

Weekly News



'Together we achieve'

Kelvedon Core Values: *Respect *Caring *Co-operation *Perseverance *Honesty *Responsibility
Reverence Compassion Service Endurance Virtue Trust

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Making
Great
Memories

Our Vision is to create an environment where every learner has the opportunity to amaze us (Luke 2:33)

Good learners are: Responsible; Reflective; Resourceful; Resilient; Reasoning; Risk Taking

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week your PTFA delivered the children's own design Christmas Cards. I am sure that you will be able to enjoy them and send them to family and friends. Unfortunately, due to Covid, there will be no exchanging of cards at school this year. Thank you to Mrs Lawrence on the PTFA for co-ordinating this great activity. Over £400 was raised for the PTFA.

This week the children are enjoying a streamed Panto. Mrs D'Ovidio of the PTFA has organised this for free, in addition to rescheduling our live pantomime, also for free, in the New Year. We are so lucky to have a hard working PTFA that do so much for our children. Join me in thanking the whole of the team.

A PTFA flyer came to you this week inviting you to their Virtual Christmas Market on 5th and 6th December. Another great idea for finding a way to keep this tradition.

Last week children had flu vaccinations. On Friday 11th December the nursing team are coming back to pick up any children who were absent last Wednesday. Miss Burton has done a fabulous job in organising all of the vaccinations, and the annual photographs, in a Covid safe way – she has juggled so much to make this happen for which I am extremely grateful.

Yesterday Year 2 and Year 3 children made Christingles. Miss Hutley, the Church Links Team and Father Simon found a different way of delivering this lovely event and service as we were unable to gather in our traditional way. A resourceful team; well done everyone.

Mrs Openshaw who leads the Church Links Team has once again kindly made an advent crown for the school. This will be placed on our altar for all the children to see and their class teachers will explain the meaning and symbolism of it to them.

A new tradition that Mrs Openshaw has brought to the school this year is an advent Posada. This will also be placed on our altar for the children to see it. It is a nativity scene with stone counters, one to be removed each day up to Christmas Day. Again, we are so lucky to have such lovely volunteers who are finding so many ways to make things as normal as possible for our children during these times. Thank you Mrs Openshaw.

St Mary's Church have a market in the churchyard on Saturday 5th, 10:30 – 12:30. Do pop along and show your support if you can.

There will be a family service on Sunday 6th at 10:30. Craft bags for all children who attend.

As year 1 are self-isolating at the moment our screening of their Nativity with Year R will be delayed. The teams are hoping to have something ready for you to view on their blogs during the last week of term.

Mrs Hall and Mrs Hales, our woodwind teacher, have come up with a brilliant idea for the children who would normally play their instruments in the Church at Christmas. They have made recordings of each of them and they will go onto the blogs today. We have some very talented musicians in school and I am sure you will be suitably impressed. Join me in thanking Mrs Hall and Mrs Hales for coming up with this great idea.

On Thursday, 17th December we have Christmas dinner on the menu. Please book this through ParentPay as soon as possible.

Attached to this newsletter is a poster from ex pupil Jasmine Holland, inviting you to support her Bake Sale on Friday 11th December as she raises money for Meningitis Research Foundation. Jasmine is also climbing Mount Kilimanjaro to raise money. Please lend her your support.

Learning together, *M. Walsh*

PTFA: Easyfundraising is the simplest way to raise money for the school.

Please register to support us today - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/L3N4OP/>

The lottery winner for last week was Mr Harris, winning £6.00. If you haven't signed up yet visit our lottery here - <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kelvedon-st-marys-cofe-primary-academy>

Dates for your diary:

Last day of Autumn Term:

- Fri 18th Dec

Special events/days:

- Thu 17th Dec
Christmas Dinner and
Christmas Jumper
Day

Productions:

- YR+Y1 Screened Tue
8th Dec

Sharing assemblies:

- 27th Nov 6L

PTFA

- Wed 2nd Dec
Pantomime postponed
- W/B 30th Nov
Streamed Pantomime
- Mon 14th Dec
YR+Y1 Disco
- Tue 15th Dec
Y2+Y3 Disco
- Wed 16th Dec
Y4+Y5 Disco

What's on next week?

Jasmine Holland Bake Sale
Friday 2:45pm

Weekly Attendance Award Winners

KS 1:	RJ	KS 2: 6L	
			Overall Class Attendance
RJ	98.9%	3F	98.6%
RB	97%	3H	98.7%
1M	96.5%	4C	99%
1C	96.3%	4R	98%
2S	99.5%	5P	92.6%
2H	97.4%	5H	96.1%
		6L	98.3%
		6T	96.5%

Stars of the Week and Gold Book Honours

