

# Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School

*Through God's love and strength all flourish*

\* **Achieve** \* **Create** \* **Know**



Friday 15th November

Newsletter No: 9

Dear Parents/Carers

Despite the wet weather we have had a very exciting week in school. The minibus was delivered on Wednesday morning - we will get our school logo and name on the sides and then we will be ready to go! This is a great community effort and will really benefit our school - and also get our name out there! We must not forget the parents who jumped out of a plane to raise an amazing £1,940. The children are very pleased that they won't have to suffer 'minibus envy' anymore - Mr Hayes is very happy too.



The school council and sealife squad had a visitor on Thursday afternoon, Shelly Morris from the Kent Countryside Project. She spoke to the children about the 3 R's - reduce, reuse and recycle. They learnt about the dangers of plastic and how this is destroying our seas. The children then made posters showing how we can reuse, rather than throwing away. Shelly was very impressed with the children's ideas and how passionate they were about caring for our planet.



Have a lovely weekend  
Fiona Crascall  
Headteacher

## The Sun books for schools - Get Over £600 Worth Of Free Books For Your School

Mr Hart has registered the school for this. The Sun has teamed up with HarperCollins to provide primary schools across England, Wales and Northern Ireland a free pack of 106 books, worth more than £600!

From early phonic development to fluent reading, Collins Big Cat is a whole-school reading programme that provides complete support for primary reading. The free books included within the packs cover a diverse range of subjects from fairy tales to football, from camping to crocodiles and from wild cats to worms - there is really something for all ages and abilities. We need to collect the tokens from the paper from November 23<sup>rd</sup> until Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Please send them into school as you collect them. Thank you.

## PTFA Update

Don't forget that the next TAG day is Wednesday 20th November. Non-uniform for £1 or a bottle/tombola donation for the upcoming Christmas Fair.

### **Christmas Fair Friday 6th December**

Santa's Grotto letters have gone out in bags - visits to Santa must be booked in advance to ensure the children get the best experience. Please return your form and payment no later than Friday 22nd November.

Raffle tickets have been sent home with all children. Fantastic top prizes to be won along with a host of other treats. The raffle will be drawn at the fair. Remember all raffle ticket sales will be match funded by Barclays Dover. This is an amazing opportunity to double sales and raise more funds for the school. Tickets are £2.50 per booklet, or you can sell them individually at 50p each. Please return ticket stubs to Mrs Bailey in the school office once sold. You can also request more as you need them, also via the office. There will be a prize for the class that sells the most tickets. **Eagles are in the lead at the moment.**

If you or anyone you know has a local business that would be willing to donate a raffle prize please let us know. Every little bit helps and is always gratefully received.

\*\*\*\*\* The Sleigh of Merriment \*\*\*\*\* is an established part of the Christmas Fair! - it is a wonderful prize to win at this time of year - packed with festive drinks. As such, this year it is an event in itself! It will have its own stall and raffle tickets for it will be sold on the night.

**NEW DATE FOR THE DIARY** To continue the seasonal feel, we have arranged an additional event for the children. On Wednesday 11th December children can visit the The Tree of Treasures to select and buy special decorations for their mums, dads, grandparents and any other adults they wish to buy for. There will be many different types of designs to choose from. Please see the letter sent home in bags and return forms and payment by Wednesday 4th December.

Thank you for your continued support. All funds raised through PTFA events go back into enriching the children's school life and learning.

### Star of the week

<b>Fledglings</b>	Albie for his super Maths work.
<b>Year 1 Robins</b>	Kobe for trying really hard in all of his subjects.
<b>Year 2 Magpies</b>	Trinity for improved positivity and resilience.
<b>Year 3 Owls</b>	Bethany for trying her best all year. We will miss you! Aidan for amazing perseverance in the Daily Mile.
<b>Year 4 Hawks</b>	Naia for working hard on improving her writing and creating a fantastic tribal mask in Art.
<b>Year 5 Eagles</b>	Ella-Jane for excellent perseverance in Maths this week.
<b>Year 6 Falcons</b>	Kelsey for fantastic perseverance and a significant improvement in confidence in Maths.

### Attendance

<b>Class</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Robins - year 1</b>	99.17
<b>Magpies - year 2</b>	97.00
<b>Owls - year 3</b>	99.62
<b>Hawks - year 4</b>	98.95
<b>Eagles - year 5</b>	98.33
<b>Falcons year 6</b>	96.07

### Places for 2020

It is that time of year again when we think about year R places for 2020. If you have a child who will start school in September 2020 (born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016), or know someone who is looking for a primary place, please see Mrs Bailey in the office to organise a tour of our fabulous EYFS unit. Closing date for online applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places>

### Dates for your diary

<b>Term 1</b>	
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Reading competition for specific children at St Richards primary school</b>
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Whole school 'Aladdin' pantomime pm - in the school hall - PTFA Tag Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Phonics talk for parents with Mrs Crascall at 9am</b>

	Parents evenings
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Phil the bag collection.
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents evenings
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair after school
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day - £1 for Save the Children
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity performance to pupils
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity performance to parents at 2pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Egyptian class assembly at 10am
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Fledglings nativity performance to pupils
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Fledglings nativity performance to parents at 10am
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term 2
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET staff training - no children in school
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Children back in school

