

KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

- 19th April – Start of Term 5
- 22nd April – Y6 Bikeability (Group 2)
- 28th April – School Photos – Class groups
- 3rd May – Bank Holiday (School Closed)
- 28th May – Last day of Term 5
- 7th June – TD Day (School Closed)
- 8th June – Start of Term 6

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Well done to Scarlet and Poppy for being Stars of the Week in Winter Class.

Spring: Well done to Maison for gaining his Green Handwriting Award.

Summer: Well done to all of Summer Class for great concentration while weaving their super Easter baskets.

Autumn: Well done to all of Autumn Class for being good sports for Mr McCaldon's April Fool's pranks! The tiny chairs and missing drawer labels caused quite a stir this morning!

Message from the Head

As we sit on the eve of the Easter holidays, it is quite something to look back over everything that has happened during what is the shortest of terms in the school year. It began with us all finding out late in the evening on January 4th that the children would not be returning to school as planned the following day, and that the whole country was being put into lockdown again. From that moment onwards, every member of staff worked tirelessly: firstly to get our on-line offer of learning up and running, then over the next two months to support every child as best they could through the toughest of circumstances. There seemed little to bring us cheer through the cold, dark winter months. A brief moment of excitement when it snowed, but mostly life felt like a relentless slog. We could all see the toll it was taking on everyone around us, most especially the children, and we know how difficult it was for everyone at home. The 8th March and the re-opening of schools took a long time to arrive. But it was wonderful to see and hear the school re-fill with life and joy and learning. Since then time has felt like it has speeded up again. Now the sun is shining, the days are longer and we have the prospect of what will feel like a proper holiday during which we are carefully and cautiously allowed to meet more people and do some different things. We can also look to the future with some positivity and expectation that life will continue to improve as the national un-locking carries on.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to every member of school staff. They have all gone above and beyond to do their utmost for every child, and I am very proud of all that we have managed to achieve in school in the most difficult of situations. I also want to say a huge thank you to all our wonderful children. They have been magnificent in the face of such adversity, and shown amazing resilience. We are so proud of each of them, and are looking forward to helping them continue to learn and grow next term, and get ready for the new year group they will be entering in September. Finally, to all of you at home, I would like you to know how grateful we are in school for your support, patience and understanding through all of this. The fact that you have worked with us so co-operatively, has meant that we have been able to give and do so much more for the children. Many, many thanks.

I very much hope that you all have a lovely and relaxing holiday; that you are able to enjoy the freedoms that opened up to us on the 29th March and those due from 12th April; and you all return to school on Monday 19th April feeling rested and refreshed, and ready for the next chapter.

REMINDER

When you are dropping or collecting your child(ren) at school **please DO NOT turn your car around in the entrance to School Close**. We have witnessed a number of near misses with people reversing out into Main Street over the past couple of weeks, and a parent asked us to say something to the whole community when they saw a cyclist almost being knocked over. The safest place to turn is at the triangle at the end of Martins Road.

House points

Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
620	688	785	613

Inter-House Competition

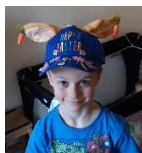
Well done to everyone who has taken part in this term's challenge to create an Easter Bonnet, and a special well done to our competition winners:



KS2 Winner
Will Thomas
15 points for
Kestrels



KS2 Runners Up
Will and Rhys
Dimmock
10 points each for
Buzzards



KS1 Winner
Aurelia Merchant
15 points for
Harriers



KS1 Runner Up
Edward l'Anson
10 points for
Kestrels

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