

18th May 2018



KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

19/5 and 20/5 – Scarecrow Trail
22/5 – 9am Autumn Class Coffee Morning
25/5 – last day of Term 5
4/6 – TD Day
5/6 – Start of Term 6 for children
8/6 – Spring Class Theatre Trip
13/6 – Mrs Hermon visiting Newleaze bus stop
18/6-20/6 – Keeping Healthy Days, including workshops in school and visits to the Farm Cookery School
20/6 – Sports Day from 9:30am

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: All of Winter Class for a fantastic Sharing Worship; Isaac, Iris, Evelyn, Martha, Sonny-Bill, Rhys (for passing the 99 Club).

Spring: Fred, Felix, Hugo, Farrell, Imogen, Emily, Frankie-Raine, Max, Isaac (for passing the 99 Club).

Summer: Oscar, Jasmine, Elle, Henry W, Grace, Logan Bittner, Freya (full marks in their spelling test).

Autumn: All of Year 6 for a very positive attitude towards their SATS; Edmund, Charlotte, Will I, Harry, Mason, Bonnie, Dylan, Anakin, Sammie, Isabella, Jonah (for passing the 99 Club)

Message from the Deputy and Head

It is hard in a primary school not to get caught up in the whirlwind of assessment that is going on at this time of year. Year 2 are doing the KS1 SATS assessments throughout May, Year 6 have sat the KS2 SATS tests this week, and teachers across the school are turning their thoughts to writing reports and what children have attained this year. Although all of these things are an important measure, both for individual children as to how much they have learnt and for us as a school to check how well we are doing in terms of teaching children. They form only a small part of assessing how much our children have grown and developed during their time with us. We are at least equally, if not more, proud of the determination we see children display as they try their very hardest and do their very best, than in any score they may come out with from a test. We look forward to celebrating with all our children their very many and varied achievements across the curriculum and beyond as we move towards the end of this school year.

On the following page you will find a letter from Sara Edwards, the CEO of the Acorn Education Trust, asking for volunteers to join the Academy Councils of the schools within our MAT. If this is something you might be interested in, please feel free to ask us any questions you may have or you can contact Acorn directly.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Scarecrow Trail over the weekend, and please remember how appreciative we are of all the time, energy and effort you put into making it such a fun event and a wonderful fundraiser for the school. Thank you very much.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

We are very pleased that we are able to confirm that we will be running both a Breakfast Club and an After School Club in school next academic year (September 2018 – July 2019). Breakfast Club runs from 7:45-8:45am every morning, and After School Club will run after school up to 6:00pm. Miss D will be leading both clubs. Booking and payment for both clubs will be through WisePay, and childcare vouchers can be used. If you are interested in using either club, please let Mrs Fish know, so we can make sure that you receive all relevant information.

Late Register

Please can we remind you that if your child arrives at school after 9:00am, we need you to come into the office to sign the late register. Late arrivals miss registration in class, and if their names are not recorded in the late register we have no official record that the child is on site which can cause problems if an emergency situation arises. Thank you for your support with this matter.



Dear Parents

Every school leadership team needs to be supported and challenged by an Academy Council of Governors, and, I am writing to you today to encourage you to join one of our teams.

This wonderful group of volunteers meets approximately 4 times a year to discuss standards across the school, safeguarding and ensure the unique identity, ethos and culture of the school is maintained. If you would like to shape and influence your son/daughter's school, then this is the ideal opportunity. You may prefer to work in a governing body away from family connections and this would also be possible.

Alternatively, you may know a grandparent, a local neighbour or a friend who is looking to be involved in a community group and would be an ideal governor.

Previous educational experience is not required, simply a desire to make a difference to young people. The Acorn Education Trust provides training, support and guidance as needed.

All our schools are listed below and should you wish to learn more or join, please contact our Governance Adviser Zoe Stockley on zas@acorneducationtrust.com or 01985 224220.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With very best wishes

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sara Edwards".

Sara Edwards
CEO
The Acorn Education Trust

The Acorn Education Trust Schools:

- Avenue Primary School & Children's Centre
- Clarendon Academy (as of 1st June 2018)
- Dilton Marsh Church of England Primary School
- Great Wishford Church of England Primary School
- Heytesbury Church of England Primary School
- Keevil Church of England Primary School
- Kingdown School
- New Close Community Primary School
- St John's Church of England Primary School
- West Ashton Church of England Primary School