

KEEVIL COFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

w/c 13th Sept **–** Reception children in school until 1pm

w/c 20th Sept – Reception children in school all day (following discussion with Winter Class staff)

5th Oct - Flu Vaccinations

11th Oct - Acorn Football Tournament – Years 5/6

18th & 20th Oct – Parents Evening

20th Oct – Last day of Term 1

1st Nov – TD Day (School Closed)

2nd Nov – Start of Term 2

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Well done to all Reception children for a great start to school and to all the Year 1's for being excellent role models and helping the new children.

Spring: Well done to all of Spring Class for settling in really well to the new school year, learning new routines and working hard on getting to grips with learning.

Summer: Well done to Pippy for great contributions in whole class sessions. Well done to Scarlett for settling well into school, and to Elsie for lovely writing.

Autumn: Well done to Thomas, Maisie, Isaac, Maddie, Nieve, Lexie, Max and Farrell who are our new House Captains. Well done to Felix, Emily, Nieve and Thomas for winning the Theme Park Project in class.

Message from the Head

A huge welcome back to the new school year! It has been wonderful to go back to a little more 'normal', with the children being able to mix between classes and us able to offer our full curriculum again. However, it has also proved quite a test for our memories – we have realised that systems and processes that were second nature 18 months ago, we now struggle to recall! But all the staff and children are being fantastically adaptable, and we are relearning as we go.

It is lovely to welcome new children and their families to our community at this time of year. You can see some pictures of what they have all been up to so far on the following page. We are all looking forward to sharing the journey of: Harry Bowring, Reggie Griffiths, Olivia Grubb Jones, Alfie Maguire, Freddie Mildenhall, Clara Mutton, Cataleya Rentes Fernandes, Georgia Suggitt, George Thornton, Lottie Tovey, Freddie Turner, Theo Turner and Mia Wesolowska in YR; Scarlett-Lilly Taylor in Y4; and Fred Sibary in Y6.

Although we are able to relax Covid restrictions to a large extent in school, we are still taking precautions to keep all members of our school community safe and well. We are:

- Maintaining good levels of ventilation in all inside spaces
- Ensuring pupils and staff wash or sanitise their hands regularly
- Promoting 'catch it, bin it, kill it' to prevent the spread of air-borne germs
- Operating an enhanced cleaning regime
- Staff members taking twice weekly LFD covid tests

We also still ask anyone who is showing Covid symptoms (high temperature; new, persistent cough; and/or a loss or change to sense of taste or smell) to isolate and organise a pcr covid test at a testing centre. In line with Government guidance, household members, if they are below 18 years of age or are double-jabbed, no longer have to isolate if someone in their household is a suspected or confirmed case. This means that siblings can continue to attend school whilst others are awaiting test results and if a positive case is

House points				
Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers	
33	27	31	32	

confirmed. As we move towards the season of winter coughs and colds reappearing we appreciate your understanding and support in taking children for a test if they are showing symptoms. If you are ever in doubt as to what is the best and right thing for you to do in a particular situation please contact us in school so we can discuss it with you.

Nut Allergies

A reminder that due to children within our community having life-threatening nut allergies we are a nut-free school. Therefore please do not send your child to school with any nuts or nut containing products as part of their packed lunch or snacks. We need to keep our school free of all nuts, not just peanuts, in order to keep everyone safe and well.

End of Day Routines

Please can all parents/carers who are coming to collect their child(ren) at 3:15pm come in and wait inside the school playground. Now that the whole school is finishing at the same time we cannot monitor children once they have exited the school gate, so we need to know that they are safe and being looked after by an adult when they leave the playground and go out onto the road. Please can we also ask that children are not allowed or encouraged to play on the timber trail at the end of the day. The playground is very busy at this time and we cannot ensure that we are keeping children safe if they are running around.

Harvest Festival

Advanced notice that our school Harvest Festival will be taking place at 2pm on Tuesday 28th September. We will be collecting donations for the Storehouse Foodbank in Trowbridge as usual, and we will send round further information nearer the time regarding items they particularly need at this time. We will need to follow the Church's risk assessments and Covid-safe procedures for the service, and we will let you know in due course if family members will be able to attend.

Up-dating Information

Please can you make sure that you let school know if you have changed your address, email address or phone number. It is vital that we have up-to-date contact information for all children at all times.



















Our first week at Keevil!



An information leaflet for the Public

The project and why

40 million people are estimated to be trapped in modern slavery worldwide:

- 1 in 4 of them are children.
- Almost three quarters (71%) are women and girls.
- Over 10,000 were identified as potential victims by the authorities in the UK in 2019.

There is a significant problem with County Lines across Dorset and Wiltshire. Something must change.

How you can get involved

- Use the various resources to explore County Lines and other forms of modern slavery to raise awareness of the dangers with your family and friends.
- Know who to contact if a crime is being committed (see the Salisbury Diocese for more details (see below).
- iii. Visit the Young People's Art Exhibition in the Cloister area of Salisbury Cathedral.
- Attend some of the virtual guest speaker sessions. Please see the information below.
- Form community action groups with your local school staff and governors, the PTFA, church community, youth groups, local businesses, foodbanks and other organisations.

Guest speakers

We have a range of guest speakers who are talking about various forms of modern slavery.

Date	Time	Guest speaker	Focus of talk
Sunday 17 th October	5:30pm – 6:30pm	Shayne Tyler - Group Compliance Director Fresca Group	The session will further raise awareness of the increasing risks in society and explain how the exploitation model happens in practice. Shane will share his personal stories and what is happening in the labour market. Delegates will then have the chance to understand the signs and how to deal with challenges. Shane will help to 'open eyes' and debunk some of the myths, he will also give practical and effective tips of what people can DO!

Monday 18 th October	2pm – 4pm	Detective Chief Inspector Phil Walker – Wiltshire Police	The main aim of the session is to enable delegates to realise what they can see and what they can do. There will be time to support, answer or redirect any questions. Phil will be talking about the signs and indicators of Slavery and Trafficking, how to spot them and how we can work together to support victims and tackle perpetrators. Phil will also provide an oversight of the current threat of Slavery and Trafficking in Wiltshire and how Wiltshire Police are set up to tackle this.
Wednesday 20 th October	11am – 12 noon	Caroline Virgo Bishop Alastair Rosemary Stiven	Modern slavery and why getting involved in projects is important. This session will include The Mothers' Union role in raising awareness of modern slavery in the community.

Please click here to access further information and to access the talks.

The Young People's Art Exhibition

This is an important part of the project and aims to raise awareness for our young people and adults alike. Sadly, there are many forms of slavery that exist in society both near and far, today. Our young people have been given the opportunity to reflect on some of these and to create artwork which represents their thinking and feelings on this subject.

Please do take the time to visit the Cloister area of Salisbury Cathedral to see our young people's artwork. The Art Exhibition is being opened by Bishop Karen on Friday 15th October 5pm. All are warmly welcome to attend.

The Art Exhibition is free and will be open from 5pm on 15th October until Monday 25th October. Please see the Cathedral opening times.

Website and resources

Further details of all the above can be found on the Salisbury Diocese website.

Sharing the word

We would like as many of you to attend some of the aspects of this project. It is essential everyone talks about the issues and begins to reflect on possible community projects which will help to protect the most vulnerable amongst us, whether that is children, young people or adults.

Please send this leaflet to all your places of work and to your local neighbours. There is a similar leaflet being sent out to schools and church communities.

Thank you.