



KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

- 9th Dec – Acorn Hi 5 Netball Tournament (Y 5/6)
- 16th Dec – Nativity Play (1.30pm)
- 17th Dec – Nativity Play (6pm)
- 18th Dec – Summer Class Carol Concert (6pm)
- 20th Dec - Christmas Service (9.30am)
- 20th Dec – Last day of school (12pm finish)
- 6th Jan – TD Day
- 7th Jan – Children return to school
- 10th Jan – FOKS Pantomime

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Eloise for being Star of the Week for super listening. Barney for being Star of the Week for setting a good example. Amelia, Edward & Charlotte for super effort at cursive writing.

Spring: Handwriting awards for Tyler, Isla G, Harrison (Yellow), Ruby (Red), Seren, Elsie, Lucy & Martha (Green).

Summer: Farrell, Louie & Thomas Q for bringing a super attitude to their learning.

Autumn: Darcy, Jess, Emily & Chloe for great biography writing about Tim Peake.

Message from the Head

Earlier this year we raised a significant amount of money to help towards the Church’s building appeal, through the sponsored events that each class ran and a generous donation from FOKS following the Scarecrow Trail. As well as wanting to contribute as part of the community in the village and through our strong links with St Leonard’s, we explained at the time how the school and children will directly benefit from the proposed adaptations to the Church. As a flexible open area will be created at the back of the nave, which we are being welcomed to use as an alternative learning space. Plus of course, the addition of a toilet!

The building work is all set to start on 6th January 2020, and it is hoped that it will be completed within 12 weeks which takes us to 20th March. There will be some disruption during this period which will impact on all of us who form the school community. In particular we are being asked to ensure that **no cars park in or drive down School Close, or use the entrance of the road as a turning point** during this time. We understand that this will cause additional complexity at drop off and pick up times. But we ask for your understanding and support, in order to keep all members of our community safe and enable the work to take place as efficiently as possible in the Church.

In order to help with this, we would suggest the following things:

- If you need to turn around in the village, use the end of Martins Road at the stocks as a safe place to do this.
- Consider a ‘one-way’ route through the village during this time.
- Make use of the bus as much as possible for those families who live in Bulkington, Great Hinton and Steeple Ashton.
- Lift share if you have to use a car to get your child to and from school.
- Use the ‘rolling drop’ run by Mrs James in the morning to prevent the need for parking.
- Keep your time at school before and after drop off and pick up times to a minimum.

We understand that this will mean that there will be more cars parking along Main Street during this time. We are being asked to continue to keep the stretch of road in front of the school clear to maintain a passing space for traffic, so we will keep putting out the cones every day. We appreciate you respecting this as a no parking zone. And we ask you to continue being considerate when parking in the village. We know that it will require extra patience from us all as we are inconvenienced by the disruption to our normal routines, and we are very grateful to you for this. It will be exciting when the work is all complete and the school can take advantage of the extra space we can use in the Church.

House points			
Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
949	982	903	942

Uniform

Just a little reminder for children to be wearing the correct uniform in school every day – white polo shirt, school jumper/cardigan, grey trousers/skirt/shorts/pinafore, plain grey socks for boys, plain white or grey socks for girls, plain grey or red tights for girls, and black school shoes. Thank you for your support with this.

Parent Volunteers

We are wondering if anyone has a spare hour or two in an afternoon each week, and would like to spend that time hearing children read in school... It is incredibly beneficial for some children to read 1:1 with an adult as much as possible, and this is something that is very difficult for teachers and TAs to achieve in amongst everything else they need to do every day. If you are interested please let Mrs Hermon know. She is hoping to run a short training session in the new year for anyone who kindly offers to help, so if you are not sure that you feel confident in what would be required of you please don't let that put you off. Thank you very much.

Christmas Service

Please note that this will take place at **9:30am on Friday 20th December** not Thursday 19th as we had said previously. Many apologies for our error in this regard. Children will be coming back to school after the service for the remainder of the morning.

Christmas Dates

Monday 16th December – Nativity Play (Winter and Spring Classes) 1:30pm in the Church, FOKS will serve refreshments in the Church from 1pm.

Tuesday 17th December – Winning House Celebration. Children who are part of the house that has won the house point competition this term are allowed to wear non-uniform clothes to school and will take part in a special treat activity in the afternoon.

Tuesday 17th December – Nativity Play (Winter and Spring Classes) 6pm in the Church. Children to be dropped at school at 5:30pm, FOKS will serve refreshments in the Church from 5:30pm.

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Concert (Summer Class) 6pm in the Church. Children to be dropped at school at 5:30pm, FOKS will serve refreshments in the Church from 5:30pm.

Thursday 19th December – Christmas Jumper Day. Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper to school on this day instead of their school jumper, the rest of their clothing should be uniform as normal. We will be collecting donations in the morning for the Save The Children Appeal.

Thursday 19th December – Christmas Lunch in school.

Friday 20th December – Christmas Service at 9:30am in the Church. Children will return to school following this.

Friday 20th December – School closes at 12pm. Buses will run at this time.

Tuesday 7th January – Children return to school.

PH Sports Clubs

Thank you very much for all of you who took the time to complete the questionnaire regarding PH Sports after school clubs. Having your thoughts and input has been invaluable. As a result, next term PH Sports will be running a Netball and a Tennis club after school for us. They have yet to decide which club will be on which day and we will let you know as soon as they have informed us.



Life at Keevil over the past two weeks!