



# Ash, Cartwright & Kelsey Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Newsletter Term 2 Week 1

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to term 2 – it is going to be another busy one! A huge thanks to the PTFA for organising the Monster Mash Disco on Tuesday – the children had a great time. Classes are already busy learning about their new topics. Year 6 learnt Mayan weaving as part of their 'What made the Mayan civilization one to remember?' topic. They had to persevere but the designs were amazing. Eagles have been making clay poppies as part of Remembrance Day – these will be painted and will go on our worship table. We will hold a 2 minute silence on Monday at 11am to remember all those who lost their lives.

Wrens made some fantastic firework pictures as part of their 'Light and Dark' topic and these are on display in their classroom. Magpies have been learning about Brazil as part of their 'Where in the world would you choose to live?' topic – they have made flags and parrots and their classroom looks very colourful and vibrant.

We are looking forward to maths week next week – remember Friday is Times Table Rock Star Dress up day! If you are a reception parent/carer, please attend the phonics workshop with myself and Mr Hart on Thursday morning after drop off – you are all very welcome.

Have a lovely weekend

Fiona Crascall  
Headteacher



## Birthdays to celebrate

### Hawks

Jessica H and Harry

### Eagles

Lexi



**We still have a few spaces left in our lovely nursery – please do ring the school to arrange a tour with me if you have, or know someone who has a nursery aged child. For children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they will be school starters in September 2025. The online portal is now open. I am offering individual tours so please give the school a ring if you would like to book one.**

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## **PTFA UPDATE**

### **MONSTER MASH DISCO**

The Monster Mash has come and gone in a flash, but we really hope the children had a wonderful time. Just Bounce loved having so many children up dancing and we believe the foam and bubbles were a huge hit with the little ones.

### **COMPETITION RESULTS**

Mrs Bailey and Ms Blake had the difficult task of choosing the winners and runners up for the milk bottle competition- such creative entries! Well done to all the children who took part in this, it looked like you had lots of fun.

### **TUCK SHOP**

Tuck shop WILL NOT be on this week.

Children from the Eagles class will be helping us run this next week so please be patient with them and their maths.

### **TAG DAY– 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

We will be having a VIP TAG day on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in conjunction with Odd Socks Day. This non-uniform day will be one that gives your child entry into the VIP draw for our Christmas fair, in exchange for a donation to our tombola – the usual £1 donation is still accepted though (it just won't get your child entered into the draw). Tombola donations could include; bottles (drink or smellies), games, toys, teddies, books etc; as long as anything donated is in good condition. Just bring your item to the main entrance where there will be a member of the PTFA will be ready to enter you into the draw, thank you!

### **SAVE THE DATE: THE CHRISTMAS FAIR- FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

We will be busy little elves over the next 3 weeks getting this wonderful event organised and cannot believe we are coming into the Christmas season.

The Christmas Raffle tickets, and Santa slot letter will be coming to you soon!

### **MYSTERY JARS APPEAL**

We always sell out of these at our events so we really need to ask for your help in making sure we have plenty on offer so nobody misses out! For those who aren't familiar; a mystery jar is a (clean) jam jar filled with little treats – think small toys, sweets, crayons etc, any sort of 'party bag' stuff really – and covered in wrapping paper to keep the contents a mystery! If you have lots of spare jars but can't fill them all, please do bring those in too, we can always get them filled and wrapped to make up the numbers, it's always a very popular stall with the children. Please leave jars on the table by the main entrance, from next week onwards (thank you to those eager beavers who have already donated some jars!), thanks.

### **MATCH FUNDING HELP-**

We have been very fortunate in recent years to receive match funding for part of our profits from Barclays Bank, unfortunately this is not something we are able to access any longer. As you can imagine, that is quite a hit to our fundraising pot, so we are now reaching out to those in our school community to ask if any of you may be able to access a matched funding scheme through your employers – who knows, if we get a few of you coming forward we may even exceed the match funding we used to receive! It would be so very appreciated if you can each check on whether it's available to you and email us at [candk.ptfa@gmail.com](mailto:candk.ptfa@gmail.com) if you have any success, thank you in advance!

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### About the PTFA

The PTFA is an integral part of the school community made up of parents, teachers and friends of the school. All parents & carers are automatically members. We are charity reg. number 1042205. Read more on the school website <https://www.ashckschool.org/about-us/ptfa>  
All money raised goes back into the school to benefit the children



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| <b>Fledglings</b>     | Edie for her careful pencil control this week. Well done!  |
| <b>Year R Wrens</b>   | Alice for always making great choices and setting a wonderful example. Well done!  |
| <b>Year 1 Robins</b>  | Rosie for her wonderful ideas and thoughtful work in R.E.  |
| <b>Year 2 Magpies</b> | Rocco for showing impressive understanding of subtraction in Maths and producing brilliant independent writing in Literacy. Well done!   |
| <b>Year 3 Owls</b>    | Hugo has persevered fantastically this week considering the fact that there has been a lot of changes, he has really done himself proud with his attitude towards it. Well done!                               |
| <b>Year 4 Hawks</b>   | Noah G for his outstanding attitude to learning. Well done Noah! You are approaching challenging work with a can-do attitude and focusing well to achieve learning intentions and success criteria. Excellent! |
| <b>Year 5 Eagles</b>  | Luca for showing great perseverance and having a positive attitude to his work. Keep it up!  |
| <b>Year 6 Falcons</b> | Harvey for his incredible efforts this week where he has maintained impressive levels of concentration and focus on the task at hand.  |

### Attendance Award

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| <b>Week Ending</b><br><b>08/11/2024</b> | Hawks Class | 98.80% |
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## Dates for your diary

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| <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>    | Maths week in school  |
| <b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November</b>   | Robin Hood panto (PM) as part of maths week   |
| <b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>  | Little Wandle phonics talk in school hall with Mr Hart and Mrs Crascall after drop off – EYFS parents – come and find out how we teach phonics and how you can support your child |
| <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>    | Dress up as a Rock Star for TTRS to end maths week  |
| <b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November</b>    | Anti-bullying week in school – theme is 'Choose Respect'  |
| <b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</b>    | PTFA Tag Day and wear Odd Socks to end Anti-bullying week   |
| <b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>     | Christmas Fayre after school in the hall – all very welcome   |
| <b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>   | Christmas jumper day and school Christmas dinner  |
| <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>  | i-rock concert in school hall – 9.30am – families welcome   |
| <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>    | Flu vaccines in school  |
| <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>   | Year 1 and 2 nativity to parents – 1.45pm   |
| <b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b> | Fledglings and Wrens nativity to parents – 1.45pm   |
| <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>  | Children break up for Christmas Holidays. Church Service 1.45 – parents of year 6 children very welcome to attend   |
| <b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January</b>     | WOW Day and children back in school for term 3  |
| <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>   | Mid-year reports to parents   |
| <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b>     | Children's Mental Health Week – theme is Movement for our Mental Health   |
| <b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>     | Dress to Express Day to celebrate Mental Health Week  |
| <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>    | End of term 3   |