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

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Friday 18th November 2022

Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

Dear Parents/Carers

As usual the children and staff have been very busy in our school.

Anti-bullying week started with Odd Socks Day on Monday to celebrate the ways we are all different. The theme for this year was 'Reach Out' - a theme that empowered children to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. We thought about whether in the community or online, we can all reach out and show each other the support we need. Our pantomime on Tuesday 'Jack and the Beanstalk' taught the children that the giant was actually rather lonely and found it difficult to make friends – in the end he learnt how to be kind.

Maths week focused on the Power of 2. The children enjoyed the Times Table Rock Star day on Wednesday and looked great in their rock star costumes. They have taken part in a variety of virtual maths workshops and outdoor maths code breakers and challenges. A big thanks to Miss Brown for arranging all the maths week activities – the children have really enjoyed the week.

Please can Eagles and Falcons return their data sheets to Mrs Bailey in the office.

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend

Fiona Crascall Headteacher

#### Photos of the week









### Birthdays to celebrate

Fledglings Thomas



## School starters 🔉

If you have, or know somebody who has a child who will start school next year, please ring the school office to arrange an individual look around with me. Apply online at: kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions Opens Friday 4 November 2022 and closes on Monday 16 January 2023

#### PTFA update

#### Christmas Fair - Friday 9th December

By now you should all have received your raffle ticket letter – we've got some great prizes on offer this year so don't miss out on your chance to win! Today you should also have had a letter about visiting Father Christmas in his Grotto during the Fair, to secure your child's spot please get your slips to Mrs Bailey as soon as possible. If you have not received either of these letters, please let us know and we'll get them to you.

#### **Mystery Jars**

Please drop these off on the table by reception any day from Monday. For those new to Mystery Jars, it's a jar that you fill with fun/ tasty things for kiddies and then wrap up and hand into the school - it's a very popular stall so we need plenty! Ideally the jar(s) would be filled and wrapped, however, if you are unable to do this, we will still gratefully accept clean empty jars. The contents can be pretty much anything kiddie friendly, though we do have some restrictions to make you aware of: No nuts or choking hazards and factory wrapped/ bagged sweets only (thank you COVID!)

#### TAG day

Thank you so much for all your wonderful donations for the TAG day this week! Every child that donated an item has been entered into the 'VIP for the day' draw. The good news is that we are going to continue this competition on to our next TAG day, which will be held on **Friday 2nd December**! That means that if you donate again, you will get an additional entry into the draw – we will be announcing the winners by the end of the TAG day. A quick reminder that to enter the draw, we are asking for donations towards the Christmas Fair Tombolas and Raffle, and for (good condition) soft toys. On the 2nd, please hand your donations in to a committee member at the table by the Main Entrance so that we can enter your child into the draw!

#### Nativity costume & Winter Sale

We are going to hold sales of Nativity costumes, Christmas Jumpers and Winter Coats alongside Tuck Shop from next week. If you have any of these items that you can no longer use please donate them by handing them into Mrs Bailey in the School Office, and then come and check out the sale on Fridays after school and see if you can bag yourself a bargain before the Nativity performance and Christmas Jumper Day in a few weeks' time!

#### Christmas shop with Amazon Smile!

Many of you may have started on your Christmas shopping already so we just wanted to take this opportunity to ask you to support your PTFA by choosing Ash Cartwright and Kelsey as your charity with Amazon Smile. www.smile.amazon.co.uk. It costs nothing, you can sign up at any time in a few clicks - it's such an easy way to raise funds for your PTFA whilst shopping as usual.

#### About the PTFA

The PTFA is an integral part of the school community made up of teachers, parents 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 straight back into the school to benefit the children.



EYFS	Isla for her great effort in maths week adding numbers together and matching pairs.
Year 1 Robins	Willow for trying really hard on her counting in Maths week.
Year 2 Magpies	Max for hard work and perseverance with cracking the Math's code!
Year 3 Owls	Lucah F for challenging himself and working out a tricky maths problem.
Year 4 Hawks	Noah for his enthusiasm to solve any given maths challenge and then go on to set his own personal maths challenges! You have a fantastic work ethic and your resilience and determination to succeed is admirable! Well done and keep it up!
Year 5 Eagles	Tommy for putting an excellent effort into his maths challenges this week.
Year 6 Falcons	James for being such an enthusiastic and hardworking mathematician during Maths Week. You tackled all the challenges brilliantly and did your best. We are very proud of you!

## Attendance Award

Week Ending	Eagles Class	96.36
18/11/2022		

## Dates for your diary

2.12.2022	PTFA Tag Day
9.12.2022	Christmas Fair after school
13.12.2022	Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
14.12.2022	Nativity to parents 1.45pm – more details to follow
16.12.2022	Church Service at 1.30 and end of term 2
3.1.2023	INSET day - no children in school
4.1.2023	Children back in school for term 3 – WOW day