



Kineton Green Primary School

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Head Teacher's News



BE CONFIDENT

School Choir

Following the success of our school choir at Touchwood over the Christmas period, at a performance for residents at Solihull hospital and being featured on ITV news for their up and coming performance at Young Voices, Miss Maddock and the choir have been invited to sing at the Royal Star and Garter nursing Home on Thursday 29th February. It is so lovely that the choir has had so many opportunities to perform in front of an audience and bring a little joy to other people.

PTA

The next event being organised for the children is Valentine's Day. The children will have the opportunity to secretly send a heart lollipop to a loved one. Please see Class Dojo and our other usual methods of communication for the details of how to take part.

Remember the PTA are aiming to sell uniform at the up and coming parents evenings next Tuesday and Wednesday. Come and take a look and pick up a bargain.

If you do have any spare uniform of good quality that you would like to donate for this sale, please bring it into the school office as soon as possible.

Staffing Update

The Governing Body have recently ratified a new staffing structure. We will not be replacing Mrs Thomson with another assistant head teacher and will instead be creating a new pastoral/behaviour lead post. This will be advertised shortly.

This will mean that we will be employing a permanent FS1 teacher. Unfortunately, Mrs Kelly, much as she would like to, will be unable to go for this position. Mrs Kelly has been a fantastic addition to our team and we are greatly saddened that she will be finishing at the Easter break. This position will also be advertised. We would like to express our sincere thanks to Mrs Kelly for doing such an amazing job for the two terms she will have been with us.

BE A LIFE LONG LEARNER

Parents Evenings for February 2024

Don't forget Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th February 2024, that's next Tuesday and Wednesday before we break up for half term.



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Academy Status

From my recent meetings with the Summit Learning Trust preparations are really taking off and we are on schedule to meet our proposed academization date of 1st March 2024. We are very excited about this and looking forward to working in collaboration with the other academy schools.

In preparation for the conversion date, work will be carried out in school over the half term period, starting with the refurbishment of the corridors, classrooms, staffroom and Beehive areas including painting and new floorings. Work in preparation for the development our computing provision and infrastructure will also be going on behind the scenes!!! This is one of the reasons why our Beehive Holiday Club will be hosted in the Foundation Stage building instead of their normal rooms this February half-term.

Term/inset dates for 2024/2025 will be available shortly. This has been delayed as we will need to come in line with the Summit Trust's inset days enabling cross academy training. We will let you know and put them up on the school website as soon as they are confirmed. We are talking to the trust currently about the possibility of an additional inset day on 5th July 2024 when the Trust hold their conference for all staff across the academy schools.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Parents Evening—Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th February

Half Term—12th February—16th February

Back to school—Monday 19th February

Young Voices - Thursday 22nd February

Rocksteady Assembly —Tuesday 19th March

Inset Days 2024

Thursday 2nd May 2024

Friday 21st June 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

RE RESPECTFUL

New Behaviour Policy

You should have received, through our School Comms and through Class Dojo, information about our new Behaviour Policy and associated documents. I will be holding an assembly next Monday morning for the whole school introducing the changes and explaining these to the children. The staff will then go through these in detail with their classes over the course of next week so they become familiar with the expectations, ready for its implementation after February half term. We would encourage you to read the new policy – see the school website – and discuss the documents with your children.

As part of the changes we are introducing a new termly behaviour for learning reports which can be discussed at the February Parents' Evening. These will come home today with your child.

School Council:

I had the pleasure of attending the school council last week. It was lovely to listen to their ideas and suggestions. Some of the ideas they will be looking to implement include; revamping one of the smaller notice boards in the parent waiting area to keep you up to date with the School Council's work. Another initiative they have asked to implement is to open a food bank to help support families in our community. Look out for more details on the new notice board!

We had a couple of special visitors in assembly last week. John Hurley and Hettie the Hedgehog came to tell us how much we have raised from the Rudolph Run we did back in December. John told us how the money we had raised is helping people who are in the hospices, providing care and resources.

We raised an amazing £576.75. So the School Council would like to say a huge well done and thank you to all those who took part in the event and all those who donated their sponsorship via our just giving page.



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WhatsApp Groups

School is aware that many of our year groups have parental WhatsApps which are really useful to help remind each other of up and coming dates or things to help each other. However, I have recently been approached by a number of parents where either verbally or on the WhatsApp group rumours are being spread about incidents in school or between children which are not accurate and causing distress to other parents and pupils. We would ask that if you have a concern related to school or an incident that may have happened in school that you broach school directly to avoid being misinformed or causing distress to others.

BE SAFE AND HEALTHY

Parking

Once again I have been contacted by our school neighbours to say that a minority of parents are still parking inconsiderately and dangerously across driveways blocking residents from leaving. I am sure if the shoe were on the other foot you would be equally annoyed. Please don't do this. If car owners can be identified their details will be passed on by school to the local police.

Measles

If you have been watching the national news you will be aware that there has been a resurgence of cases of the measles. Solihull MBC have sent through information to schools which I have distributed to staff to ensure they are vigilant as one of the hot spots is the West Midlands, specifically Birmingham. We would ask you to remain vigilant and look at the information sent out previously on spotting symptoms.

There will be no newsletter next week so may I take this opportunity to wish you a restful half term holiday.

Attendance

Please see below the latest attendance statistics:-

<i>Class</i>	<i>Week Ending 26th January</i>	<i>Week Ending 2nd February</i>	<i>Combined</i>
FS1	99.23%	96.92%	98.08%
FS2	90%	90%	90.17%
Year 1	88.57%	96.43%	92.5%
Year 2	96.67%	96.33%	96.5%
Year 3	88.62%	93.49%	90.93%
Year 4	92.96%	91.82%	92.45%
Year 5	87.59%	97.3%	92.49%
Year 6	90.33%	96.33%	93.33%

Congratulations to **FS1** for having the highest attendance overall in infants and **Y6** for having the highest attendance overall in Juniors.

Gold Book



Class	Week Ending 26th January 2024	Week Ending 2nd February 2024
FS1—Gold Award	Emma	Jessie
Bee Award	Mirha	Rayan
Fs2—Gold Award	Mahd	Amelia
Bee Award	Lara	Jesse
Year 1—Gold Award	Reece	Madison
Bee Award	Lilly	Albie
Year 2—Gold Award	Paris	Charlie
Bee Award	Caiden-Scott	Ruben
Year 3—Gold Award	Luca	Arlo
Bee Award	Grayson	Kenon
Year 4—Gold Award	Rida	Lily-Mae
Bee Award	Elise	Rayyan
Year 5—Gold Award	Sundheep	Oren
Bee Award	Oliver	Sarah
Year 6—Gold Award	Dylan	Reece
Bee Award	Henry	Shoaib

