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

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Dear Parents and Children

Many thanks to the children for providing us with such a lovely Leavers' Service. Each year we are so proud of the 'leavers' song' for which the children make up the words and this year the song was truly amazing. Thank you!

We were so pleased to manage to hold our sports day on such a lovely day and relieved that we had made the right decision last Thursday. Many thanks to the volunteers who assisted with the races and "sticker" giving. We were disappointed with the few adults who disputed the decisions made by these people and would like to say a huge thank you to the majority of parents and carers that entered into the spirit of the day.

Unfortunately the cost of a school meal will increase to £1.80 when we return to school in September. The price of milk will remain at 30p per carton.

A note from Father Frank....

*I am writing to you as Rector of Northhill Parish Church. If you hope for your child to transfer to a Church Middle School in September 2011, for instance Alban Middle School, then you will need to collect a form from the school office or directly from me (01767 315578). This is a church attendance form. For me to be able to countersign your application form for Middle School it will be necessary for you to attend church within this benefice at least once a month in each of the months August – December 2010. You will then need to get the form signed each time you attend church by the person leading the service. When the form is completed I will be happy to countersign your application to a church middle school. Without a completed Church Attendance Form, I will **NOT** be able to countersign your form.*

Central Bedfordshire Libraries are inviting children to participate in their Summer Reading Challenge. Children are invited to read any six library books during the summer holidays after signing up for the challenge and obtaining a membership card. Each time a book is read the children will receive a reward and various prizes depending on the number of books read. Additionally, every book read raises funds for Keech Cottage Hospice. Further information may be obtained from any Central Beds library.

The Child Exploitation and online Protection Centre (CEOP) have announced that following discussions with Facebook they have now, in partnership with them, developed an application which will enable users to download the CEOP button and place it within their profiles on Facebook. While this stops short of CEOP's request for the button to appear automatically within all user profiles, it nonetheless has the potential to make young people safer in this environment.

Finally it just remains for us to thank you for your good wishes and gifts, which are greatly appreciated by all. We hope you have a super summer holiday and look forward to welcoming you back on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2010.

Yours sincerely

The Headteacher and Staff  
Northhill Lower School

