

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School

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Friday 6th March 2020

Newsletter No: 21

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had another busy week and it is lovely to finally feel like spring is in the air. The children enjoyed World Book Day and looked fabulous in their pyjamas - the teachers swapped classes at the end of the day and read their favourite book to the children.



Mr Hayes and I took some of our children to the swimming gala at Dover Leisure Centre today and I was very impressed with the excellent behaviour of our pupils - they all tried their very best and got through to the year 5/6 relay final. Well done!

We ended the week with a pantomime performance of 'A little princess' in the school hall. Year 5 have an hour long lesson next Friday to make up for the missed session today.
Have a lovely weekend

Fiona Crascall
Headteacher

Book Donations

As part of 'giving back' which featured in Children's mental health week a few weeks ago, we have decided to take part in a book donating initiative already proving life-changing for underprivileged South African pupils and their families: we will be donating unwanted books to underprivileged farm and rural schools in South Africa. In 2019, a record 1,420 boxes of books were sent to underprivileged schools in South Africa - only 7% of which have functional libraries. But there are still thousands of pupils who are illiterate, missing out on essential educational textbooks, or yet to discover a love of reading for pleasure. All you have to do is bring in your unwanted books and hand them to your class teacher who will pass them on to our wonderful librarian to be sorted. Any donation, large or small will be gratefully received!

PTFA Update

Frozen Friday today will include a pre-loved uniform sale. No set prices, just donations please but as a guide we suggest a donation of 50p for jumpers.

Date for your diaries! The Summer Fair will be on Saturday 4th July. This is the biggest event in the PTFA calendar and we start planning now. Watch this space for ways that you can help make it a fun and fantastic day. If you are having a clearout and have unused gifts, pocket money toys or good quality soft toys please think of your PTFA.

The PTFA team is Samantha Dunn, Alice Henderson, Bethany Barber, Carl Watson, Carole Cook, Ellie Silverwood, Katy Dobson, Nicol Trevellion, Samantha Daunoras and Zoe Brooks.

The C&K PTFA is a registered charity.

Attendance

Class	%
Robins - year 1	96.15
Magpies - year 2	96.84
Owls - year 3	98.85
Hawks - year 4	100
Eagles - year 5	98.33
Falcons year 6	97.50

Dates for your diary

Term 4	
Thursday 12 th March	Gifted and talented maths afternoon at St Richards for specific upper KS2 children - more details to follow
Monday 16 th March	Science Week - our theme will be 'What's in the sky?'
Tuesday 17 th March	Astrodome - Astronomy roadshow for the whole school starting at 9am
Wednesday 18 th March	Years 3 and 4 Ministry of Chocolate workshops
Thursday 19 th March	Year 5 at Voice in a Million
Monday 23 rd March	Bach to the future music assembly at 2pm. KS1 open afternoon after school.
Wednesday 25 th March	KS2 Easter experience at St Nicholas Church and KS2 open afternoon after school
Wednesday 25 th March	Active Health Umbrella training with specific pupils - more details to follow from Mr Hayes in due course
Tuesday 31 st March	End of term 4
Wednesday 1 st April	Staff INSET day - no children in school
Thursday 16 th April	Children back in school for term 5



Coronavirus

Please see attached the latest guidance - the children and any other person entering our setting must wash their hands/use hand gel upon arrival. Current advice remains in place - no school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England. A helpline has been launched to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Thank you for your support.