

KEEVIL COFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

26th Sept - Y3 Braeside Trip

27th Sept – Harvest Festival (1.30pm)

 30^{th} Sept – Stay and Learn (8.45 –

9.30am)

7th Oct – Parent Coffee Morning

7th Oct – Pupil Progress Books sent home

10th Oct – Acorn Y5/6 Football

Tournament

11th & 12th Oct – Parents Evening for

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Well done to all of our new Reception children for settling into school brilliantly this week.

Spring: A big well done to all the Spring Class children who have settled in well, following the new routines and expectations. What a great year we are going to have!

Summer: Well done to all of Summer Class for an extremely positive start to the term.

Autumn: Well done to Autumn Class for starting the term well and with a positive attitude to their learning. They've been working really hard on their 'Theme Park Projects' this week.

Message from the Head

Welcome to a new school year! It has been lovely to have all the children back in school this week, after a quiet couple of days last week with just the staff busy working away.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new children and their families who have joined our community. We are very much looking forward to working over the coming years with: James Beaven, Rosa Breach, Harrie Freeman, Henry Haslam, Luca Kibblewhite, Lillie Maguire, Ellis McAninch, Erin McAninch, Cayla Scanlon and Nia Wylie in YR, and Lucas Banfield in Y5. Welcome to the Keevil family!

All the staff are very enthusiastic about the coming year, and as ever are committed to ensuring that all teaching and learning that goes on within school is at the highest possible standard, and that children also have a breadth and depth of opportunities beyond the academic curriculum. I will share further information about new initiatives and developments in school through these newsletters over the coming weeks and months to make sure that you are kept up-to-date with everything that is happening for your child.

One change for this year is that I have been asked by the Acorn Education Trust to take on Executive Head responsibilities for West Ashton School, as well as leading Keevil. It is always to our benefit to establish closer ties with other schools, as we get to 'magpie' (politically correct term for steal!) ideas, share expertise and establish supportive professional communities. I will continue to be based at Keevil for the majority of the week, but to ensure that the development and standards of our school continue to progress Mr McCaldon will have time out of class each week to support me in the leadership of the school. Mrs Brown will teach the Y5/6 children whilst Mr McCaldon is fulfilling these responsibilities.

Finally, we have some more good news to share with you - Miss Ashdown and her family welcomed Zara to join their family last week. Both mum and baby are doing well. I'm sure you join with us all in wishing them all the very best.

House points Kestrels Ospreys Buzzards Harriers --- --- ---

Inter-House Competition

Please see details about this term's challenge on the following pages.

Secondary School Applications

Please see information on the following pages if your child is in Y6 this year.

Dates

On the following pages you will find a list of dates for the up-coming year for you to put in your diary.

After School Clubs

Please remember to go on ParentMail and book your child into one of our after-school clubs which start next week (w/c 12th September). We have worked hard to ensure that there is a greater range of these this year, and it would be lovely to see lots of children making the most of these opportunities and enjoying the experience:

Mondays - Y1-Y3 Football (bookable through PHSports website https://phsports.co.uk/ 3:15-4:15pm

Wednesdays - Art Club run by Lizzy Swann-Price from Crafty Chameleons, for Y1-Y6 3:15-4:30pm

Wednesdays - Y4-Y6 Football run by Miss Biggs our Acorn Coach, 3:15-4:15pm

Thursdays - YR-Y6 Wellbeing Club run by Debs Clarke from Vibes and Minds, 3:15-4:15pm

Clubs that are run by external professionals have a minimum participation level – if numbers do not reach this level then the club will not run. So please make the most of these great opportunities for your child(ren).

Dates for 2022-23

TERM 1

26th September - Y3 Braeside trip

27th September - Harvest Festival 1:30pm in St Leonard's Church

30th September – Stay and Learn 8:45-9:30am

7th October - Parent Coffee Morning

7th October – Pupil Progress Books sent home

10th October – Acorn Y5/6 Football Tournament at Rowde School

12th October - Curriculum Meeting for YR Parents, 5pm in school

11th and 12th October – Parents Evening for Y1-Y6

15th October – Nursery Stay and Play Session 10am-12pm in school

19th October - Acorn TD Day

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15th November – Autumn Class Sharing Worship 9am in school

22nd November - School Photos

1st December - Stay and Learn 2:30-3:15pm

5th December – Acorn Y3/4 Football Tournament at Kingdown School

7th December – Parents Evening for YR

12th December - Spring and Winter Class Nativity Play, 1:30pm in St Leonard's Church

13th December - Spring and Winter Class Nativity Play, 6pm in St Leonard's Church

14th December – The Snowman, performance for all children paid for by FOKS in Village Hall

14th December - Summer Class Christmas Concert, 6pm in St Leonard's Church

16th December – Christmas Service 9:15am in ST Leonard's Church

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3rd January - TD Day

16th January - Acorn SEND KS2 Sports Festival at Warminster Sports Centre

31st January - Summer Class Sharing Worship 9am in school

3rd February - Pupil Progress Books sent home

7th and 8th February – Parents Evening YR-Y6

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27th February - Acorn Y5/6 Netball Tournament at Kingdown School

14th March – Spring Class Sharing Worship 9am in school

27th March - Acorn KS1 Multi-Skills Festival at Kingdown School

27th-29th March - Y4 Danywenallt Residential

31st March - Easter Service 9:15am in St Leonard's Church

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May - KS1 SATS window

8th - 11th May - KS2 SATS Week

22nd May - Acorn Y3/4 Athletics Festival at Kingdown School

23rd May - Winter Class Sharing Worship 9am in school

24th May - Sports Day

TERM 6

5th – 23rd June – Multiplication Tables Check window

12th – 16th June – Phonics Screening Check window

22nd June – KS1 Dance Festival (The Forum, Bath)

21st July - Thanksgiving Service 9:15am in St Leonard's Church

24th July - TD Day/School closed

25th July - TD Day/School closed





'My neighbour is anyone who needs my help' Headteacher: Lindsey Hermon PhD

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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

We are very aware that the current national economic situation is making finances very tight for many families. Therefore we wanted to remind people to consider if your child(ren) might be entitled to Free School Meals.

We also wanted to let you know that if your child(ren) qualifies it entitles them not only to receive a free lunch in school every day, it also means that as a school we receive extra funding for your child(ren) called Pupil Premium. This is money that we spend on supporting your child(ren)'s learning in class and on other things within the school that will benefit their education and development more widely. For example, we use it to subsidise school trips including regular gym and swimming, and we can use it to pay for children to attend particular after school clubs that support their interests. In recent times it has also entitled families to vouchers and/or payments to support them during school holidays.

All children in Reception and KS1 (Y1 and Y2) receive a free school meal already through the Government Universal Free School Meal system, but if you feel that your family could qualify, please complete the application process in order for the accompanying Pupil Premium funding to be released to school for your child.

Wiltshire Council oversees applications. You can find all the information including the qualification criteria on their website: https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/1669/Free-school-meals

You can follow the link on this page to complete your application online. We are very happy to lend a hand filling in the form if you would find that helpful. Just get in touch with us at school and we can organise the best way to do this.

Best wishes, Lindsey Hermon

Resilience Diligence Teamwork Communication Learning Problem solving

Inter-house Competition









SELF PORTRAIT COMPETITION

Designed by Martha Wright in the 2021 design your own challenge.

Deadline: 10/10/22

Bring your entry (no larger than A3) to Miss Mortimer with your name, class and house clearly labelled.

KS1 1st Place = 30 house points

KS1 2nd Place = 20 house points

KS2 1st Place = 30 house points

KS2 2nd Place = 20 house points

Plus 5 house points for everyone who takes part.







For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2023?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 31 October 2022

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on 01225 713010

For more information or to request our guide to finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Council