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Weekly News



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

Headteacher's Message

Without a doubt, this week, the highlight has been our Christmas performances from our youngest pupils. Well done to the children in nursery, reception and year one who bravely performed the Christmas nativity and songs in front of large audiences. There were so many smiley faces and confident singing voices which made the performances even more special. A big thank you to our teaching teams who have approached rehearsals with enthusiasm and ensured every child had a valuable part to play. Thank you also to the many parents, carers and friends who came to watch the children.

Last weekend Kelvedon St Mary's Church held a wonderful Christmas Tree Festival. I'm sure many of you will have seen our Christmas tree entry, which fitted the theme of recycling with decorations made from recycled materials. If you were unable to attend, we've included a picture of our entry within this newsletter. Thank you to members of the school choir and Miss Scotchford who entertained the crowds with a round of Christmas carols.

Next week, we have our special Christmas services scheduled for Thursday morning at the church. We would love for you to join us and have noted the timings for each class under the Diary Dates section of this newsletter.

Thank you to those who have already completed our parent questionnaire. If you have not already completed this, you will have received an email with a link to an online survey. We very much want to keep getting better at Kelvedon so we welcome your thoughts and ideas.

Our PTFA Christmas Fair is taking place today in our school hall immediately after school until 5pm. Please do come and join the Christmas fun!

Have a great weekend,

Lois Osborne

Diary Dates

Next week

- Monday 12th December – PTFA Panto for pupils, 1.45pm-2.45pm
- Thursday 15th December - Christmas Carol Candlelight Service, Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day.

9:30am service – RJ, 1H, 2C, 3J, 4B, 5C and 6L

10:30am service – RB, 1C, 2M, 3PM, 4F, 5S and 6T

- Friday 16th December – Last day of autumn term
- Friday 16th December – Open Door
- Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January – Christmas break

January

- Children return to school on Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Wednesday 4th January – Yr4 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Thursday 5th January – Yr6 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Friday 6th January – Yr5 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Tuesday 10th January – Yr1 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Tuesday 10th January – Yr5 Swimming starts
- Wednesday 11th January – Yr2 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Thursday 12th January – Yr3 Parent/Pupil Maths
- Friday 20th January – 5S Sharing Assembly
- Friday 27th January – Yr6 to Duxford

Excellent Punctuality

Excellent learners attend school on time! We celebrate punctuality. The classes with the top punctuality are noted below:

KS1: 1H, 2M

KS2: 3PM, 4F, 4B, 5S, 6L

Polite Reminder

Please enter the school building via the front office at all times. This will enable us to follow the necessary safeguarding procedures to sign parents and carers in and out correctly. Please refrain from entering classrooms at the start of the school day. If you wish to speak to a member of staff, an appointment can be arranged through the school office.

Apprentice Teachers

To enable our Apprentice Teachers to gain rich experiences of different schools, they complete placements at schools within and beyond Canonium Learning Trust. This term, we have hugely benefitted from Miss Barber's teaching and support in 3J and across the school. Miss Barber will be returning to her host school at the end of this term. We wish her well and thank her for all her hard work here at Kelvedon. In January, we will officially welcome back Miss Albone and Miss Rushen, who will be qualified teachers next term.



Our entry to the Christmas Tree Festival

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

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.