

Kempsford Church of England Primary School

School Newsletter

18th November 2022



Dear parents and carers,

Firstly, congratulations to all The Hive children for wearing their odd socks on Monday. This was to raise awareness for, Mental Health Week, which the children have thought about throughout this week.

In the past seven days, we have also raised awareness of two other worthy charities.

Last week, the school attended the memorial for Remembrance day. Leading up to Remembrance day, children were able to purchase rubbers, rulers, wrist bands and poppies to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. We received a letter today from Squadron Leader A M Hill (retired) who is the local organiser for the Poppy appeal. This year, we raised a record £195.36. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Today is Children in Need day. It has been great to see so many children wearing items and spots which symbolise the day. We have even had a full 'onesie' Pudsey Bear!

If you feel you could contribute something, please click on the link below to make a donation.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=9721>

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr. Mendum

Together, we will RISE

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Fri 25th Nov	Wyvern Theatre Trip - Reception and KS1
Mon 28th Nov	Barn Theatre Trip - KS2
Mon 5th Dec	The Long Table from 3:30pm
Tue 6th Dec	The Big 'Friends of Kempsford' Quiz - 7pm for 7:30pm start
Fri 9th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day 3:30pm Christmas Mini Fair in school

RISE AWARDS

Friday 11th November

RESPECT	The Hive and Class 1 - Aisling KS2 - George P
IMPROVE	The Hive and Class 1 - James T KS2 - Jackson D
SUCCEED	The Hive and Class 1 - Olive C KS2 - Phoebe M and Ruby W
EXCEL	The Hive and Class 1 - Archie J-E KS2 - Dylan W

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RESPECT	The Hive and Class 1 - Tobias P KS2 - Daniella K
IMPROVE	The Hive and Class 1 - Megan H KS2 - William G
SUCCEED	The Hive and Class 1 - Tobias G KS2 - Ben B
EXCEL	The Hive and Class 1 - Noah W KS2 - Mikey T



NUT FREE SCHOOL POLICY

We do have children in the school with **severe nut allergies**, so please check labels of food items very carefully to make sure that snacks brought into school **do not contain nuts**. If a child does have an item containing nuts, we will need to remove it from the classroom and provide them with fruit as an alternative to help keep all of the children safe, thank you for your cooperation with this.

PARKING

Please can we remind you not to park on the yellow zigzags outside school, or in front of the railings, at drop-off and pick-up. If there is no space on the road please use one of the car parks – the village hall or the car park off Hazel View.

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is held in the Ark from 7:45am. The cost is £3 per child for the session. Please could children be dropped off at the side gate (in the village hall car park)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After School Club runs Monday to Friday from **3:15pm - 5:15pm** in the Ark. Each session costs £10 per child and £5 for a sibling attending the same session.

Bookings for both clubs need to be made via ScoPay **in advance**

NATURE INSPIRED ART CLUB



Pudsey made from resources sourced around the school



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TERM 2 AFTER SCHOOL SPORT AND ARTS CLUBS

School Clubs begin week commencing 7th November and run until Friday 9th December

DAY ACTIVITY & YEAR

Monday KS1 Yoga 3:15-4:00pm (book direct www.atwestcottage.com)

Tuesday Reception and Class 1 Multisports
KS2 Nature Inspired Art Club
Both 3:15-4:15pm

Wednesday KS2 Football 3:15-4:15pm
Y1 to Y5 Maths Club 3:15-4:15pm

Thursday KS2 Multisports 3:15-4:15pm
KS2 Science Club 3:15-4:15pm
Y1 to Y6 Polish Club 3:15-4:00pm

Friday KS2 Yoga 3:15-4:00pm (book direct www.atwestcottage.com)

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Long Table Meal

Monday 5th December in the school hall, at 3.30pm for families (finishes 4.30pm), and 5.30pm - 7pm for everyone. Please let us know if you are planning to come, and if you have any dietary needs or allergies, on 07714 998247 / 01285 810954 / revkim-brown10a@gmail.com

CHILDREN IN NEED

It was lovely to see all the children in their own clothes today. Please be reminded that you can contribute to Children in Need via the link below:

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TOP TABLE FRIDAY

We celebrate students that have demonstrated fantastic manners during lunchtimes.



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SCHOOL LUNCHES

Remember all reception, year 1 and year 2 children can order a free meal every day. The cost for children in pre-school and KS2 is £2.36 per meal. Please remember all meals are cooked onsite by CaterLink. We actively encourage parents to book meals in advance.

Please can we remind parents not to book lunches after 8am on the day they are required.

MUSIC TUITION

GUITAR AND UKULELE

Mr Meade has places available for new instrumental music pupils. Small group and individual lessons are available. For more information, please contact Mr Meade guitar@davidmeade.plus.com

DRUMMING LESSONS

Lessons take place on Tuesday mornings with Kelvin in school. Please contact Lets Play for further information.

<https://letsplaymusic.co.uk/school-instrument-tuition-parents>

SINGING AND PIANO

Mrs S .Elliott BA PGCE ARSM LTCL has availability for piano and singing lessons. The lessons can take place in school every Thursday morning. Please contact Sharon directly for further details: shar_elliott@live.co.uk

THE KALEIDOSCOPE

This week the children have really enjoyed our sessions focusing on anti-bullying week. These have included designing our own odd socks to celebrate us all being unique, colouring in hands of kindness and having a circle time thinking of ways we can show care and compassion to one another. Our class marble jar is rising quickly and we are getting close to voting for our marble jar treat.

THE POD

This week the Pod have been set a kindness challenge in aid of anti-bullying week. As part of this we have been smiling more as smiling is contagious, saying please and thank you more, helping others tidy up, sending thank you notes and giving other complements. In our photo see the class with all their odd socks.

I know its early, but The Pod's Christmas stand at the Christmas Mini Fair is going to be a bottle tombola. If you have any spare full bottles that you would like to donate, please could you bring them into school.

THE PRIDE

This week year 5 students in the Pride have done a fantastic job representing the school and testing their skills during the 'Bikeability' course run by GCC. Each of the students has been challenged on their real time decisions while managing their bikes on the roads around Kempford.

We have had really positive conversations regarding anti-bullying week and steps that students can take to prevent or help all people involved.

In the run up to Christmas, the children are helping to prepare Christmas performances with a religious foundation. Any costume requirements will be notified with enough notice while being mindful of the financial implications at this difficult time, which will be kept to a minimum.