

Kempsford Church of England Primary School School Newsletter

16th December 2022



Together, we will RISE

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to some warmer weather, and of course, the festive period.

It has been a lovely week in school. It was a joy to see both Christmas performances this week, KS1 in the school hall and KS2 at St. Mary's Church. The children worked extremely hard to achieve what they did. Well done to all the children and thank you for making the events so well attended.

The week before, the Friends of Kempford organised and hosted our first Christmas Fair in three years. Thanks to everybody who arranged it and those who came to support the Fair, £581 was raised. This is a fantastic amount. The money raised will go towards funding new books for the children and some more comfortable, relaxing beanbag chairs for the school library.

Our next big focus for fundraising is some new playground equipment and further development of the pond area. We have started renovating this part of the school so that the children can use it for all sorts of outdoor Scientific studies and investigations.

Thank you again for your support. especially all the volunteers who give their time to support children in school with their reading and phonics.

From all the staff at school, have a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Have a lovely Christmas.

Mr.Mendum



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wed 4th Jan	First Day of Term 3 Breakfast Club and After School Club running - please use the gate beside the School Office <u>No After School Sports or Arts Clubs this week</u>
w/c 9th Jan	After School Sports and Art Clubs start
Thur 26th Jan	The Pod trip to the Corinium Museum
Tue 31st Jan	Friends of Kempford Crazy Bingo Night
Wed 8th Feb	The Pride trip to London
Fri 17th Feb	End of Term 3 Children's Valentine Disco



Friday 9th December

RESPECT	The Hive and Class 1 - Megan H KS2 - Alberto D-L
IMPROVE	The Hive and Class 1 - Viola N KS2 - Zac T
SUCCEED	The Hive and Class 1 - Ted C KS2 - Rylee M
EXCEL	The Hive and Class 1 - Oliver D KS2 - Fletcher H





DONATIONS

We are in need of board games and books for the Breakfast and After School Clubs. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

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. Next term's menu is ready to view on ParentPay. 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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is held in the school hall from 7:45am. The cost is £3 per child for the session. Please could children be dropped off at the front gate by the school office. Please ring the bell labelled breakfast club.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After School Club runs Monday to Friday from **3:15pm - 5:15pm** in the Library. Each session costs £10 per child and £5 for a sibling attending the same session. Please could children be collected at the front gate by the school office. Please ring the bell labelled ASC.

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

THE KALEIDOSCOPE

The children have had a wonderful final week of the school term, with the visit from Santa being quite the highlight! For those who were able to attend, I'm sure you will agree that the children gave an absolutely fantastic performance of Whoops-a-daisy angel and they all feel incredibly proud of what they have achieved, very well done to all! If you were unable to see the performance, we have uploaded a recording on the Kaleidoscope Teams page in the files section so it can be seen. I have also re-entered the Bug Club password so logins should hopefully now be working. If you are still having issues, let me know in the New Year and I will try to resolve the issue.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas!

THE POD

This week the Pod have been working hard to finish their Golden write about making fossils. They've also been enjoying getting excited for Christmas by sharing what each other's Elves have been getting up to, visiting Santa in his grotto and the KS2 carol performance.

I hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and New Years!

THE PRIDE

This term

It's been a fantastic term with a number of fabulous achievements from the children in the pride class. Our year 5's all passed their Bikeability course so are now able to identify hazards when out and about in the community on their bikes.

Yesterday children from the pride took part in the Christmas performance at the church. The attendance from parents was phenomenal and the children all performed fantastically. Some even performed in front of an audience for the first time and read their parts beautifully. Thank you to all that attended and helped raise money for the school by donating towards mulled wine and mince pies.

Next term

Just for clarification the class will be led by Mrs Dearsley on a Monday and supported by Mrs Clarke who is on the last part of her Teaching placement Tuesday to Thursday with myself in the classroom.

We hope you all have a fantastic festive period and look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 4th January