

# KSF AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

October 2018

## CHAIR - LEANNE WOODWARD (GROSE)

Welcome to our first Kea School Friend's newsletter of the school year. I am delighted to be taking on the role of Chair within Kea School Friends and am looking forward to another successful and exciting year of fundraising!

Following our Kea School Friends AGM in September we are very happy to welcome several new members to our wonderful team.

This year, one of my main aims as Chair, is to continue our wonderful and much needed fundraising activities. I am delighted to welcome new and previous members, and this year, as well as hosting some fantastic events, I will be looking at new ways to increase the amount of funds we can raise within Kea School Friends, working with businesses,

looking into grant funding and exploring, as a registered Charity, what other opportunities there are available.

I am keen to maintain the good relationships within our community, working together with Kea Pre School, Kea Church and local Scout groups.

My hope is that we can engage with parents and ensure we have a fun environment where parents and carers have the opportunity to contribute to Kea School Friend activities without the commitment of becoming a member or going to meetings.

We will be working closely with Ms Warren and the school staff to ascertain their needs and see where and how we can support

our wonderful school.

This is going to be an **exciting** year, with many fantastic events, lots of ways for parents and children to get involved and I will be working hard to lead a dedicated team of volunteers, strengthening our Charity and increasing funds to support our school and in turn, benefit our children and their learning experience at Kea.

Thank you all for your continued support of Kea School Friends and we are looking forward to another successful year.

Leanne Woodward (Grose)

### Personalised Christmas Cards and Gifts

This year we will once again be inviting all children to design their very own Christmas Cards! Personalised Cards have been a huge success in the past and this year parents will also have the opportunity to purchase other personalised items, including mugs, fridge magnets, wrapping paper, gift labels and thank you notes.

Design packs will be sent out to all children shortly with the aim of orders being placed in plenty of time for Christmas.



### Wrapping Room 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> November

The wrapping room is returning again this year. For those that didn't take part last year, the children are invited into a classroom during lunchtime on a designated day where they can select gifts for mums, dads, grandparents and other special people in their lives, wrap them and write their personal name tags. Gifts will range from £1 - £5. We would love to have some parent helpers this year to help the children during this event – we will be asking for volunteers on FB or you can make yourself known to your class rep.

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### Special points of interest:

- The new 18/19 KSF Committee have been voted in at the AGM held on 17 September
- Next Tuck Shop—Friday 2nd November
- keaschoolfriends@outlook.com

Contact KSF in the playground, via the correspondence box in reception or email us  
keaschoolfriends@outlook.com

For details of the Committee and Class Representatives please see the playground noticeboards

### **Wear what you like to school Day 29<sup>th</sup> November**

The children are invited to wear what they like to school for the day in return for a gift to use at the Christmas Fayre Tombola. Ideas include boxes of chocolates, small toys, wine – items can be suitable for children or adults. Items need to be brought into school on the 30<sup>th</sup> and can be left in reception or given to class teachers.

### **Christmas Disco—19<sup>th</sup> December**

More details will be made available nearer the time.

### **Monthly Tuckshops**



We are trialling a new way to manage the monthly tuckshops starting in November.

Usually tuck shops are held on the last Friday of the month, but there are a few exceptions due to other events and commitments. Each month has now been allocated to a year group, the class rep will coordinate the baking of cakes, cookies etc and also the “manning” of the event. If you are able to help at all please do speak to your class rep.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Year 2

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Year 1

### **Christmas Fayre—7<sup>th</sup> December**

Activities and tables have now been allocated to year groups and we are in for some NEW and exciting changes this year - more games, refreshments and the addition of [live] entertainment! Class representatives will be asking parents for help to man the stalls to ensure the event is a huge success.

## **How can you help Kea School Friends?**



Do you have a skill you want to share with Kea School Friends – whether it's a passion for baking cakes, an avid crafter or perhaps you're great at making something we could sell at an event – we would love to hear from you.

Contact your class rep or email us at the address below.

Working for a company that can sponsor part of an event? Does your company match fund for charity funding? If you own a business or work for one that would like to become more involved please speak to a member of the KSF Committee.

In recent years we've had sponsored football kits, beer tents at the summer fete and companies donate things such as paper plates, napkins etc for events. We are always looking at ways to work with local companies.