



# King's Cliffe Endowed Primary School

## *Growing a Love for Learning*

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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

PFA Christmas Fair last Friday was very well attended and a great time was had by all. Thank you to the PFA and all those involved for their hard work and for making it such a successful event.

We had a wonderful day on Tuesday, getting into the festive spirit with our Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and a festive pantomime, Dick Whittington, in the afternoon. We raised a very impressive £188.00 for our school charities, Asthma UK and World Wide Fund for Nature. Thank you to the PFA for paying for the pantomime.



Thank you for the overwhelming support from parents and extended family who came along to enjoy our Christmas productions for both Early Years and Years 1-6 on Wednesday and Thursday. We are sure you will agree that the children were truly wonderful. Mrs Bowyer and the staff very much appreciated the positive feedback and kind remarks received after the performances. We raised a fantastic £574.00, so thank you for your generosity.

We are delighted that we had 100% parent consultations this term. Thank you and we hope that you found it useful.

This week has seen the much anticipated Kings Cliffe's Got Talent event in KS2. Everyone who took part showed some fantastic talent. The winners for each year group are Annabella Hobby in Y3 with a musical gymnastics turn, in Y4 Seb Fox who played the piano and Freya Laird who sang, in Y5 Lacey Payne and Penelope Crowson who performed a rap and in Y6 Olivia Field who sang. Well done to everyone who took part.

### A Note from the School Council

Autumn Term Update - December 2019

The School Council have been very busy since the start of the school year in September so we wanted to take the opportunity to update you with some of the activities we have been involved in.

At the start of the year, the School Council decided which charities the school would support this year. After discussion and a vote, it was decided we would support the Asthma UK and WWF charities. On 15th November, we organised a charity pyjama day for Children in Need and raised a total of £192.60. During week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> November, the School Council ran a Healthy Snack Shop selling a variety of healthier snacks. The shop was run during playtimes on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and raised a total of £86.66 for our chosen charities. This week, we all enjoyed wearing our Christmas jumpers and raised a further £188.00 for our charities.

As well as all this fundraising, we have updated the Healthy Lunchbox Policy and the Anti-Bullying Policy. We shared the updated policies with all children during assembly time and the policies were also sent out to parents via Parentmail.

### Diary Dates

#### **Future Dates:**

**Tuesday, 7th Jan**

School re-opens to pupils

**Wednesday, 22nd Jan**

Y2 Class Assembly

**Monday, 20th Jan**

Y3 Dark Ages Workshop

**Friday, 24th Jan**

Y5 Catherine of Aragon event @ P'boro Cathedral

**Wednesday, 29th Jan**

Kung Fu Workshop for Chinese New Year

**Thursday, 30th Jan**

Watoto Children's Choir Concert

**Tuesday, 4th Feb**

Chinese Painting Workshop for Chinese New Year

**Wednesday, 5th Feb**

Y4 Candelmas @ St Peter's Church, Oundle

**Thursday, 6th Feb**

Year 1 Class Assembly

**Thursday, 13th Feb**

Individual School Photos

**Friday, 14th Feb**

Mental Health Awareness Day  
School closes @3.25pm for half term

**Monday, 24th Feb**

School re-opens to pupils  
School Book Fortnight begins

### A Note from the PFA

#### **SCHOOLS OUT FOR CHRISTMAS!!**

We would like to say a big thank you to all the parents and teachers who kindly helped us make the Christmas fair a success and so much fun. Also we can't thank enough everyone who generously donated to the raffle or the tombola, this was greatly appreciated. We can now reveal we made a staggering £1248. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and we hope all the children did too.

On behalf of the whole PFA, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year!

### Celebration Assemblies

Parents have been asking us to clarify what is appropriate for children to bring in to share their success with us in our Friday Celebration Assemblies. We would suggest that appropriate celebrations are any sports certificates/badges, Rainbows, Cubs, Scouts, Brownies, Guides awards, etc.

### Clubs- Spring 1

Please email [katy.evans@kingscliffeschool.co.uk](mailto:katy.evans@kingscliffeschool.co.uk) with your permission for your child to take part in clubs. **You will be informed if your child DOES NOT gain a place at a club.**

**Please take note of the finish time of clubs as these vary.**

**One Touch Football** - Monday 3:25-4:25 for Years 1 - 2 and a second club for Years 3-6 Online registration only. £24 for the half term (£4 per session) Starts 13th January.  
Registration—[www.onetouchfootball.co.uk/after-school-clubs/](http://www.onetouchfootball.co.uk/after-school-clubs/)

**Tennis Club** - Monday 3:30-4:30 for Years 2—6 £3.00 per session payable on the R2R website—under 'book now' and 'primary schools' [www.r2rtennis.co.uk/booknow](http://www.r2rtennis.co.uk/booknow) Starts 13th January.

**Kids 4 Fitness** - Monday 3:30-4:30 for Years 1-2. Starts 13th January. Limited to 20 places.

**Homework Club** - Monday 3:30-4:15 for Years 1-6. Please ensure that your child brings their homework with them. Starts 13th January.

**Gymnastics Club KS1** - Tuesday 08:00—08:45am for years 1-2 run by Mrs Yarland and Miss Yeo. Limited to 10 Places. Starts 14th January.

**Gymnastics Club KS2** - Tuesday 3:30-4:30 for years 3-6 run by Mrs Foster & Miss Yeo. Limited to 20 Places. Starts 14th January.

**Film Club** - Tuesday, 3.30-4.30 for Years 3-6, run by Miss Boyers. Limited to 12 places. Starts 14th January.

**Guitar Club** - Wednesday 3:30-4:00 for Years 3-6. This is run by Noise Tuition, Dan Caws is the teacher. If you would like to register please go to [www.noisetuition.com](http://www.noisetuition.com) Starts 8th January.

**Bridge Club** - Wednesday, 3:30-4:30 for years 3-6 run by Mrs Yeo with The Stamford Bridge Club. Limited to 16 places. Starts 15th January.

**Kids 4 Fitness** - Thursday 3:30-4:30 for Years 3-6. Limited to 25 places. **Starts ?? January.**



Mrs Bowyer and the staff would like to thank parents for their kind Christmas gifts and support this term. As this is the last newsletter of the year, may we take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and Happy New year. Have a wonderful break and we look forward to seeing you back on Tuesday, 7th January 2020.



Dear Parents

Staff and pupils are very excited to launch our new weekly 'Reading Café' starting in January. We had a trial recently and then asked staff and pupils their thoughts and feelings, and it resulted in everybody loving it.

How does it work? Every Monday each member of teaching staff chooses a book that they would like to read and add this to our 'Reading Menu.' Throughout the week, the menu is passed to each class and the children choose which book they are going to listen to. On Thursday at 3pm, each child goes to the chosen classroom and enjoys listening to an adult read either the whole text or part of the text.

Why are we starting a weekly Reading Café? We want to give children their Pupil voice. This allows them the right to choose which book or adult they would like to work with as well as offering them a chance to enjoy an adult read to them in a calm, exciting environment. We are including a wide variety of genres and age range of books.

How can you help? Each week we would also like to have a mystery reader. The mystery reader will still add their book to the school reading café but pupils will not know who the adult is. During our trial, Mrs Harris (Pre-school Lead) was our mystery reader and the children were very intrigued trying to guess who it was going to be. We would welcome parents and grandparents as mystery readers.

Please find attached a slip below that we would ask you to return if you would like to be one of our mystery readers. Once we have all the completed slips, we will be allocating weeks and will let you know which date you will be reading on. Please keep this a secret from your child, as we want all children intrigued and curious.

Many thanks for your support.

Denise Horton  
English Lead

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I would like to be a mystery reader on a Thursday at 3pm.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Name & Year of child/children \_\_\_\_\_

Book I would like to read (it can be a chapter if you're choosing a larger book)

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## 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

### March

4th—Y6 Living Rainforst  
5th—World Book Day  
9th—12th—Y5 Bikeability  
11th—Year 3 Class Assembly  
16th—Whole School Photo  
16th—Parents' Evening - Early  
18th—Parents' Evening - Late  
25th—Year 4 Class Assembly  
30th—Class Photos  
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  
School closes for summer @ 3.25pm



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