

# KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## Up-coming Dates:

- 25<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children’s Flu Vaccinations
- 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Read, Write, Inc. Spelling Information session for parents (Y2-Y6)
- 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – Mrs Hermon visiting St Mary’s bus stop
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Key Stage 2 Coffee Morning
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – FOKS Winter Disco (4.30-6pm)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Acorn Hi 5 Netball Tournament (Y 5/6)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity Play (1.30pm)
- 17<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity Play (6pm)
- 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – Summer Class Carol Concert (6pm)
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Service

### In our Good Learning Book this week:

**Winter:** Eli for being Star of the Week. Aurelia, Hester, Barney, Eli, Lottie, Charlotte, Edward & Leo for their effort and diligence in handwriting. Jack, Remy, Owen & Charlotte for writing super words on their own.

**Spring:** Ethan, Oscar W, Isla T, Alex, Isla G, Eli, Oskar J, Ruby, Bertie, Rhys, Tyler & Martha for passing their 99 clubs. Rhys & Toby for gaining their Yellow Handwriting Certificate.

**Summer:** Alex for beautiful descriptive handwriting. Nieve for accepting a Maths challenge.

**Autumn:** All of Autumn class for a brilliant sharing assembly.

## Message from the Head

It is hard to escape the fact that the festive season is fast approaching, especially in school where a number of members of staff have got very excited about ordering sparkly supplies for all the crafts they have planned! But in amongst the excitement, fun and anticipation, we want to make the time to remember the meaning behind Christmas and the fact that it can be a lonely and difficult time of year for some people. Therefore we will be running the Reverse Advent Calendar again that we started last year, as a means to think about and give to others. During this time each child will be given a particular day on which they are welcome to bring in a donation for the Storehouse Food Bank in Trowbridge. The food bank welcomes donations of store cupboard staples (packets and tins of food), plus treat items for the festive season (biscuits, cakes, sweets etc.). They are also very keen to receive toiletries and cleaning products such as washing powder. We will be running the Reverse Advent Calendar between Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, which will enable us to have time during the last week of term to transport all the donations to the Food Bank. Class teachers will be organising the rota of which day each child’s donation can be brought into school and these will be collected to make class hampers, so look out for a note from them. Many thanks in advance for your support of this worthy cause.

We have also been pondering the environmental impact of certain aspects of Christmas celebrations, in particular Christmas cards. Therefore we are encouraging children this year to just write one card to their whole class which we will display in school, rather than individual cards for everyone. We will put the post box out in the last week of term (Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December onwards) for anyone who is desperate to send more cards. But maybe this is an opportunity for you to have a conversation within your family about waste and recycling, and what we can all achieve by working together.

## Children in Need

Thank you so much for all the amazing contributions to the cake competition last Friday. We raised an amazing £290.07 Well done to our winners:

	INFANTS	JUNIORS
1st Place	Ruby Walden	Isobel Carroll
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Matilda Suggitt	Isaac Wright
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Edward l’Anson	Farrell Banfield

And congratulations to the Wilson family (Scarlet YR) for being awarded the prize for the best adult cake.

House points			
Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
664	656	597	639

## Spelling Information Evening

We are running an information session for parents of children in Y2 to Y6 on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 5:30pm in school. We will be explaining and showing you the new spelling scheme we are using in school, and giving you ideas of how you can support your child’s learning in this area at home. Spelling can be a very tricky part of writing for a large number of children, and any help you can give at home is invaluable for your child’s progress. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

## FOKS 2020 Calendars

The calendar 'art workshops' were great fun and a huge success! The calendars will be going to print very soon. Order Forms were sent home with the children this week. Calendars cost £8 each. Please send completed Order Forms and payment to the school office ASAP. Thank you

## FOKS Winter Disco

The FOKS Winter Disco will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 4.30pm – 6pm. It will be held in Steeple Ashton Village Hall and will involve all the usual festive fun that the Winter disco entails. Entry will be £4 and include entrance, pizza, a drink, a donut, glitter tattoo and chocolate coins. We look forward to seeing you there!



**Children In Need Cake Competition Winners 2019**