



# Fortnightly Friday Flyer

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

## Dear Parent,

WOW! What a fabulous half-term and start to the new academic year. It has been inspiring to see the various ways in which classes have responded to our whole school theme of Maps. Each class has selected a different country to study in depth and the quality of work both in school and at home as a result has been outstanding. We look forward to sharing this with you all at our Parent's Evenings after the half-term holidays.

## Bags 2 School

Thanks to Mrs Barton and Mrs Goodlad for organising Bags 2 School this year. The dates for collection are; **Tues 17<sup>th</sup> November**, Fri 11<sup>th</sup> March and Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please fill as many bags as you can with old clothes and textiles to bring into school on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov**.

## Balance Bikes

Taylor Wimpy have kindly offered to support the purchase of ten balance bikes, helmets and associated mini-traffic signal for use in Reception and Year 1. This will help with teaching the younger children how to ride bikes safely. I have also liaised with them regarding the delivery times and the obstructions that have occurred on a few occasions this term. This will form part of their on-site meetings and they have assured me that this is being looked into.

## Parent's Evening

This year (after half-term) we will be introducing an online system for booking Parent's Evening appointments through our website. Full instructions will be sent after the holidays and this will hopefully make the organisation of the evenings easier.

## My Maths & MOTD (Maths of the Day)

Our fabulous PTA have funded two brilliant resources to support the teaching and learning of Mathematics within school and at home. The first one is **My Maths** <http://www.mymaths.co.uk/> that will be used to support the maths curriculum both in school and at home – there is a mix of homework tasks, instructional demonstrations and games. A username and password will be sent home next term so we can start to use this brilliant online resource. **Maths of the Day** <https://www.mathsoftheday.org.uk/> is also a web based resource depository for teachers to link Maths concepts with Physical Education. Staff have had training on how to access the materials and have already started to link to maths concepts.

## Garden Studio

This is now taking shape thanks to the hard work of Mr Elliott laying a new bark floor covering. Thanks also to the Millard family for additional bark. This area is now a more inviting place to work and learn in. We will continue to develop after the half-term. Again, our PTA have been instrumental in supporting this project – thank you.

## JRSO (Junior Road Safety Officers)

Emma and Peter are our JRSO appointed members for this year. This week they had a productive meeting with the regional organiser. They will be raising awareness of safety in its many guises through the year as well as organising and running competitions within school. They are both very keen to be the best JRSO's in the region and are enthusiastic about their new responsibilities.

## Hockey/Football/Cross Country

A huge well done to all of our sporting super stars!!! Please visit the school website under classes <http://www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk/class/sport-at-kelsall> to see all that has been going on. In Hockey both our teams played brilliantly in the Deeside Ramblers tournament with the Y6 taking the number one spot! Our football team dug deep this week to run out winners 3-2 against a strong Upton Heath team. This was a good spirited game with great sportsmanship. MOTM has to go to Seb Powell for some amazing saves.

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## Twitter

Our twitter account has reached the **4000** tweets mark! Thank you to all those who follow and contribute towards the feed. There will a twitter morning on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November** where you can learn how to tweet, hashtag and follow. We can also help you set up your own twitter account. To follow us search for @KelsallSchool or go to the website [www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk)

## Operation Christmas Child

Please return your Operation Christmas Child boxes before the 23<sup>rd</sup> November. On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a OCC coffee morning. The idea of this is to bring in extra shoeboxes and gifts to fill them to boost our donations. If you would like to help please let me know. It would be great if whilst shopping you could grab a few extra items that we can then add to the additional shoeboxes we make. More information to follow.

## Praise Postcards

Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended our Praise Postcard assembly. This weeks' recipients for being all round good eggs are;

Oak (Reception) – **Ali Mahdi & Sophia Lamb**

Beech (Year 1) – **Anna Davies-Patrick & Sebastian Leach**

Ash (Year 2) – **Alice Brookfield & Louisa Plumbley**

Maple (Year 3) – **Emma Whitehouse & Amelia Holmes**

Elm (Year 4) – **Jessica Pawley & Will Millard**

Willow (Year 5) – **Lauren Evans & Olivia Brookfield**

Cedar (Year 6) – **Finn Robinson & Jasmine Bailey**

Tweeter of the Week – Mrs Smith (especially the stretcher image!!)

**Well done to you all! Keep up your fantastic attitudes towards school and learning.**



## Diary Dates

Please refer to the website calendar for all diary dates. Key dates for the rest of the term are;

<b>END OF HALF TERM</b>	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
<b>INSET DAY – Staff Only</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
<b>AUTUMN TERM 2 STARTS</b>	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Bags 2 School Collection	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Parent Evening	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 4:00pm – 7:30pm
Parent Evening	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 4:00pm – 7:30pm
PTA Christmas Fair	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November
Infant Christmas Decoration Day	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
ALL School clubs end	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December
KS1 & KS2 Christmas Performances	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>END OF TERM</b>	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December

Have a half-term – Mr Wearing, Principal

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