



Kemble Primary School

15th October 2018

15 OCTOBER

Parents evening
5-7pm

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Start of Bike ability
Week for Year 6

17 OCTOBER

Parents evening
3.15-5.15pm

19 OCTOBER

Break up for Half
Term—End of term 1

29 OCTOBER

Return to school—
start of Term 2

30 October—5
November

Travelling Book Fair

3 November

KPG Fireworks
Gates open 5pm

7 November

Reflection Morning

Our Vision—To have fun, do our very best and to look after everyone in a caring community.'

This Terms Assembly Theme is: RESPECT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our value this term is **RESPECT** and we have been thinking about how we can respect the world, each other and our special places of worship. We would also be grateful if parents could respect the children who are leading assembly & worship so that they encourage young children not to talk. Thanking you in anticipation!

AUTUMN IS HERE! I know we have had some rain, but isn't the autumn splendid! Such beautiful colours, amazing sky and all those lovely leaves to play in! We have a busy newsletter with lots of important information - please take time to read through - thank you.

Information about Pupil Premium

The pupil premium is a yearly payment made to school by the government to support pupils whose parents are either:

On a low income or are currently claiming benefits,

Who are or ever have been "looked after" (in care) or Whose parents work for the armed forces

The payments for each of these categories vary. The school receives

£1,320 for each pupil whose parents are on a low income or benefits

£2,300 for each pupil who is, or ever has been, in care

£300 for each pupil whose parents worked in the armed forces or receive a War Pension



If you think your child might be eligible for pupil premium, please follow this link:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

At our schools we spend the pupil premium in a variety of ways-

Teaching Partner support in class

1:1 reading with teacher or TP

Social and Emotional sessions with Mrs Savage (ELSA)

Academic interventions to boost outcomes in Maths and English

Financial support for school trips and/or Breakfast/After school club

Loan of i-pad to support homework activities

Reading support with the Beanstalk charity

We carefully tailor our spending of the pupil premium money to boost outcomes for these children and we monitor progress regularly, checking that our expenditure is making a difference.

Mrs Armstrong is the Pupil Premium Champion at Kemble and works across both schools. If you have any questions about this issue, or if you want help applying online for the premium, please ask. It is important we secure this money for our children. Thank you

JAMES DYSON CHALLENGE - The engineers at Dyson want to encourage excitement about engineering in our young children. They have designed some challenges specifically for children. Have a look at

<https://www.jamesdysonfoundation.co.uk/resources/design-process-box.html>

We have asked to be involved in the challenge project and we will be receiving the project box and challenge cards in Term 2. The preparation may take a while and I am sure that Mrs Parmiter and Ms Wyatt would be very grateful for volunteers to help with the sessions and for collecting the equipment the week prior to the challenges. If you can help, please can you see them before half term; the Kemble date is 19.11.18 and Siddington date is 29.11.18 - thank you all so much!



ADMISSION TO SCHOOL - Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) are starting the process ready for our new Reception children for September 2019. GCC send out paperwork to all new parents that they have listed. If you know of anyone who is hoping to start next year, please ask them to look out for the paperwork in mid-November and to let GCC know in late November if they have not received anything through the post.

The contact number for the Coordinated Admissions team is 01452 425407 or

schooladmissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk The deadline for applications is January 15th 2019.

MDSA POSITION KEMBLE - We would still like to have an additional midday supervisor to help support the children during lunchtimes. If you have an hour and 15 minutes free each lunchtime, then please come and chat to the office staff or Mrs Dougill about a very rewarding job. You help by organising, playing and supervising activities and games for them children, help them with their meals and clearing their plates, clearing tables and stacking and putting up tables with another MDSA. We would really love to have someone for 5 lunchtimes, but if you could do a couple, then do please still get in touch.



Young meets Old

On Monday 1st October, the children in Chestnut Class at Kemble School paid a visit to Athelstan House Care Home in Malmesbury.

The visit had been arranged to create links within the community and to give the children a chance to understand life from an older person's viewpoint.

The morning began with the children putting on a short musical concert for the residents. This included a version of 'You are my Sunshine' on guitar which was very popular with the whole audience.

A range of activities were laid on for the children and residents to enjoy and experience together including gardening, biscuit decoration, making cards and bookmarks and also a WW2 themed activity.

During this particular session the children heard first-hand about the experiences of the residents during the war, they talked about rationing and life in general during that time. The children were also able to have a go at some simple code breaking.

All in all the visit was a great success, we hope to repeat it with the younger children at Kemble and perhaps return again in the summer term.

Freya and Matilda, aged nine commented "It was really fun meeting the residents. We were surprised how much they enjoyed doing the same activities as us"

Year 3 / 4 job share teacher position.

I am pleased to say that after interviewing, Mrs Greening has been successful for the job share position with Mrs Rogers.

As previously mentioned, Mrs Janvrin will not be returning after her maternity leave ends at Christmas in order to spend time with her lovely family - we are sad to see her leave Kemble, but it is lovely that she is parent, so it is not goodbye! and welcome to the team Mrs Greening!

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN ONLINE:

Online Game Reviews

We have noticed some of our younger children are acting out some online games that they have either played or seen versions of on You Tube. One of the current favourites is an Indie developed horror game called Granny - available as an app download. This is a 12+ certificate app and not one that is really suitable for primary age children. It is also recorded as having no privacy settings therefore allowing children to witness advertisements as they play. A parent review of the game can be found at <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/app-reviews/granny>

If you would like to find out more about games generally and whether they are really suitable (or indeed contribute opinions and submit honest parent reviews) a useful website to visit is <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/> where parents can read about current games children play.

Ms Wyatt - IT and Safeguarding lead

Please can parents talk to your children about playground games and which games are sensible for them to play. Thank you.

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT - A report from Freya:

On 9th October 2018, 6 Kemble School Deer Park to play in a Hockey Tournament. The 6 pupils were: Jasper, Olly, James, Freya, Maddy and Sienna. We did the best we could, we all enjoyed it and had loads of fun. The scores were: in game 1 we lost 1 0 to Stratton Green, in game 2 we lost 1 0 to Powells Green, in game 3 we won 2 0 against Fairford Orange, in game 4 we lost 2 1 to St Lawrence Blue, in game 5 we drew 0 0 with Sapper-ton Blue and in game 6 we won 4 0 against Fairford Pink. All goals were scored by Jasper except 1 which was scored by Olly.



Well done everyone and to Freya for writing this report!

Travelling Book Fair

This will be taking place again from 31 October to 2 November.in the hall straight after school. If you are able to help run it for part of the time, please contact the school of-fice. The children will be coming home tonight with a leaflet about the books that are for sale. There is also a poster competition they can enter.



IDEAS FOR HALF-TERM - If we are having a wet half term - here are a few ideas for activities, but remember - it is good for children to be bored sometimes - a time to relax and chill is important for a good mental health!



Go for an Autumn walk, collect leaves and make a collage

Meet up with some friends from school for a picnic at the park

Have a jig-saw challenge - one a day

Give your children an old piece of clothing or hat and ask them to design and make it into something new - up-cycling is great fun!

There are lots of free places to visit in Gloucestershire - here is great link:

www.soglos.com/children-family/39971/26-free-things-to-do-in-Gloucestershire

Make a guy ready for bonfire night and learn about the history of Guy Fawkes

Cover a piece of paper with a range of colours of crayon and then colour the whole thing in black crayon, use a toothpick to scrape off a picture - messy but very effective!

Google how to make slime and have fun!

Make a cake or some muffins for a neighbour and pop them round and have a cuppa for a surprise

Message from KPG—Make A Guy will be held on the first day back at School next term, Monday 29th October until 4pm. If children would like to take part they need to put their names on a list at the school office so we know numbers to cater for.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

POPPY W, LOTTIE P, MILLA

