

27<sup>th</sup> May 2022



## KEEVIL CoFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

### Up-coming Dates:

6<sup>th</sup> June – TD Day (School Closed)

7<sup>th</sup> June – Start of Term 6

7<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Bikeability Group A (Day 1)

9<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Bikeability Group A (Day 2)

9<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Girls Cricket Tournament

15<sup>th</sup> June – New YR Parents Meeting (6pm)

17<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Boys Cricket Tournament

### Message from the Head

Today finds us at the end of what seems like the busiest term we have ever had! It has been so wonderful to be able to open the school up again and plan events that we know we won't have to cancel or change at the last minute, that we have thrown ourselves into doing as much as we possibly can. Next term looks no less busy either! I hope that you and your children have enjoyed all the opportunities they have had. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the school staff who go above and beyond to make trips, events and extra activities happen. These things are always on top of the full-time job which delivering lessons to the children all day, every day in school is. We believe passionately in the benefit and power of such things for the children, which is why staff are always prepared to go the extra mile to make them happen and be successful. But I think the extra workload that this brings is not always visible from the outside. So I am sure that you will join me in saying a huge thank you to all the school staff for everything that they do for the children.

I also want to say a massive thank you to all of you for all the time and effort so many of you gave to the school to make the Scarecrow Trail such a fantastically successful event. It was lovely to feel the buzz around the school and village during the weekend of the event, and to feel the whole community working so well together. The money raised really does make a difference for the children. In just the past couple of weeks, FOKS have funded a whole school concert, a music workshop for Summer Class, new furniture for the playground, the transport for Winter Class's trip to Pizza Express, plus other trips that are coming up next term. Every penny is spent on making the children's education and experiences broader, richer and deeper.

I wanted to share with you some research into the impact of school attendance on children's academic achievements. I appreciate that the odd day here and there can seem to be immaterial to making a difference to how well children perform in school. But the outcomes of the research show definitively the importance of attendance for children's attainment:

- Pupils with higher attainment at KS2 had lower levels of absence over the key stage compared to those with lower attainment.
- Pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and

maths in KS2 SATS in 2019 had an overall absence rate of 4.7% over the key stage, compared with 3.5% among pupils who achieved the expected standard, and 2.7% among those who achieved the higher standard (Greater Depth).

We understand that illnesses do happen and children need time off to rest and recover. But as we make the transition out of the pandemic, it is vital to remember that every day in school makes a difference to children's learning and outcomes.

### In our Good Learning Book this week:

**Winter:** Well done to Lottie and Theo for doing some super writing this week, Olivia and Cataleya for working hard in Maths and Freddie M and Georgia for super reading to Miss Ashdown.

**Spring:** Well done to all of Spring Class on learning how to 'Drag and Drop' on the computer.

**Summer:** Well done to Year 4 for their brilliant residential trip to Danywenallt. Well done to Year 5 for some fantastic auditions, including several solos, for the Summer Production.

**Autumn:** Well done to the whole class for their fantastic auditions, including several solos, for the forthcoming Summer Production.

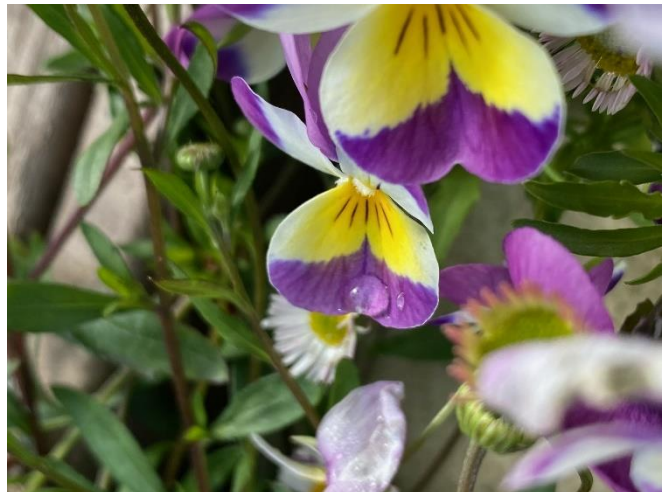
### House points

Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
293	307	309	339

### Go Green Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

We will be having a Go Green Day in school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July organised by the School Council (assisted by Miss Ashdown) and Forest School representatives (assisted by Mrs Wright and Ms Ritchens). Amongst the activities children will be doing is working together to produce a piece of 'bottle lid' art, such as the example to the right. Please collect ALL types of bottle lids between now and then to bring into school to help us create something special. We will be sending out more information nearer the day about the other activities that will be taking place in school to help us all become more environmentally aware and friendly.





Miss Ashdown has been hugely impressed with all the entries to this term's Inter-House Competition, so much so that she couldn't pick a winner! All photographs have earned 3 house points for their house and each house has been judged as a whole based on the number of entries submitted. The final totals are:

**Kestrels – 80 points**

**Buzzards – 49 points**

**Harriers – 27 points**

**Ospreys – 27 points**

Well done Kestrels! Your fantastic team work means you have added lots of house points to your total for this term.



## **Year 4 enjoying their residential trip to Danywenallt in the Brecon Beacons**

The children did us all proud showing great resilience on a 6 mile hike including climbing Tor Y Foel, as well as fantastic independence in being away from home for 3 days and living and supporting one another throughout.



Winter Class having a fun time on their trip to Pizza Express



Many thanks to Ron De La Cruz for supporting Summer Class with their DT Pizza project



Summer Class taking part in a music workshop following on from the clarinet concert enjoyed by the whole school.  
Many thanks to FOKS for funding this.

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PRESENTS:

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### PLATINUM JUBILEE BUNTING

**Date:** Tuesday 31st May  
**Time:** 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm  
**Age:** 5+  
**Cost:** FREE (Tickets issued at 10am for 10.30am & 11.30am sessions and 1pm for 1.30pm & 2.30pm sessions)  
Quiet session: 9.45am - 10.15am.  
Please call 01225 751339 to reserve a place.

Decorate your own bunting ready for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations on 2nd June!

### SCREEN-PRINT PORTRAITURE

**Date:** Wednesday 1st June  
**Time:** 10.30am and 1.30pm  
**Age:** 8+  
**Cost:** £5 per child (tickets bookable via Ticketsource or in the museum.

Get inspired by Andy Warhol's portraits of the Queen and create your own vibrant portraits using screen-printing techniques. Please bring along the portrait photos you would like to use in this workshop.



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1st April - 3rd June

#### WEFT - where do we start, where do we finish?

18th June - 29th October



#### T'IS THE SEASON

14th November - 23rd December

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