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The children have had another great week at KPS however unfortunately we still have quite a few of the children and our staff team who are poorly and so once again we wish everyone well. As last week, we thank the children for being so adaptable to any staff changes we have had to make and thank you to my staff team for your continued flexibility and for keeping those smiles on your face. Actually, that is not that difficult as the children's attitude to their learning would bring a smile to anyone's face.

Children in Need

Today we have enjoyed celebrating Children in Need 2021 by donating money to wear our PJs to school. Thank you for your kind donations to this worthwhile charity. It has shown that 'together we can make a difference'

We had a CIN assembly this morning and the children have all contributed to us creating a giant Pudsey Bear using the artistic technique of pointillism as 'together we can'. Also within the classroom there have been other CIN themed activities. If you watch the CIN programme tonight, maybe you are like me and need a full box of tissues? It really brings home the true need for us to work together to make a difference for those children that need that extra help and support.



Anti Bullying Week

This week's Monday assembly was related to the Anti-bullying week theme of 'One Kind Word' and throughout the week we have been referring to this message as much as possible. Our usual Jigsaw (PSHE) lesson for all year groups, that is focussing on the termly theme of Celebrating Differences, was linked to the importance of Kind Words.

PTA

Next Friday Our Christmas Market is from 3.30pm on Friday 26th November.

As you will see from the flyer your child brought home this is going to be a fabulous event. **We do hope you will be able to support us and have some early Christmas fun with us.** It really is going to be something special. We would ask however that when attending this event you are mindful of social distancing even though we are outside.



The PTA would like a little support if possible before then. If you have any items you could donate for either the tombola or the teddy tombola we would be very grateful. These can be brought into school by Tuesday and given to your child's class teacher. We will also be hosting a Christmas raffle and therefore if you know of anyone or a local business who would like to donate a raffle prize please do let us know

The PTA has a Facebook Page that parents can join to keep up to date with all their news. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/678444229358277/permalink/1000713083798055/>

Please do not forget we also have a collection box for old ink cartridges in the entrance foyer. If you have any empty ink cartridges could you donate them to school as part of our fundraising. The preloved uniform is available to purchase at any time and donations of preloved uniform can be popped in the blue bin outside of school.

Wrap around childcare

Thank you to everyone who completed the previous questionnaire in relation to before and after school childcare at Kellington Primary School. As explained at the time, unless there was enough demand for this provision to pay for itself, we would be unable to provide it. Unfortunately, the projected demand did not allow us to progress further with developing this provision at the time.

We do however feel strongly that this is needed within our school community as there is little or no before and after school childcare for working parents. Hence a new questionnaire will be sent to all parents and we are exploring the possibility of an outside provider providing a service for our school community. Please can we ask that you complete the questionnaire when it is circulated so we can establish a true picture of need. Thank you.

Individual and family photos

Orders need to be in by Monday 22nd November for free delivery.

Parking and speed of cars as passing school

Unfortunately, **once again parents are using the layby to park in at drop off and pick-up.** Please unless you are a **Blue Badge Holder or official school transport** (taxi, school bus or coach) do not use the layby to park in at **any time throughout the school day.** Please also be considerate when parking on the roads around school. I know we are all busy people and getting children to school in the morning can be stressful, however let's be kind to our local community. We unfortunately have also reports of parents **exceeding the 20 mile an hour** speed limit outside of school at pick- up and drop off times. I am saddened and angry that this even has to be mentioned, but it isn't getting any better. We do need to get this in order and make drop and pick up times pleasant and safe for everyone . The last thing we want is anyone getting injured, especially through the lack of thought and respect from any of our parents.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Sunflowers - Frankie

Daffodils - Emelia

Roses - Logan

Tulips - Daisy

Lilies - Tilly



Houses

The winning house this week is **MARSH**

Parents and children before and after school

Again I am sad to have to say this again but please when you are bringing your child to school in the morning and at collection time, can you ensure they stay close to you and they are not running around the car park or the discovery zone. Despite our request and our caretaker Mrs Smith putting up some fencing, children on leaving school are still running behind the white doored shed in the carpark. Please can we ensure they stay on the path or the driveway. We will ensure classroom doors are open promptly at the beginning and end of the day. Many thanks for your cooperation with this matter.

Pantomime

You should have all received a letter about the pantomime. We have everything crossed that we are able to attend this on the 14th December. Please could you make your donation towards the coach cost and complete your child's consent before **Wednesday 8th December**. Any questions or queries please contact the office or Mrs Humphrys.

Performances

We are hoping that both the Lilies' Class Assembly and the Key stage 1 Christmas productions can go ahead with a live audience. As you have seen from the letter sent home in relation to the production, we are ticketing the event and we are only allocating two tickets per performance to each family so we can keep everyone as safe as possible. We will also record the event, so those that can not attend can view it.

Please can we ask that only two adults per family attend Lilies class Assembly on 3.12.21 and that adults attending wear a mask.

Many thanks for your understanding and support

Uniform

Please can we ask that you put your child's name in their uniform. We are still finding jumpers, shorts, shoes etc around school without names and often there doesn't appear to be anyone missing them. Also having your child's uniform named helps prevent the wrong person going home in it!

PE Kit

PE kits need to come into school on a Monday and go home on Friday for washing. We are



continuing to do PE as much as possible outside and we will be continuing to complete the Golden Kilometer throughout the winter as often as possible

School meals

Thank you again for pre-ordering your child's meals through Parentpay. This is a real help as we then know what you have chosen is something they like and we can, if needed, encourage them to eat. We are trying very hard to always provide the menu on the system however unfortunately we do sometimes have issues with our deliveries and the menu has to change. Our relief cook apologises profusely but it is out of her hands.

Morrisons' Good to Grow scheme

We have signed up to this scheme and therefore if you shop at Morrison's we would value your support. You can help, without really doing anything other than your normal shop. As we have such an amazing outside space here at Kellington we are really keen to ensure we utilise it to enhance the children's learning experience.

Attendance

Please continue to ensure that your child comes to school everyday that they possibly can.

We are working extremely hard to enable all the children to not be disadvantaged by their lost learning due to the issues over the last 18 months and therefore they need to be here, in school, for us to be able to support them to be the best they can be .

Please can I remind everyone to inform us promptly if your child is absent from school, we do need a message via telephone or email as early as possible, by 9.30 am at the latest, however sooner is preferable. If we do not hear from you we have a duty of care to make contact to establish where your child is. We will keep ringing you until we get a reply. If we don't get a reply we could have to report your child as a missing child.

We know this is sometimes difficult but whenever possible please try and make any appointments outside of school hours, or at the beginning or end of the school day.

Attendance this week (Friday-Thursday)

Lilies - 94.01% Tulips - 92.62% Roses - 96.67% **Daffodils - 97.14%** Overall - 94.87%

Keeping children safe: Covid 19-

Please can I remind you that if your child or anyone in the family shows any of the following symptoms you should seek a PCR covid test ASAP

A new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell. Please then follow the guidance in relation to isolating given by Track and Trace. Do inform school if your child tests positive or if they are advised to isolate.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please do contact the school for further information on how to check your eligibility and apply. Even if your child is in KS1 and is currently receiving a universal free school meal, if you are eligible for FSM it is really important that you apply, as there are still additional benefits for your child.

Flu Vaccinations

You should have already received information on how to book your child's flu vaccination in school on the morning of **Thursday 9th December**. We would like to encourage children to take up this opportunity, if they have not accessed a flu vaccination via another source. For children the flu vaccination is not an injection, but a liquid squirted into the child's nostril which does not cause discomfort.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 26th November 3.30pm - Christmas Fair **Please come and support us**

Friday 3rd December - 9am Lilies' class assembly **Live audience but only 2 people per family**

Tuesday 7th December (9.30am) Wednesday 8th December (9.30am) and Thursday 9th December (2.15pm) Sunflowers, Daffodils and Roses Christmas performance.

Please can Sunflower children come back to school at 1.30pm on Thursday 9th December for the performance

*We have added a third date for the performance as we are going to ticket the performances. The tickets will be free of charge but numbers will be limited at each performance in order to keep everyone safe. **This will have a live audience (ticket only) and be recorded.***

Monday 13th Christingle Service 2pm -more details to follow. Father Mike has kindly agreed to return to support us with this service. **This will go ahead, however it will only be one person per family who can attend to ensure there is enough space in church. Masks to be worn please.**

Sunflowers are very welcome to attend with a parent.

Tuesday 14th December Whole school trip to the pantomime in Doncaster.]

Donation for coach travel and consent completed by Wednesday 8th December please via parentpay

Thursday 16th December - Christmas dinner

Sunflowers are welcome to stay for Christmas Dinner. We will supply details next week.

Friday 17th December - School closed until the Wednesday 5th January

Wednesday 5th January 2022 School reopens. Young Voices concert.

I can't believe how quickly we are racing towards Christmas. Three weeks completed and four to go. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy your family time together.

Take care and kind regards,

Helen Humphrys

Headteacher.

