



Kemble Primary School

5th November 2018

7 November
Reflection Morning

9 November
Chestnut Assembly
2.30pm ALL welcome
(No celebration
assembly)

16 November
Children in Need
Fundraiser

19 November
James Dyson
Foundation Project
work—Years 5 and 6

23 November
Parent Head Chat
2.00pm

29 November
Year 3/4 10 week
block of Violin Lessons
finishes. Music
assembly for Y3/4
parents 11am—12pm

7 December
Years 5 |& 6—'A
Christmas Carol' at
Deer Park School

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

This Terms Assembly Theme is: Good to be me

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope that everyone had a super break and were able to unwind and re-charge those batteries. The first week back saw a range of weather to remind us that summer is definitely over, autumn is here and winter is very nearly with us too! Please remember that children do go outside for over half an hour at lunch time and warm clothing is needed - hats gloves and scarves do need to be named. Our super midday staff make sure children are active and have fun, so school shoes need to be flat and practical for running about. Trainers are not suitable day wear for children, please keep these for PE times and after school clubs - thank you.

BONFIRE NIGHT - What a wonderful night we had on Saturday! Thank you so much to all the KPG and helpers who made the evening safe, fun and quite amazing! Thank you to all the helpers who gave up their time to clear up too. A good job!



SNOW - To be very prepared... and for new parents, in the case of severe weather, staff do try to keep school open. Staff who can attend school often arrive early to salt the pathways and clear as much snow as possible. Mrs Dougill checks the weather guidance issued by the highways agency and GCC to check road accessibility and if she feels that enough staff can get to school to open, the school opens. In the case that we cannot get enough staff into school to open, she makes a decision at 7:00am or earlier if possible and lets staff know. She contacts the local radio stations and GCC and the school name is added to the list,

so this would be parents' first check. Staff then try to blog, tweet or email if they have access. If the school is open, there is an expectation that children, especially those who live within walking distance, will attend school - we do have fun when it snows so come and have fun with us!

FUNDRAISING

Kemble school council raised money for the Kemble defibrillator they raised £73.50 on the non-uniform day and the smoothie sale raised £73.50 a total of £105.50 - well done everyone!



BOOK FAIR - Thank you so much for the parents and children in both schools who bought books from our recent Book Fairs. We are just working out how much money these made and of course each school then receives money to spend on new books for each class in school. Thank you so much to the parents and staff who helped out at the Book Fairs and enabled them to run so smoothly.

REMEMBRANCE - Poppies are on sale at school organised by the Y6 children - we would be grateful for children and adults to purchase a poppy with funds going to the Royal British Legion. We are pleased that children from Years 3 and 4 from each school will be joining in with the human poppy in Cirencester on Sunday 11th November. Mrs Hamlett will meet children from both schools 1:45 at the big tree behind the church. Parents must accompany children. Anticipated finish time is 3:30.



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*The Human Poppy forms part of the 'We Remember 1918' initiative, which has been co-ordinated by Cirencester Community Development Trust (CCDT) together with the Royal British Legion, the Barn Theatre, the Church and **Cotswold District Council**.*

At 2pm on Remembrance Sunday, some 3,000 people are expected to join together in Cirencester Market Place to create the UK's largest 'Human Poppy' in recognition of individual soldiers who lost their lives in the Great War.

KEMBLE VILLAGE REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

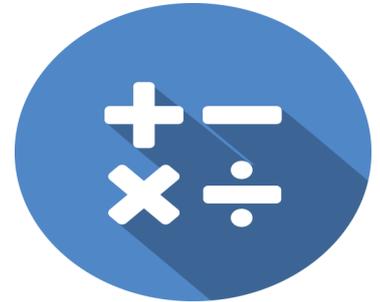
To mark 100 years since 1918, the children are invited to Kemble church for a very special service starting at **10am**.



If you do not want to go to the church but want to come to the war memorial with you children, please can they wear uniform and meet at the school at **10.40am** where Mrs Armstrong will meet families to walk up Church Road together to be at the memorial at **10.55am**. Please note parents must accompany children that are brought to school to take part in this.

GARDENING - things in the flower garden beds and tubs are quietening down, but it is always nice to keep them looking fresh and tidy. If anyone wants to check and tidy the tubs and beds around the school, then do please see the school office or Mrs Dougill. If you are not at work and can spend an hour or so to help us out, then that would be most welcome. Thank you

LEARNING AT HOME - Please make sure you look at the class pages on each school website to find out exciting home learning activities and websites that you can work on at home with your children. Although homework is optional, learning with your children enables you to find out what they are doing at school and have fun together. If you do not have time for topic activities, daily reading together up to the age of 11 makes a real difference to children's learning and knowledge and learning the times tables up to 12 x table by the time they reach Year 4 makes a huge impact on their test results when they sit them at the end of Year 6 so try work with your children on this in a fun way - Mathematics is a great activity to do daily - the school pays for each child from Y1 to Y6 to have a subscription to this service so please make sure your children use this on a regular basis - thank you. Please bring certificates in to share at celebration assembly / worship.



MAT NEWS - Mrs Venner, from Chesterton and Mr Johnson, the head of school at Cirencester Deer Park and I meet with Mrs Henson the CEO of the Corinium Education Trust (CET) every 2 weeks to work on improvement strategies. We also look at Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), data, attendance, behaviour - positive and negative and share good practice. With the finance director we keep a check on the budget. The Governing Board from each school is replaced by a Local Governing Body and they act as a check between the school and the trustee board. We are pleased that all schools are benefiting from the move to the CET. Our first Teacher Development day in the New Year is a joint training day for teachers from across the schools. We have also arranged professional development for the staff.

TIME FOR ADULTS - We often tell you about things to improve children's mental health and well-being, and this week we have a prayer space session at Siddington and a reflection session at Kemble working on mindfulness strategies. However, I want to remind parents to look after themselves! If we have good mental health, then we are better placed to look after our children. Please make sure you all try to find time for things to make you feel good and if you have a partner - have a date night without the children once in a while - it is very good for you!

NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY THIS FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER—

But you are all welcome to the Chestnut class assembly on Friday at 2.30pm

WILDLIFE QUIZ

Chestnut class have been invited to take part in the annual primary schools wildlife quiz but we need a parent to come in and help prepare the children. If you are able to do this, we would be so grateful as the children love taking part. Please contact the office if you can help.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Phoebe L, Theo P, Jacob L, Chance C, Matilda R, Ollie U





Netball Newspaper Report

On Tuesday the 16th October a team of year 4, 5 and 6 children took part in a high five netball tournament at Kingshill School. The teams were:

Team 1: Jasper, Oscar Daisy, Freya, Blossom, Joshua and Arthur.

Team 2: Zac, Bella, Scarlette, Henry, Blossom, Kit, Thea and Jack.

Team 1 won all their matches and only conceded one goal in the whole tournament!

Team 2 won all their matches and didn't concede ANY goals!

We would like to thank our coaches Mrs Howell and Miss Earl for coaching and supporting us and helping us get to this high level of netball.

Thank you!

Written by Zac, Freya, Oscar and Jasper.