

KPS Weekly

21.12.23

Christingle

On Wednesday this week, our KS2 children walked to our local village church 'The Church of St Edmund King and Martyr' to take part in this year's Christingle service. The children blew us away with their readings, their understanding of what the christingles represent to Christians and their beautiful singing of some favourite Christmas hymns. As always, our children's behaviour shone. Their respect for Mother Sharon and the church itself was second to none - which was commented on by the parishioners present. We are so privileged to have such amazing young people at our school!

Superstar Readers

Well done to this week's group of children who have managed to achieve either their 'Fab 50' or 'Hero 100' for their home reads.

Fab 50: Tia, Emily, Logan and Lewis

Hero 100: Oliver H and Sophie

Well done everyone for your amazing home reading efforts! I wonder who will achieve their goal after Christmas?

Key Dates for the Year

Friday 22nd December - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day

Friday 22nd December - School closes for Christmas holidays

School re opens to children on **Tuesday 9th January**

Christmas Dinner

Thank you to Mrs Gibbons Lee and Mrs Piggot for once again planning a wonderful Christmas dinner. We look forward to celebrating this festive day tomorrow, when the whole school dines together.

Panto

Did we have a good time? Oh yes we did!

Our whole school enjoyed a fabulous production of 'Beauty and the Beast' at the theatre this morning. The children enjoyed joining in with the singing, taking part in the merriment and particularly enjoyed it when the dame took a liking to Mr Owczarek. A huge amount of fun was had by all!

Christmas Production

A huge 'well done' to the children for their shining performance of 'Do the Christmas Rock'. The confidence which was shown by all the children was incredible! Dancing, singing, acting - you name it, our children can do it! Thank you to those grown ups who were able to come and watch our children - we hope you were as proud as we were. Well done Team Kellington - you truly sparkled!

A massive 'THANK YOU' to our wonderful PTA who provided lovely refreshments, a chance to win 'front row centre seats' and a raffle. The behind the scenes fundraising the PTA are involved with truly help our children to be able to access wider experiences. This year, the PTA have bought each child's ticket to the pantomime. They are a fantastic group and we really appreciate everything they have done to support our children and involve our school community.

EYFS Christmas Stay and Play

A massive 'well done' to our youngest children in school for their brilliant Christmas song performance! Your singing and signing was amazing - we could tell you and your grown ups had been working really hard! Thank you to those adults who were able to join Class 1 for their performance and craft afternoon. We hope you had as much fun as the children did!

A word from the chair of governors...

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a very long term, and the first term for me as Chair; I wanted to say thank you.

Under the stewardship of Mrs Lawrence, we have seen a term of real progression - our teaching continues to strengthen and I was so pleased to see the fantastic improvements the children have made. I was able to see a selection of handwriting last week (as you know, one of our areas of focus) and the creativity, clarity and enjoyment was plain to see.

There is still much to do - ranging from solidifying our teaching programmes, adopting the best practice from across our partner schools and then continuing to improve the fabric and security of our estate. Our new classroom areas continue to get great feedback and other schools are coming to visit and see the changes we are making - I know that the new gate security was installed this week too.

It would be naive to say that times are not difficult for all of us, and as Governors we really understand the pressures that children and their families are under. We continue to commit to the Breakfast Clubs and I know that as parents and carers you really value this. Our attendance

numbers are continuing to improve and I would really like your help on that in the New Year - having children into school on time benefits them, our school and the other children.

I continue to work with the other governors at looking at additional funding streams to support our efforts, and exploring whether local businesses can help - any parents who are interested in helping with this can contact me directly.

And of course, we cannot continue to improve and be successful without our wonderful teachers and support teams at the School. They genuinely go the extra mile for our children and I continue to be humbled by their dedication and commitment to improvement, learning and welfare.

Finally, thank you to you as parents and carers. Your continued support is vital as we continue to improve. We are not there yet, but together, in 2024 I know we will strive further towards excellence in education for the children of Kellington.

Please have a wonderful holiday season with friends and families,

yours

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Best wishes

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Play in a week, baking and exploring the area
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A safe and inclusive space for all in the outdoors
- FLYING FUTURES**
High energy activities and calming crafts and creative outlets
- FOOTBALLERZ**
A fun and engaging sports camp
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- ORCHARD TREES CHILDCARE**
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If you are interested and would like support to complete the referral form, please speak with Mrs Hurd in the office.



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