

Kempsford Church of England Primary School Weekly Newsletter

DATES FOR THE DIARY

11th October 2019

Dear Parents,

It has been busy over the past seven days. Mrs McKenna and Mr Field's classes enjoyed a great day at the Cheltenham Literature Festival and Miss Allanach's class experienced the workshops that were available at Slimbridge. Today, some children from Class 3 have been away on a writing day, thoroughly enjoying the work and company of a published author.

It is lovely to take time to not only thank all the adults who support these trips, but also the children. Whilst our children have been out and about, they have received comments from the general public as to how polite and well behaved they have been. Well done to all!

During the school year, we are hoping to be able to offer more trips and experiences to all of the children. To help with this, we do ask for parental support, both through financial contribution and assistance on the day. Without the voluntary financial contributions, the trips would not be able to run. I thank you in advance for your continued support so that we can offer even more experiences to the children.

Harvest festival was a huge success. On behalf of the local food bank, thank you for all the contributions. I believe that we received the largest amount this year compared to previous years.

We hope everyone has a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Fri 18th Oct The Daily Mile Big Day in school Maths Information Afternoon 3:30pm in the school hall w/c 21st Oct No Clubs all week Wed 23rd Oct Book Sale in school from 3:15pm Fri 25th Oct End of Term 1 at 3:15pm Sat 26th Oct Book Sale in Kempsford Church Mon 4th Nov Term 2 begins Tue 12th Nov **Parent Consultation Evening** Thur 14th Nov **Parent Consultation Evening** Wed 20th Nov **Immunisation Programme** Reception to Year 6 Wed 27th Nov The Hive & Class 1 Trip - Gloucester





Cathedral







RISE AWARD WINNERS

FS2 & KS1 Friday 11th Oct

RESPECT Class 1

IMPROVE Flo Gooch

SUCCEED Daisy Curtis

EXCEL Jackson Dickens

KS2

RESPECT Lila Jackson

IMPROVE Phoebe Marshall

SUCCEED Jack Whitlam

EXCEL Oliver Condon

HANDWRITING WINNERS

Friday 11th Oct

Class 1 Bobby Hook

Class 2 Shane O'Brien

Class 3 Will Manchester

MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL

The drumming teacher that visits the school on a Monday morning has spaces. For further details please pick up a leaflet from the school office.

RECRUITMENT

CATERLINK VACANCY

10 hour vacancy at Kempsford CoE Primary School (2 hours per day) 11.30am to 1.30pm

£8.21

Immediate start

For more details contact or to arrange an interview call Leza Bridgman-Flaherty on 07471 953468

CLASS 1

Class 1 loved their trip to Slimbridge; they had a lesson called 'What lives in a Wetland' where they went on a minibeast hunt, used special listening devices to hear different bird calls and improved their hearing by wearing blindfolds. They then had an opportunity to explore the rest of the area and the children really enjoyed playing in the Wellyboot Land! All children thoroughly enjoyed the trip and it was particularly lovely to have a member on the public comment on the exemplary behaviour of the children, they were a real credit to the School!

CLASS 2

Class 2 have had a busy two weeks! Last week we planned and wrote our 'Golden write' in literacy, writing informative texts about our favourite characters from the Jungle Book. On Friday we also had our first school trip to Cheltenham Literature Festival, we joined Class 3 and watched a talk with the author of 'How to train your Dragon' Cressida Cowell - it was amazing!

This week Class 2 have been having lots of fun learning all about volcanoes! We've learnt about the eruption of Mt Vesuvius in Pompeii, we've re-enacted the events of Pompeii, and Mr Field even erupted a model volcano for us!



CLASS 3

Following our visit to Cheltenham with Class 2 we have been enjoying some creative writing opportunities. Whilst some children attended an Able Writers workshop others wrote books. They wrote them for the children in the Hive and then read them to the children. Each child got to keep the story that was read to them.



COFFEE & CAKE FUNDRAISER & UNIFORM SALE

Thank you to everyone who contributed and purchased cake & uniform on Wednesday. We raised a fantastic £95.

PLANTS & SEEDS - RECEPTION CLASS

The school are looking for donations of plants or seeds of the following; spinach, cucumbers, carrots, tomatoes & lettuce.

We would also be very pleased to receive some flowering plants for our Peace Garden.



BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club runs every morning from 07:45-08:35 in the Ark, and costs only £2 per child for the session. Please book on ScoPay **in advance**.

WAKE & SHAKE

All children (and parents!) are invited to join Mrs Ballard at 8:30am in the school hall for a short Wake & Shake session. Children will then go straight into class at 8:40am to start the school day.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

If you do not order your child a hot school lunch via ParentPay in advance, please could you provide your child with a healthy packed lunch. The office print off the school lunch reports at 8:00am each morning, the teachers then check this with the children before the order is submitted to our kitchen. All children in EYFS & KS1 (reception and Class 1) are entitled to universal free school meals. (UFSM).

Please remember that your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) whatever class they are in. For further details please go to;

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After School Club runs every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:15pm - 5:15pm in the Ark. Each session costs £10 per child and £5 for a sibling attending the same session. The children will be given a healthy after school snack. If they require something more substantial this should be provided in a packed lunch style box. If you pick your child up late you will be charged a Late Collection Fee of £5 per 15 minutes. Please book on ScoPay in advance.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

DAY CLUB & YEAR

Tuesday Drama - KS2

Thursday Kitchen Club MyMaths Club

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS with Mrs Ballard

DAY SPORT & YEAR

Monday Multisports - Reception only

Tuesday Multisports - Class 2

Wednesday Multisports - Class 1

Thursday Multisports - Class 3

All <u>sports</u> clubs run from 3:15-4:15pm

Please be reminded that no clubs run the week commencing 21st October

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER

Service with a difference. You are invited to the Kempsford Village Hall at 9.30 am for a Taizé

Note there will be no services at either St Mary's, Kempsford or St Anne's, Whelford this Sunday

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER

9.30am Holy Communion at St Anne's, Whelford 4pm All Age Family service at St Mary's, Kempsford

SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER

Book sale in Kempsford Church - all donations for charity

SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER

9.30 am Holy Communion at St Mary's, Kempsford

TUESDAY 29th OCTOBER

All Souls' Service at 7:00pm on Tuesday 29 October when we remember all those who have died. If you have a loved one that you wish to be remembered do let either Rosemary or Nick Scott know.











