



Kemble Primary School

Tues 24th November

December 7th
Nativity dress rehearsal
2pm for playgroup and
toddlers

December 8th
Nativity Play Performance
9.15am

December 9th
Nativity Play Performance
2pm

December 10th
Christmas Lunch

December 16th
Cinderella Panto at
Everyman Theatre

December 17th
Christmas Church Service
Kemble Church 10am

December 18th
Christmas Story & Carols
9am
Christmas fair 3pm

December 18th
End of Term !

January 4th
INSET Day

January 5th
Start of term 3



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**This Terms Worship Theme is:
THANKFULNESS**

Open Days

How lovely it was to show current and prospective parents and governors and community members our fabulous schools last week. We heard nothing but praise about both schools, how lovely and friendly they are, amazing displays and wonderfully behaved children - fully on task during the lessons. Parents mentioned the super resources we have in both schools and were amazed by all the extras we provide; music lessons, sports, the arts and the garden at Siddington and forest school at Kemble. They were impressed by our results too!



Wildlife Photographer

Iain Green spent two days at our schools and was very impressed by the children - please try to look at the displays of some of the photos the children took - they are quite stunning. One child was reported to say to Iain 'I don't know much about what things are, but I know I enjoy looking at them' - how special...

After School Club - Please remember that it is important that you notify the office early if you want your child to attend. Annabel buys fresh snacks daily and has to plan for the number of children. It has also been noted that parents are picking up children late and therefore Annabel, Allyn or Ann are not finishing on time. We would be grateful for your co-operation. The booking sheets for December and the first two weeks of January are available from Annabel. If you would like your child to attend this Friday when it is Pizza Friday, Annabel will need to know by Thursday latest.

Literary awards!

The annual Soroptomists International of Cirencester Literary Competition Awards Evening was held at the Royal Agriculture University on Friday night and we are thrilled and proud that Emily Pink and Isabel Brennan were 'highly commended' out of hundreds of children entering. Budding authors of the future!



Pupil Voice

I was also proud of 3 boys who came to see me about playground games last week. Joe, Charlie and Zac shared a petition to bring back hard balls in the playground and put forward a convincing argument! I had stopped the use of hard balls as there were two incidents of younger children being hit with balls during football games first thing in the morning. However, we reached a compromise which has led to us ordering some new ✓ rugby and footballs to trial, the sponge ones I had suggested were very wet to play with. I have also ordered some new playground equipment so everyone should have even happier playtimes!



Clubs

It is important that children are given a range of clubs so that they can find out what they like, try new things and develop a range of interests and hobbies. We are collating a new timetable. Please have a look at this when it comes through and choose up to three clubs for each child. Please remember that children, especially those in Reception class or Beech class, get tired after a long day at school. These clubs are for the Spring Terms (Terms 3 & 4). If a club is oversubscribed we may split the club so that all children get a chance. We aim to have the new schedule out at the end of next week.

Sports - The children have been attending lots of sports events recently, here are a selection of match reports.

Athletics On Tuesday the 17th November we took a team of boys and girls to Deer Park to take part in an Indoor Athletics Tournament. Kemble did well in most of our events, we were mixed with Siddington School and they were also great. Powells, Chesterton and a few other schools took part in the event and had a great time. The overall winner was Chesterton and we ended in 4th place. Miss Hancox and Miss Bint were there to support us. All of us took part in a range of events that we wanted to do and it was all organised very well, by the end of the tournament we were all exhausted and very tired but we thought it was so much fun! By **Sara Moylan Y4**

The tag-rugby report

By Isabelle and Bethany

When we first arrived we jumped straight into a warm up, and did some stretching. We won the first game against Chesterton 4-2 then we lost our second against Stratton 4-1. We won our third 4-0 against Sapperton but lost our fourth against Powells 3-2

We really enjoyed all our matches and had a smashing time but we were all exhausted by the end. We put all our effort into the games and would love to do it again. We were the only 2 girls doing it and we thought it was awesome!!!



THE football tournament

KEMBLE school football team went to Cirencester Primary to play in a mesmerizing football tournament on the 19th of the November 2015. We played 8 games in the group stage. First up Ann Edwards, a game which we really should have won as we were the better team but it ended 0-0. Next was Great Rissington A, we were two very equal teams which draw 0-0.

Then Bourton on Water, we thrashed them 3-0. Fourthly Kemble played CPS Red, we had a tough game against them & we just managed to score very late on in the match to win 2-1. Then we beat St Lawrence 3-0 which we dominated from the start. Next we played a hard game at Powell's which we draw 1-1. Then we got an early lead when we met Farford and beat 4-0. Next we played quite an easy game against Ashton Keynes. We drew 0 - 0. We then played St Mary's in the semi final and lost 2 - 0.

Finally we played in the third and fourth play off match. We lost against Avening 1 - 0.

We would like to thank Mr Peacock for coaching us.

Charlie Bird



MDSA for Kemble - We are still looking for a lunch time supervisor to work one day per week (Monday) and someone who would be happy to be contacted for cover if we are short due to illness. Please see Mrs Turner, Mrs Jackson or Mrs Dougill if you are interested -it is a great hour - playing with the children and helping them to have a happy lunch time!

Attendance

Year group	Siddington	Kemble
Reception	83.8%	98.7%
Year 1	94.5%	95.0%
Year 2	98.7%	93.9%
Year 3	98.6%	98.6%
Year 4	94.7%	97.1%
Year 5	96.0%	99.7%
Year 6	97.1%	93.1%
Average	94.7%	96.5%

Our target in both schools is to have over 95% attendance - keep it up everyone! Remember children can come to school with a cough or a cold, sore throat or asthma if they feel well enough. If a child is on Calpol or similar to reduce a temperature then they should be at home resting and keeping hydrated and warm.

Children in Need and Poppy Appeal

Thank you! We raised £583.97 for Children in Need. Thank you also for the £41.64 that was raised for the Poppy Appeal.

End of term - On Friday 18th December (our last day) we will not have our usual celebration assembly but we invite parents to come along for a Christmas story (maybe two) and some carols to get us into the Christmas spirit! Kemble parents are invited to the hall at 9:00am and Siddington parents are invited at 2:45pm - we hope to see you all there. Please also note the times of the Nativity performances at the front of the newsletter.



December Birthdays

Degan, Courtney, Matilda,
Jasper, William