



# Kemble Primary School

11th June 2018

22 June Parent  
Head Chat 9.30am

27th June  
Beech assembly

29th June  
School Fundraiser

5th July  
School Sports Day 12  
Noon Picnic  
1pm Races

16th July School Play  
9.30am Dress  
Rehearsal (Young  
children to watch this  
one)

7pm Performance 1—  
No young children  
please

18th July School Play  
Performance 2—7pm  
No young children  
please

23rd July  
Visit to Cotswold  
Beach

25th July 1pm  
Leavers Service and  
last day of term

## This Terms Assembly Theme is:

### **CARNIVAL WEEK**

A huge thank you to the staff (teachers and teaching partners) for making the carnival week a huge success and so enjoyable for the children. The children learnt so much about festivals and carnivals from around the world. They developed their creative, design, technology and art skills when designing and making costumes, headdresses and masks and musical instruments. Thank you very much for those families and parents who donated resources for the week and to those parents who supported us on our parade day - didn't they all look fabulous? I know that this will be one of those school events that the children will remember for many years. I am already planning something special for next year...



**AN END OF TERM TREAT** - On our 'Passport' we have 15 things that were discussed and decided with staff, parents and children 3 years ago, that we would like our children to experience before leaving school (some of them will happen only once in 7 years). So far we have ticked:

African drumming

Learning to swim (most will do this!)

Learning to ride a bike (Years 5 and 6 do this)

Learning to play an instrument (Years 3 and 4 do this)

Visit a science dome (last year)

Go on a residential (Year 6's do this)

Welcome someone in another language - we try to learn as many language 'hellos' as we can

Meet a professional photographer - 2015

And this year we would like all children to go to the beach! We have priced up Weston-Super-Mare and Wales, but both are very expensive to take 200 children and staff (over £2,000).

We would actually like parents to have an option to be there as well, so, we have arranged for the children to go to our very local beach at South Cerney on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. We thought this would be a wonderful final day trip for Mrs Newton too! Coaches, even to this local venue



would cost £700, so we are asking parents if they can lift share and transport the children to the Cotswold Country Park & Beach - Spratsgate Ln, Shorncote, Cirencester GL7 6DF. As we can save on transport, school will cover the cost of children's entrance. Parents can join us to spend a quality day with the children and staff, a time for fun and of course a picnic. Hopefully it will be good weather. If it rains, we will stay in school, but have indoor treats. The park is open from 10:00am, and we ask parents to share rides and let us know only if there is a problem with this. For parents who do not attend, we ask that Reception and KS1 children are picked up at 3:00pm and KS2 children at 3:20pm unless you have children in both Key Stages. Parents who are with their children can stay as long as they wish! Please bring / send children wearing their costume, and pack underwear, with clothes on top, a warm hoodie or sweatshirt in case they get cold, sensible shoes to walk or play games in, sun cream and a sun hat, water and a picnic with a towel to sit on and to dry themselves off if they paddle.

All children will be able to paddle and we will have lots of staff in with paddlers (classes will take turns) so that children are very carefully monitored and watched at all times. We have booked 2 life guards for the afternoon and several staff have been organised to be in the water too. It should be a great fun day.



Please can you fill in the form at the bottom of the letter and make sure that this is returned to school by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June so that we can make final amendments to risk assessments - thank you.

**EVENTS CALENDAR 2018 - 19** The school offices are in the process of updating and organising the calendar for the next academic year. As always, we try to put in as many fixed dates as we can so that parents have plenty of warning for trips and events (unless they are treat / surprise ones!). The termly calendars are on the school websites and we would like to remind parents that we cannot authorise holidays during the term time and there is an expectation that children attend school 100% of the time unless they are poorly. The national average for this is 97% or higher for normal absence including illness, so we set targets each year to try to attain this. Ofsted check up on pupils' attendance and we hope to wow them next year! Keep up the good attendance everyone!

**SCOUTING** - the children have had an assembly today all about scouting. Tony Edmonds from South Cerney HQ told the children about all the exciting activities they can do and about the sections that both boys and girls can join: Beavers 6 - 8 years old, Cubs 8 - 10  $\frac{1}{2}$  and Scouts 10  $\frac{1}{2}$  - 14. There is an open evening on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 6:15 - 7:15 GL7 5UN - a leaflet will be sent home today if anyone is interested. If you cannot attend, fill in the leaflet and photograph is and send an email to [tony.edmonds@scouts.org.uk](mailto:tony.edmonds@scouts.org.uk)



**YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICE AT GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL**—The Year 6 leavers had a super time at the special service at Gloucester cathedral. Photo to follow in next newsletter.

## **KEMBLE HEALTHY EATING/SWEETS IN SCHOOL SURVEY - June 18**

15 replies out of possible 100

1 x No sweets or cake in school (this means birthday cakes, bags or sweets or tuck shop)

1x Party bags to be given out by parents, tuckshop at the end of each term selling cake and healthy popcorn (party bags can contain pencil, rubber, toy etc)

12 x Party bags / sweets to be given out by parents in the playground for birthdays, and tuck shop once per week (current option)

1 reply that specifically said no party bags but cake and popcorn at the end of the month

**ACTIONS** -I will be asking KPG to continue with tuck shop, but to consider adding popcorn or healthier options such as corn crisps rather than the more salty crisps and popcorn bags. I will also ask them to serve from the hall or near the hall, that way, parents who do not want their children to have sweets to avoid the stall.

I would like those parents who want to bring in birthday treats for the children to hand them out in the playground at the end of the day, so that children who do not want sweets are not handed them as they exit class. Please can parents serve these by the shed at the top of the playground - thankyou.

### **Parent Pay—cashless Office from September 2018**

Along with many schools including secondary schools, we will be moving to being a cashless office from September 2018. This means that all payments will be made through parent pay for school trips, swimming, lunches and ASC and BC. To do this, we need every child to be signed up for ParentPay. We have sent out the user names and passwords to enable you to do this but still have 25% of the school not signed up. You need an account for each child, once created, this can be joined with the account of your other child/ren to pay of the same card/account. If you have not set this up, please can you do this ASAP. If you need any help, please pop by the office. Thanks

## Guitar and Ukulele lessons

Mr Meade who teaches guitar and ukulele at the school has updated his flyer regarding lessons. These are available from year 3. Please see the attached flyer. If you would like your child to have lessons, please contact Mr Meade directly. Thanks



**Wildlife Garden,** Look at our beautiful garden that has been created by Oli Waterworth a 'past' pupil as part of his Duke of Edinburgh award - thank you so much!



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sophia, Celia, Georgina, Kit, Anya, Freya, Oliver T, Edward,



## School Trip to Cotswold Beach—Monday 23rd July 2018

Name(s): ..... Class(es):.....

I .....Parent / carer give my permission for my child(ren) to attend the Cotswold Water Park & Beach on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10:00am - 3:00/ 3:20pm.

Please let us know how you will transport your child(ren) and which other children you will be taking:

I will drive my child to the beach, drop off and then pick up at the end of the day

I will drive my child (and others) to the beach and I will be staying

I will be driving the following children to the beach and picking them up afterwards:

.....

My child(ren) .....

Will be transported to and from the beach by: .....

Thank you very much and we know that this will be a very special day for everyone - a time to celebrate all the hard work and good year, have a lovely time with Mrs Newton and relax - let's hope the sun shines for us!