

## KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

### Up-coming Dates:

21<sup>st</sup> Oct – School Photographs (Portraits)  
21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct – Parent's Evening  
23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – TD Day (School Closed)  
24<sup>th</sup> Oct – 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Half Term Holiday  
4<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children return to school  
12<sup>th</sup> Nov – Winter Class trip to Pizza Express  
14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Mrs Hermon at Steeple Ashton pub bus stop  
14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Autumn Class Sharing Worship  
20<sup>th</sup> Nov – Stay & Learn

### In our Good Learning Book this week:

**Winter:** Farleigh, Maison & Barney for working hard on their writing. Eli & Hugo for resilience in Maths. Aurelia & Owen for being helpful and kind.

**Spring:** Sonny Bill, Elsie, Eli & William for gaining their Yellow Handwriting Award.

**Summer:** Ela for good attitude to a challenge. Daphne & Louie for being good role models for the school, always.

**Autumn:** Chloe, Ffion S-H, Ethan, Will, Charlie, Jack, Logan Bittner & Henry W for representing the school in the Acorn football tournament, finishing second place.

### Message from the Head

It doesn't feel right that half term is nearly upon us – time runs away fast... You will be receiving your child's Pupil Progress Book home from school today, and have the opportunity to meet with their teacher and see their school books during Parent's Evening appointments next week. So this is a chance for you all to reflect on this first term of the school year - celebrate the achievements and successes, and discuss ways in which your child can do even better when they return to school after the holiday.

During the past week we have re-organised the systems we use in the dining hall to encourage polite and respectful behaviour, and the adoption of healthy eating habits. We will be supporting this with work during a Wellbeing Day in school next week on the theme of 'Keeping Healthy'. Children who have ordered a hot dinner will now always be given some of everything included in the meal. No-one will ever be forced to eat anything, but they will be encouraged to try different foods and eat a balanced meal. If your child brings a packed lunch to school, you can find helpful advice at <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

If you are very organised your thoughts might be starting to turn to Christmas... In keeping with our ethos to 'always treat others as we would like to be treated', we always make the effort in school at this time of year to think of others and what we can give to them. We have decided to take a break this year from supporting the Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoebox appeal, and will instead concentrate on the Reverse Advent Calendar that we launched last year, through which we gather donations for the Storehouse Food Bank in Trowbridge. We will send out more details about this in due course.

I wish you all a very happy and restful holiday, and look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

### Inter-House Art Competition

This week the first inter-house competition came to an end and we saw a huge 58 entries, from delicate sketching and painting to 3D models and canvases. It is fair to say the children have done themselves proud! It has been lovely to see the children show such excitement for the competition and we have been overwhelmed with the children's enthusiasm. All the adults in school cast their vote for their favourite three pieces in each key stage which in turn gave us our winners:

KS1 first place: Bertie Steptoe (Y1, **Harriers**) KS1 second place: Evelyn Steel (Y2, **Kestrals**) KS1 third place: Edmund Smurthwaite (Y1, **Ospreys**)  
KS2 first place: Harry Dolan (Y4, **Kestrals**) KS2 joint second place: Ela Jonik (Y4, **Buzzards**) and Ffion Shorto-Heard (Y6, **Ospreys**) KS2 joint third place: Nieve Bittner (Y4, **Ospreys**) Felix Woodland (Y4, **Kestrals**)

All children that entered received 5 house points for their house as well as sharing their creation in worship. The competition has really shaken up the house point scores for this term so watch this space for the house winners!

Miss Mortimer

### Acorn Football Tournament

Autumn and Summer class both took part in the ACORN schools football tournament at Kingdown on Monday. Both teams played brilliantly and exceeded all of our expectations. There was some confusion on the day regarding results and outcomes of the tournament. The organisers have apologised for this, and subsequently sent out the revised results. Summer class came third in their mini league and get to share the trophy, winning three of their seven matches. Autumn class finished joint second in their league, winning five out of seven games. Well done to all the children who took part and did such a great job of representing the school. And thank you to all our parent supporters, who endured a very soggy evening!



## Message from Mrs Brown

Luke and Joshua and I would like to say a huge thank you to the FOKS for the generous gifts we have received recently. We now have a freezer full of lovely meals in our garage (and finally a very tidy garage!) We also have some money to spend on a day out. We aren't sure where to go yet, but will certainly put the money to good use. The meals are such a thoughtful gift, there are definitely days when I don't feel like cooking, so to be able to pull something wholesome out of the freezer gives me one less thing to worry about. Thanks, once again, for your kindness.



**Autumn Class Residential in Pencelli 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October 2019**