

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School

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Friday 19th October 2018 **Newsletter No: 6**

Dear Parents/Carers

We end the term with yet another busy week. On Monday we had the NSPCC in school as part of the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' campaign and they led a KS1 and KS2 assembly followed by workshops with years 5 and 6. It is really important that the children know who to talk to, in and out of school, if they have any concerns. As usual, the children behaved impeccably and asked thoughtful and reflective questions.



We have to say a huge well done to Bethany Davies in year 2 who attended a celebratory ceremony with the Kent Deaf Children's Society on Saturday and received an award for significant Educational Achievement - Mrs Maudlin and Mrs Cox were also commended for their work with her. I have to say, I watch Bethany every day and she never ceases to amaze me! Well done Bethany!

The children enjoyed their discos on Thursday - once again a huge thanks to the PTFA for their brilliant organisational skills and for giving up their time to benefit the children. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Festival today - as usual I was immensely proud of the children - their singing is definitely improving and they spoke clearly. It is important to remember others in the world who are not as fortunate as us, I will let you know the final figure we raised for WaterAid.

Have a lovely half term break - see you all on the 29th October.

Fiona Crascall

Headteacher

Phonics workshop for KS1 parents

There will be a phonics workshop for parents of children in year R, 1 and 2 on November 20th at 9am. This will be with Mrs Crascall. We will look at how we teach phonics in the school, how you can support at home and activities we do in a standard lesson. This is of particular relevance to parents in year 1 as the children have a statutory phonics screening in June 2019. Please just turn up on the day if you are interested - mums, dads and carers very welcome to attend.

Attendance

Class	%
Wrens	91.67
Robins - year 1	90.87
Magpies - year 2	92.22
Owls - year 3	99.38
Hawks - year 4	92.40
Eagles - year 5	99.20
Falcons year 6	94.40

School council update

We had our first school council meeting on Wednesday and their first job was to look at attendance.

Dates for your diary

<u>Term 1</u>	
Monday 29 th October	Children back in school.
Monday 29 th October	Year R and Year 6 - height and measurements with School Nurses
Wednesday 31 st October	Halloween dress up tag day - £1 donation for PTFA. Toffee apples on sale after school
Monday 5 th November	Mr Hayes on Jury Service for two weeks
Tuesday 6 th November	Year 5 at Canterbury Cathedral
Thursday 8 th November	Year 6 Harry Potter trip
Tuesday 13 th November	Parent/teacher meetings
Wednesday 14 th November	Parent/teacher meetings
Thursday 15 th November and Thursday 22 nd November	Open morning for reception parents - entry 2019

Tuesday 20 th November	Phonics workshop for parents and carers
Friday 7 th December	Christmas Fair - 3.30-5pm
Tuesday 11 th December	School Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 13 th December	Whole school pantomime trip - Jack and the Beanstalk
Wednesday 19 th December	Christmas Service at the Church at 1.45. End of term 2
Thursday 3 rd January	SCHOOL INSET DAY - CLOSED FOR PUPILS
Friday 4 th January	WOW day to launch new topics - start of term 3

Update from your PTFA

The PTFA hope the children enjoyed their disco. Once again the school hall was awash with glow sticks and glittery faces. What a great start to the half term break!

Straight after half term we have a TAG day (non-uniform, be as spooky as you like!) on 31st October. Bring a £1 or a tombola donation to school on the day. As a yummy extra there is a toffee apple sale straight after school that day too (£1 per apple).

Uniform bargains! For the first three Fridays of next term we will have a table set up by the entrance gate in the playground after school. The rate our little ones grow, there are lots of good quality hardly worn clothes. Grab what you need! 20p per item except jumpers which are 50p.

We are busy planning our quiz night on Fri 16th November. It is open to everyone in the village/community to come along and enjoy a light-hearted evening. £5 per person payable in advance. Please contact Debbie on 07932032540 or email candk.ptfa@gmail.com to reserve a table and then fill it with friends and family! Up to 8 people per table.

We are working on our Christmas events too; we love anything festive and look forward to our popular Christmas fair and Christmas gift day. More details in future newsletters.

If you would like to help at events and haven't already signed up please let us know and we will add you to our helpers list. Especially at the big events this list is much appreciated! Your time as and when you are able, even an hour before an event, can be invaluable.

Please remember that PTFA is a registered Charity & all money raised goes towards our school & the children.

CLUBS:

Apologies from Mr Hayes who will be away for 2 weeks next term after being called for jury service. Mr Hayes has already passed on jury service once before when the school was

undergoing significant staff changes last year, and therefore must attend this time around. The clubs will continue to take place as normal until the last week of this term, however some clubs will not start until the week commencing 19th November.

Please note:

Dance club will continue to run every Wednesday as normal.

Years 5 and 6 Football Club will start on 21st November and will continue to run every Wednesday until the end of term.

Letters for Years 1 and 2 Multi Skills Club will be handed out next week. This will start after half-term and will be run on Thursdays by Mrs Brice and Mrs Parker.

Years 3 and 4 Indoor Athletics Club will begin on Monday 19th November.

Join Our Breakfast Club!

Breakfast Club opens at 7.45 every morning during term-time. It provides convenient and high quality childcare for busy parents as well as providing a range of stimulating and creative activities in a safe environment. The cost per session is £4. Whilst at Club, the children are offered a variety of breakfast choices and can take part in many different activities to keep them busy until the start of the school day.

Poppy Appeal

Poppies are on sale in the School Office to support The Royal British Legion's charity work who help all generations of the Armed Forces and their families.

Data Collection Sheet

We still have a number of Data Sheets not returned. Please return them on Monday 29th October.