

# Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School

*Through God's love and strength all flourish*

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



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Dear Parents/Carers

The cold weather has not distracted us from our learning this week - as pretty as a covering of snow looks - we don't want things to grind to a halt! We did manage to wrap up warm today in our pyjamas for the tag day - thank you to all who supported us - all money raised by our PTFA gets spent on our pupils and our school.

We are delighted that Bishop Trevor is visiting the school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February to bless our new play equipment, spiritual garden and welcome letters. He will begin with a whole school worship at 9am (so Robins can join in before their trip) and will then go outside for the blessing. Any parents that would like to attend are very welcome. We have invited Ian Chandler from the Jack Foat charity as, without their generous donation, we would not have the new play area, Our Chair of Governors, Nick Hassall will also be in attendance.

Have a lovely weekend and wrap up warm!

Fiona Crascall  
Headteacher

## Absences

Hopefully this cold snap will kill off any nasty germs - but if your child is unwell you must ring the school office in the morning to notify us of your child's absence and a letter must be sent in upon returning to school stating why your child has been absent. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in your child's absence being recorded as unauthorised. Thank you for your support.

## Fledglings Nursery

Our new EYFS unit has been a great success and we are full/nearly full on all of our sessions. We have also had some very positive feedback from School Advisers - it really is a fantastic learning environment. We will have some spaces however, in September 2019. If you have, or know anybody who has a child that will be 3 years old in September, please see a member of staff in Fledglings. Thank you.

### Attendance

Class	%
Robins - year 1	86.82
Magpies - year 2	94.83
Owls - year 3	94.38
Hawks - year 4	93.75
Eagles - year 5	94.80
Falcons year 6	97.60

*Please make sure that you either fill the child collection book in during the morning or ring the school before 12 if somebody else is collecting your child - it interrupts learning in the afternoon if we have to ring down to classes. Thank you for your support.*

### Star of the week

<b>Year R Fledglings</b>	Freddie Williams for making good contributions in our group work.
<b>Year 1 Robins</b>	Abigail Sharp for working extremely hard in all her lessons.
<b>Year 2 Magpies</b>	Ralph Lott for fantastic focus and hard work in Maths this week.
<b>Year 3 Owls</b>	Oliver Morey for always putting 100% effort into his work.
<b>Year 4 Hawks</b>	Daniel Fuller for his hard work and focus in Maths.
<b>Year 5 Eagles</b>	Jemima Dawson-Case for superb questions and answers in RE
<b>Year 6 Falcons</b>	Louisa Collins for great use of description and getting into character well in writing.

### Dates for your diary

<u>Term 3</u>	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	HUB chess competition at St Richards for specific KS2 children
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	3 school councillors to the Chamber of Commerce
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day - whole school assembly and afternoon lessons
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	HAWKS class assembly at 2.30pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	End of term 3
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of term 4
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Mid-year reports to parents
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day - more details to follow
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school performance of Charlotte's Web to support Book Week
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Start of British Science Week
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school science festival with Science Boffins
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Pirate Day trip to Dover Museum
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 5 to Voice in a Million at Wembley

## Governor Vacancy

Are you enthusiastic about School?

Do you have some time to spare?

If so, you may be just the person we need!

We currently have a VACANCY for a parent governor to join our friendly governing body. Our governors come from a range of different backgrounds, skills and experience but all share a common interest of wanting the best possible education for the children at Ash Cartwright and Kelsey Primary School.

**We would be delighted to hear from anyone who:-**

- Is interested in children's education and the performance of the school
- Is community spirited and would like to represent the community
- Has spare time and the energy for the role
- Is able to work well as part of a team
- Has an enquiring mind and the confidence to ask questions and debate issues that affect the school
- Can consider matters objectively and make informed judgements

**We would welcome applications from people with experience of:-**

- Finance (Accountant, Finance Manager etc.)
- Human Resources/Special Educational Needs
- Legal (Paralegal, Solicitor etc.)
- Health and Safety
- Capital projects management

**What is the role of the governing body?**

- Helping to set and review the schools strategic direction and agreeing targets for improvement
- Holding the headteacher and school leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure public money is well spent

**What does the role offer?**

- A chance to develop your own personal skills
- Access to a programme of free training in respect of education/governance matters
- A sense of achievement in helping make a difference to children reaching their potential
- The support and guidance with an experienced governor as mentor
- Give you the opportunity to make a difference to the school and the outcomes for the pupils

If you are interested or know of somebody else who would be, please contact Nick Hassall, Chair of Governors via the school office.

Thank you



## **PTFA**

Hope children (and staff!) Enjoyed pyjama day. Thank you for your donations.

We are pleased to confirm our next film event is Tuesday 12th February from 3.15 to 5.30pm. Entry is £3.50 (payable in advance) and includes refreshments. Letters with full details have gone into school bags. Please note the deadline for returning forms is 1st February.

If you would like to help at events, please sign up to our helpers list. Extra pairs of hands at our events are invaluable in making things run smoothly for the children. To add your name please email [candk.ptfa@gmail.com](mailto:candk.ptfa@gmail.com)