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Dear Parents and Carers,

A cold and blustery return to school awaited us this week. The leaves are falling, coats are donned and rosy cheeks are to be seen on the playground. What hasn't changed is your children's immutable spirit for learning and happiness. It has been a pleasure to welcome you all back to school this week and see the learning that has been taking place. I've had regular visitors to my office with pieces of art, writing and more to showcase a wide variety of talents which is always a joy to look at. As you can imagine, my stock of special stickers has taken a hit this week!

Remembrance Day

We warmly welcome you for our remembrance service in school. Please arrive no earlier than 10:30am for a 10:45 start on the playground. We aim to share some examples of our work, readings and laying of wreaths. There will, of course, be a period of silence that we wish to observe and the bell will ring to mark the start and end of this.



Two further pieces of information that you may find useful to be aware of:

1. Children are more than welcome to wear poppies as part of their regular school uniform.
2. A collection tin has been given to school on behalf of the Ollerton Branch of The Royal British Legion so if you'd like to donate (coins only please) this will be collected as you arrive.

Mobile Library Visit

A quick reminder to ensure that any and all books are in school to return to the mobile library service and that any application forms or library cards are in school next week on Monday 9th ready for our school library bus visit.

Swimming Reminder

Another reminder from Miss. Cheyette that next week please could children bring with them their swimming costume, skins or leggings and a long top. For further information, please get in touch with Miss Cheyette or via the office.

Celebration Worship

Please see the information below to find out which children have been selected for our Celebration Worship this week. All the staff at Kneesall send out our congratulations to them on their hard work and deserved praise; well done to each and every one of you!









Robins	Doves	Kingfishers	Eagles
Clementine	Noah	Edie	Aaditiya

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Photographs

A child's time in Primary School is both equally precious as it is fleeting; memories are made and joyous moments are plentiful. As I often say to parents, we are in a privileged position to see the best of your children during the school day. As such, I have a collection of photographs that should speak louder to the fun we've had in school this week than any paragraph I might be able to compose.











After a busy and enjoyable first week back, I hope you get the chance to spend some well-earned time together.

With my best wishes,

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Dates for your diary

As ever, please remember that if there are any changes to dates or, to replace a placeholder, updated dates will be issued with a **red colour**. The most current newsletter will always be the most up to date with regards to events taking place in school.

Upcoming Events **If a date is in red this means it has been updated/changed from a previous newsletter.**		
Date	**Event**	**Further Information**
9th November	**Inspire Educational Library Service Bus in school**	**Please ensure that you have brought back any books and library cards for today so that you are able to exchange and take out a new library book when the bus visits school. The bus comes to school roughly each month, so don't worry if you've forgotten to bring your book this time.**
11th November	Remembrance Day	Parents and carers are invited into school to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice. We plan to welcome you at 10:30am for a 10:45 start on the playground.
16th November	Odd Socks Day	Children are invited to wear their own odd socks to school today as we are led by the Anti-Bullying Alliance alongside children's TV presenter Andy Day and his band, Andy and the Odd Socks.
18th November	Mental Health Workshop	Kingfishers undertaking a resilience workshop with the Mental Health Support Team from Nottinghamshire County Council.
20th November	Children in Need	Children In Need will be supported in school this year. Children will take part in lots of themed activities throughout the day and with a BBC 1 Broadcast starting at 7:00 PM this evening, the message will surely hit home. School Uniform is to be worn but Children in Need accessories are certainly welcomed.
26th November	Christmas Craft Day	All children will spend 30 minutes in their year group with members of the PTA to make a Christmas Craft item which will be taken home on the same day unless it's a little wet and needs to dry! Each year group will produce a unique piece of craft.
2nd December	Secret Shopper	Taking place between 1:00pm and 3:30pm it is £2 per gift or 3 for a £5. The PTA have kindly said they will set up a range of little stalls. I'm sure it will be a delightful afternoon for the children to take part in.
7th December	**Inspire Educational Library Service Bus in school**	**Please ensure that you have brought back any books and library cards for today so that you are able to exchange and take out a new library book when the bus visits school. The bus comes to school roughly each month, so don't worry if you've forgotten to bring your book this time.**
11th December	Rock Steady Winter Music Performance	An end of term performance by those children who participated in Rock Steady Music tuition. All families of the children performing are welcome to attend and celebrate their children's success. Performers are welcome to come in non-

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		uniform for their concert. Please arrive for a 10am start as the children will be doing last minute preparations up until this time.
7th December	Foundation Singalong	Foundation parents are warmly invited to come into school to see their child's performance at **2:45pm**. Please be advised that there will be only **2 tickets** made available per child in Foundation. Children will be collected from classrooms afterwards.
8th & 10th December	KS1 Nativity	Year 1 & 2 parents are warmly invited to come into school to see their child's performance at **2pm**. Please be advised that there will be only **2 tickets** made available per child in Doves. Children will be collected from classrooms afterwards.
10th December	Christmas Day Extravaganza! Christmas Dinner, Jumper and Party Day.	An extravaganza of a day! Please can all children come in their Christmas jumpers (if they chose to). Christmas activities galore will take place throughout the morning, followed up by a Christmas Dinner for lunch and in the afternoon Christmas parties. What a fun day!
18th December	Christmas Service & Christmas Coffee Afternoon	Year 1 – 6 parents are invited to Church to join us for our Christmas Service. Children will sing carols and read aloud poems. We aim to start for 1:15pm. Service will finish for 2pm. Please collect your children from their classrooms **not** from church.
Christmas Holidays: 21st December – 1st January		
4th January	INSET Day	School is closed for a Staff Training Day.
27th January	Year 1 Phonics Check Information Evening	Parents of Year 1 children are invited to listen to an informative talk all about: phonics; the Phonics Screening that will take place in the summer; how you can best help your child prepare; and, most importantly, enjoying reading. Mrs. McMahon and Mrs. Chase will be on hand to answer any questions or queries that you may have. Please arrive at Doves classroom ready for a 3:40pm start. Additionally, your children are more than welcome to attend. A letter will be distributed to parents with further information closer to the time.
7th February	Children's Mental Health Week	Plans are already afoot for a wonderful day in school to celebrate us. We'll allocate a day (closer to the time) where children can come into school as simply themselves. Do you want to be a footballer when you grow up? Perhaps you love wearing green t-shirts with matching joggers? Come as **you.**
February Half Term: 15th February – 19th February		

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