

Kneesall Newsletter

‘Together We Achieve’

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Dear Families,

It is my privilege to witness the children’s daily accomplishments, and I am particularly pleased this week, to share a remarkable piece of poetry that was brought to my attention. I hope you find it as inspiring as I did.

Festive Memories

Long winter nights filled with gloom,
All bitter cold and frosty,
But you’re safe in a fire lit room.

You can see the twinkly lights on the tree,
The glittery baubles hanging,
It just fills your heart with glee.

Then comes Boxing day, the bank holiday everyone loves,
A time to relax amidst the hectic season,
None of that Santa or two turtle doves.

Finally, we have New Year,
With all the resolutions no-one keeps,
And one too many glasses of wine and beer.

It’s a time we mustn’t forget,
Full of family, friends and lots of memories,
In my opinion, it’s the only time you can’t regret.

By Ted Carver, age 10

Warm wishes,
Mrs M

Construction Club

This week our challenge was to recreate landmarks using Lego – can you guess this famous landmark?



We would still love donations of newspaper if you have any!

Attendance

Year to date figure:

Target 97%
Actual 94.9%

The class with the highest attendance this week was:

Class 2
100%



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 23rd January
KS1 Gymnastics
Tuxford Academy

29th January
Phonics Screening Meeting (Y1)

1st February
Cross Country Championships
Workshop

6th February
KS2 Trampoline
Tuxford Academy

Tuesday 11th February
Valentines Disco
3.30-4.45pm

14th February
Last day of half term

Monday 24th February
INSET Day

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11



Virtual Balloon Race

Friends are launching a virtual balloon race, taking place over seven days, starting in Venice on St Valentine's Day.

The Kneesall balloon that travels the furthest could win either a day out for 4 people at Sundown Adventureland or an open trampoline session at i-Jump. Alongside other prizes in the wider competition.

There's also £100 cash or an Alexa/Echo Dot for the overall winners of the race.

Your balloon can be customised to improve its chance of winning, and although they might be virtual balloons, the race uses live weather data, so they'll be battling real conditions on the day!

Balloons cost £3 and anyone can enter, so the children can ask family and friends to buy balloons to increase their chances of winning.

To enter, scan the QR code on one of the posters around school or visit: <https://ecoracing.co/cause/friends-of-kneesall-c-of-e-primary-school-2691/>

Academisation Update

As you know, the school has begun the process to academise and I wanted to update you on our progress.

I can confirm that all necessary steps our end and with the trust have been completed. We are currently awaiting the Local Authority to process the relevant documentation. However, I gather there is a back-log of applications at the LA. Therefore, we do not have a date for completion as yet.

This marks an exciting juncture for our

school community as we prepare to embark on this new chapter.

Rest assured; we will keep you well-informed of any developments as we move forward.



Other Notices

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor in school, the full advert can be found [here](#). It is a notoriously difficult position to fill due to the timings. However, it is also a role that is incredibly rewarding and enjoyable. If you, or anyone you know might be interested we would love to hear from you.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Please be reminded the deadline for Parent Governor nominations in Monday 20th January at 10am. These can be submitted directly to the school office.

Online Safety

This week's tip looks in detail at children's screentime and provides guidance on how to set up parental controls on the most common devices.



Values Award Winners

Foundation

Kindness – Beatrix
Courage - Austin
Faith - Eleanor

Class 1

Kindness – Toby
Courage – Iris
Faith – Albert

Class 2

Kindness – Isabelle
Courage – Toby
Faith – Elis

Class 3

Kindness – Lexi
Courage – Isabella
Faith – Harriet