



Friday 22nd March 2024

NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



Headteacher's Comment:

Wishing you all a Happy Friday! I can't believe how quickly the time is passing, we are nearly at the end of our Spring Term. I would like to say thank you to all of you for your involvement and support with school, it is really valued and appreciated. If you do have any worries, no matter how small they may seem, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to make our school an even greater success.

This week Alex Burghart, MP, visited our School to talk to our Junior children and the School Council. This was Mr Burghart's first visit to Kelvedon Hatch Community Primary School for some time; he was most impressed by what he saw. He spoke to the group about his role as an MP before opening the floor to questions from our children. Topics ranged from the current affairs to careers as MPs and women in Parliament. It is clear that some of our children have an interest in politics and current affairs.

We say goodbye to Mrs Winterbourne and Madam Pine on 28th March, we will all be incredibly sad to both of them leave us and they will be very much missed by staff, children and parents alike. Mrs Fletcher's last day will also be on Thursday. Again, we thank her for the dedication she has shown to our children and wish all of our valued staff members the best of luck in their new ventures.

This week we have spoken about, and are proud to be supporting Neurodiversity Celebration Week 2024! Neurodiversity Celebration Week is a worldwide initiative that challenges stereotypes and misconceptions about neurological differences. Together let's change the narrative to understand, accept, and celebrate neurodiversity!

Wishing you all a very happy and safe weekend.



Diary Dates

Monday 25th March – Author Visit

Tuesday 26th March – Reception Assembly 9am

Wednesday 27th March – Year 5 Class Assembly 9am

Wednesday 27th March – Easter Extravaganza

Thursday 28th March – Last day of term

Monday 15th April – First day of term

Tuesday 16th April – Year 1 School Trip



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Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 18th March 2024

| Class | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Whole School |
|------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Attendance | 94.8% | 92.5% | 92.0% | 90.4% | 95.5% | 92.6% | 89.2% | 92.5% |

| 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Year 4 | Reception | Year 5 |



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 6th September

| Class | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Whole School |
|------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Attendance | 94.7% | 91.6% | 93.3% | 90.1% | 94.8% | 89.0% | 91.8% | 92.3% |

| 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Year 4 | Reception | Year 2 |



Stars of the week

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|-----------|--------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| Jacob | Mia | Freddie | Grayson | Maddie | Beau | Rayyaan |



Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

Congratulations Finn L in year 2 for achieving the Headteacher's Award this week for being a kind and considerate member of our school. Well done, keep up the good work!



Reminders

If your child is absent, please ensure you leave a reason as to why they are absent.
 To help keep the children safe please ensure that children are not standing on the wall outside of school or left unattended.
 Please ensure any medication is handed to an adult including asthma pumps if they are shared between school and home. Thank you.



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Learning Links

Year R - This week we have been writing the main events of the story: Monkey Puzzle. We have also made animals out of clay. In Science we have been finding out about animals that hibernate including hedgehogs and bears. We have been making our own dens! Can you find out about another animal that hibernates?

Year 1 - Year 1 have been basking in the sunshine this Wednesday during Forest School and built a swing, made 'seed bombs' and did some framed artwork using sticks and twigs. We also made popcorn which allowed us to talk about some aspects of Science as well. The children have just finished measures of mass and volume and should be able to explain the difference between 'capacity' and 'volume'. We've continued writing poetry and the children have written some lovely poems about themselves. We sculptured trees during Art and are hoping to finish these next week. Have a great weekend!

Year 2 - This week Year 2 have been finishing their Maths unit based on measure. We have been looking at measuring temperature and how a thermometer works. We have also been concentrating on using column addition in our Maths meetings. In English we have started a new book called 'Little Monkey'. This is a story about a little monkey who wants to explore the big world around her. We have enjoyed our PE lessons with our sports coach and we have been learning some of the skills involved in football. Maybe you could show off some of your football skills at home!

Year 3 - Year 3 have been working hard this week, starting to explore fractions. We have been thinking about what a fraction is and what the different parts of a fraction, the numerator and the denominator represent. Can your child tell you two things that they have found out about fractions? In our reading lessons, we have had fun listening to and exploring the book 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons', where we have been taking information from the story and making connections with how we may feel in the same situation.

Year 4 - Year 4 have been enjoying writing persuasive holiday brochures, they have been using some fantastic vocabulary in their writing. They are definitely persuading me to book a holiday to one of their exquisite 5-star resorts! In Maths, the children have been finding equivalent fractions and adding fractions. During our Geography lessons on Antarctica, we learnt all about Ernest Shackleton. Can you tell an adult at home who he was and what he did?

Year 5 - It has been another amazing week of learning in Year 5 and we have worked really hard practising for our assembly. We can't wait to share our learning with you next week! This week the children have started learning about shape in Maths, where we have focused on angles and turns. In English we have begun looking at 'Free Verse Poetry' and I am looking forward to reading the children's poetry by the end of next week! Have a go at looking at different pictures of sceneries and see if you can write some lines for a poem using figurative language, for example, personification, metaphors and similes.

Year 6 - This week the children have been ordering decimals, fractions and percentages in Maths. They created freeze frames in English to create a scene from a text. During our PE lessons they completed a circuit training workout and recorded their fitness to compare each week for improvement. Our focus this week has been key vocabulary in all subjects. Can you discuss our English vocabulary focus to an adult?



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