets for those who have paid a deposit so if you have expressed an interest and are planning on coming but have not yet paid anything your place has not been confirmed.

Tickets are £100 per person. If you would like to buy a ticket please contact the school office and we will add the payment on to your School Money account.

Those using our payment plan—the details are as follows:

4<sup>th</sup> instalment of £20 due by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Final payment of £20 due by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

For those of you who are currently at the school we will add this to your SchoolMoney account. If you are not currently at the school you may pay by cash, cheque payable to St Thomas More Catholic Primary School or by bank transfer Sort Code 30-97-13 Account Number: 03966103)

