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Weekly News

Respect	Caring	Co-operation	Perseverance	Honesty	Responsibility
Reverence	Compassion	Service	Endurance	Virtue	Trust

Head of School's Message

Happy New Year and welcome back to school after the Christmas break. I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful festive period. The children came back on Tuesday with smiles, enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn which was lovely to see. I have taken some time to wander around the school this week and I am very impressed to see how calm and focused the children are during their learning time. I have managed to chat with lots of children during lessons and at lunchtimes and they have been happy to show me how things are done here at Kelvedon St Mary's. They have made me feel very welcome!

This week, we have hosted the first of our parent/pupil Maths workshops for Y4/5/6, which have been very well attended. I have had some positive feedback from parents about these, which is great to hear. Hopefully these workshops are helpful for you to see how we teach Maths lessons and to learn a little more about our Maths scheme 'White Rose'. Next week we will continue with the workshops for the rest of the year groups and hope you will be able to join us for these.

This term we will be focusing on the school values of Perseverance and Endurance. Mrs Osborne started our assemblies off on Tuesday this week with thoughts about realistic New Year's resolutions and creating lasting habits to help us succeed with our goals and ambitions. This gave all of us lots of food for thought and has inspired me to try to drink more water!

Birthday wishes- I would like to wish the following children and staff a happy birthday for this week!

Leo 3PM, Rupert RB, Noah 5S, Annie RB, Jack 2M, Roman 1C, Mrs McCallum, Hannah 4B, Owen 2M

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Monday for another week of fun!

Anna Nottage

Academy Development

This week we have welcomed Mrs Nottage to the team as Head of School. Mrs Nottage will be responsible for the smooth operational running of Kelvedon St Mary's, while I continue to lead on the school's strategic development.

To enable you to gain a greater understanding about how our roles will work in practice, Mrs Nottage and I would like to invite you to a session linked to our vision for Kelvedon St Mary's. To maximise the number of parents and carers who are able to attend, we will host the same session on two different dates:

- 9am on Tuesday 24th January

- 9am on Monday 30th January

We will also share a version of our presentation electronically for those who are unable to attend in person.

Lois Osborne

Diary Dates

This week

- Tuesday 10th January – Yr1 Parent/Pupil Maths 9am
- Tuesday 10th January – Yr5 Swimming starts
- Wednesday 11th January – Yr2 Parent/Pupil Maths 9am
- Thursday 12th January – Yr3 Parent/Pupil Maths 9am

This term

- Friday 20th January – 5S Sharing Assembly 9am
- Tuesday 24th January – KSM vision meeting 9am
- Friday 27th January – Yr6 to Duxford
- Monday 30th January – KSM vision meeting 9am
- Wednesday 1st February – Yr2 to Chelmsford Museum
- Wednesday 8th February – Yr4/5 production 5.30pm
- Thursday 9th February – Yr4/5 production 3.30pm
- Friday 10th February – 2C Sharing Assembly 9am

Stars of the Week – These learners have demonstrated our school values.



Gold Book Honours – These learners have been building excellent habits of learning by consistently displaying one of our 6Rs:

Responsible	Resourceful	Reflective	Resilient	Reasoning	Risk-taking
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They have been awarded their bronze, silver or gold badge that they may wear with pride on their school uniform.



Safeguarding
We all have a duty to safeguard the children in our care and if the school suspects or knows that a child is at risk of significant harm, we will make a referral to Social Services. The school does not investigate any disclosures that children may make, we are a referring agency. Procedures on safeguarding from the Government make it clear that all staff should operate with an 'it could happen here' approach to any concerns they may have. If you have any concerns about a child please telephone the Essex Child and Families Hub on 0345 603 7627.