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**Northhill C of E V.A. Lower School  
Newsletter**

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Dear Parents and Children

We would like to begin this newsletter by congratulating the children on their wonderful readings and beautiful singing at this morning's Harvest Festival. It was lovely to see so many parents attending the service and we hope you enjoyed it very much.

Could we politely remind parents that there is no pedestrian access to the school through the car park. Parking, other than staff parking and disabled parking for 1 vehicle, is not permitted. Should you see parents doing either, please remind them not to.

Please could the spaces outside the front of the school be left for use by parents with younger children. Parents of older children are able to use the Crown PH and Village Hall for parking.

The Autumn Term parent/pupil consultations will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October from 8.00am – 11.30am and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October from 1.15pm – 6.30pm. If you are unable to book a suitable appointment time then please speak to the teacher concerned. The appointments are far more effective if children attend with their parents. However if you feel that you need to speak about something in private please explain to the teacher and arrange another appointment time. Appointment sheets will be available before and after school on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

Below are some dates for your diary:

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Church Service – 9.30am all welcome and last day of this Half term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Inset Day
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Return to school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	FPTA Clothing Collection & Y4 Open Evening Edward Peake Middle School 6.30pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Taster Day Alban Academy
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Open Evening Sandy Place Middle School 6.30pm
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	FPTA Family Photo Day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Open Evening Alban Middle School 7.00pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	FPTA Cheese and Wine Experience
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Van Cols Photography – Individual & Sibling Photographs
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	FPTA Movie Night

Many of our parents receive our newsletters via email. If you would like to receive yours by this method please give your email address to Mrs Swain in the school office.

The FPTA would like to thank everyone for their support with the quiz night which raised £274. The money will be used to fund the coach for the forthcoming pantomime trip and other Christmas festivities for the children.

Central Bedfordshire Council is beginning work on setting its budget and Council Tax for 2012/13 and are asking residents, partners and stakeholders to tell them what services they want the council to focus on and where they feel savings could be made. Please complete their survey at [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/consultations) by Friday 14th October 2011.

Yours sincerely

The Headteacher and Staff  
Northhill Lower School

