



King's Cliffe Endowed Primary School

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Tea-Time Talk

Our school value of the fortnight is TOLERANCE. Please take some time to talk to your child about the importance of accepting the beliefs and behaviours of others and to celebrate our differences.

This Week's Good News

Year 5 had a stargazing evening last Friday and what a fantastic evening it was. Mrs Yeo arranged for three astronomers to come along with their telescopes for the children to use. They were blessed with a crystal clear sky enabling the children to get a really good look at the stars, the constellations, including the Pleiades, and the Andromeda Galaxy. The children also enjoyed some hot chocolate and hot dogs/vegie dogs to help keep out the cold.



We had our traditional tree decorating event on Monday where the children got to put their amazing baubles on the tree in the school hall. Thank you again to those parents and grandparents who came in to help the children with their baubles. Each class chose a value as the theme for their baubles: Pre-school chose Perseverance, FS chose Understanding, Y1 chose Cooperation, Y2 chose Respect, Y3 chose Kindness, Y4 chose Resilience, Y5 chose Love and Y6 chose Diversity. I think you will all agree, they did a fantastic job and the tree looks amazing.

On Tuesday this week, we were very lucky to have Paul Sturgess spend the day in school. Paul, who measures in at an impressive 7'8" tall, used to play basketball professionally for the Harlem Globe Trotters in America and now works as an actor and also visits schools to hold basketball workshops. Paul talked to the whole school in assembly about working to achieve your goals and never being deterred. The children found him incredibly engaging and each class also enjoyed a basketball workshop during the day.



Reverend Davies came into the school assembly on Wednesday and talked to the children about Advent and important messages associated with Christmas.

Christmas Performances

If you haven't already sent back your slips requesting tickets for the Christmas performances, please ensure that you do so as soon as possible as we would hate for you to miss out. Mrs Evans will let you know, hopefully on Monday, when the remaining tickets will be made available on a first come first served basis.

Although we will not be issuing tickets for the Pre-School and Foundation Stage performance, we do need an idea of numbers so would appreciate it if you could complete and return the form to school as soon as possible.

Please remember to send in your child's costume by Friday, 13th December. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Monday, 9th Dec

One Touch Football for Yrs 1-2 & 3-6 @ 3.25-4.25

Tennis Club for Yrs 2-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Kids4Fitness for Yrs 1-2 @ 3.30-4.30

Homework Club for Yrs 1-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Tuesday, 10th Dec

Y4 Titanic Workshop

Gymnastics Club for Yrs 1-2 @ 08.00- 08.45am

Coding Club for Yrs 1-3 @ 3.30-4.30

Christmas Craft Club for Yrs 1-2 @ 3.30-4.30

Gymnastics Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Wednesday, 11th Dec

Guitar Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Bridge Club for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Thursday, 12th Dec

Kids4Fitness for Yrs 3-6 @ 3.30-4.30

Friday, 13th Dec

PFA Christmas Fair

Future Dates:

Tuesday, 17th Dec

Christmas Jumper Day, Lunch & Panto

Wednesday, 18th Dec

Years 1-6 Christmas Production @ 6pm

Thursday, 19th Dec

PS & FS Christmas Production @ 10:30

Years 1-6 Christmas Production @ 6pm

Friday, 20th Dec

School Closes for Christmas @ 3.25pm

Tuesday, 7th Jan

School re-opens to pupils

A Note from the PFA

The Christmas fair is just a week away now, we hope you are as excited as we are! We have lots of treats in store and are aiming to make it a fun, magical and eventful evening so be sure to come and support the school and PFA.

We are still collecting tombola donations and, whilst we appreciate that it is already an expensive time of year for everyone, if you are able to donate anything we would be extremely grateful. A big thank you to the people who have already kindly donated items.

We still have spare raffle tickets waiting to be sold & as you may have seen we have lots of prizes to be won so please dig deep. If you would like to purchase more, please see the school office or Hannah Gossage & Claire Singer will have them on hand to sell before and after school.

Extra hands are always welcome at the Christmas Fayre so if you think you may be able to help in anyway, please email kcespfa@gmail.com or speak to any PFA members.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and we hope you have a lovely weekend!

Christmas Lunches

Tuesday, 17th December is our Christmas jumper day and we will also be serving Christmas Lunch that day, followed by a Panto in the afternoon. If ordering a lunch for your child on 17th December, please note only a Christmas lunch is available that day, either roast turkey or a vegetarian alternative. No other lunches are available that day so if your child does not want a Christmas lunch, please ensure that you send them into school with a "festive" packed lunch.

As the kitchen is serving a roast on the Tuesday, the shepherd's pie will be served on the Wednesday.

PFA Christmas Fair

Please remember to come along and support the PFA Christmas Fair next Friday, 13th December. It promises to be a fun-packed evening for children and parents alike.

Polite Request

It has been brought to our attention that sometimes parents like to bring treats to school when collecting their children at the end of the day. As you know, we are a Healthy Eating School and, in line with our Healthy Eating Policy, we would politely ask parents to wait until they leave the school grounds to give their children a treat. Furthermore, some parents who prefer not to give their children treats between meals have commented that they are finding it difficult at the end of the day when their children see others getting treats after school. We would kindly ask you to bear in mind also that some children do suffer from allergies or intolerances and handing out treats is not always appropriate. Therefore we would very much appreciate your support in waiting until you are off school grounds before giving your child their treat or snack. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Mobile Phones

Can we politely request that, as part of our safeguarding, parents do not use mobile phones whilst on school grounds. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Dates for the Diary

In order to give families as much warning as possible please find a list of the all the events that are planned in our diary. Please note that dates and times may be subject to change. Further details will follow as we get closer to the event.

Please note changes and new dates have been marked in green/bold/underlined

January 2020

3rd—Teacher inset day
6th—Teacher inset day
7th—School re-opens to pupils
22nd—Year 2 Class Assembly
30th—Watoto Children's Choir Concert

February

3rd—Individual School Photos
6th—Year 1 Class Assembly
14th—School closes @3.25pm for half term
24th—School re-opens to pupils

March

5th—World Book Day
11th—Year 3 Class Assembly
16th—Whole School Photo
16th—Parents' Evening - Early
18th—Parents' Evening - Late
25th—Year 4 Class Assembly
w/c 30th—Oundle Festival

April

3rd—School closes @3.25pm for Easter break
20th—Teacher inset day
21st—School re-opens to pupils

May

8th—Bank Holiday—school will be closed
4th—Year 2 SATS begin
11th—Year 6 SATS begin
21st—May Pole Festival
22nd—School closes @3.25pm for half term

June

1st—School re-opens to pupils
8th—Phonics Screening begins
15th—18th—Years 3 & 4 Residential
18th—Primary Dance Festival at The Cresset
24th—FS Class Assembly
26th—Sports Day

July

3rd—Back up Sports Day
10th—TASC Enterprise @ 3pm
14th—Leavers' Performance @ 1.30pm & 6pm
17th—Leavers' Church Services @ 9.30am



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