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Fortnightly Friday Flyer

17th November 2017

Dear Parent, I hope that you all had a great half-term and are now looking forward to the final term of 2017. As always, we have a great deal planned and will let you know about all the activities and events to come. Please make a note of key dates from this flyer. As a parent myself, I appreciate how busy this time of year can get so we will do our upmost to keep you up to date via e-mail, text and the school's social media.

Routines

Thanks to everyone who is arriving before the gates close ready for a day of learning. When your child arrives at 8:45 promptly it gives them an additional **1hr 15minutes** per week to focus on their handwriting and spelling. That's almost two days of learning time in one term! Starting next week, I am going to close the door and gates at 8:55 promptly to encourage everyone to be as close to 8:45 as possible. Thank you for your continued support with this. In addition, could I remind you to **only** use the pedestrian entrance to come into school. There are still a few of us using the car park entrances which could result in an accident.

Dogs

I am afraid that some members of our community are not following the poop and scoop rules for dog owners. As a result, there have been many occasions this week where children have accidently stepped into dog poo, leading to a less than happy start to the school day. This is a village wide problem. Anything that you can do to help stop this happening would be very much appreciated. A polite reminder to dog owners to clear up after their pets would be a great start.

Uniform

Some of you may have noticed the addition of a black hooded top to the uniform shop. This is intended for use in PE, especially outdoors as the weather gets colder. We've noticed that the children wear their school jumper for PE and would like them to either wear one of the new hoodies or a similar plain black sweater or hoody. You can find them here; <u>https://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/kelsall_primary_school/boys/hoody</u>

We've also updated the school logo for all new uniform. Surplus old stock can be bought at a reduced rate on the website. As the weather gets colder, could you all ensure that your child has a **coat** and hat, gloves, scarf. **SchoolPing**

Apologies for some of the technical errors this week with parent's evening booking this week. Although we find this part of the website useful, it has its flaws, particularly with passwords. This week, I have met with a representative of Ping – a web based app for communicating with parents. We will be moving to this system very soon which will streamline how you book parent's evenings, clubs, receive messages amongst other things. The app will be free to download and can be used on tablets and phones (apple and android) and will negate the need to keep logging in to accounts. I will keep you updated as to when we will change to SchoolPing;

https://www.neweraed.co.uk/products/schoolping/

Amasing

Yesterday, our Y6 took part in Amasing; a huge choir ensemble concert formed from may Cheshire Primary Schools. The choir is hoping to use the recording of the day to get a place on Britain's Got Talent! The children thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this event. We will keep you posted on any developments.

Chester Arts Fair

This weekend, Kelsall will be one of only a handful of schools exhibiting at the prestigious international Chester Arts fair. If you are in Chester, why not pop into see our fabulous work – it is at Chester Racecourse – details here; <u>https://www.chesterartsfair.co.uk/visiting/book-tickets/</u>

Sports Blog

A huge thank you to Miss Creek for collating and celebrating all of our sporting fixtures over this term on the website. You can view the blog here;

http://www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk/blog/a-busy-sporting-week-/23607

'A Love for Learning'

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Praise Postcards

Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended our Praise Postcard assembly. This week's recipients all make links and question brilliantly;

Oak (Reception) – **Robyn & Jayden** Beech (Year 1) – **Peter & Evie** Ash (Year 2) – **Daniel, Jessica & William** Maple (Year 3) – **Bailey & Tasha** Elm (Year 4) – **Ieuan & Max** Willow (Year 5) – **Emma** Cedar (Year 6) – **Daniel & Daisy** Keep up your fabulous **CAN DO** attitudes and your love for learning.

Dates for your diaries All school led clubs end (last week) **Parent's Evening Parent's Evening Praise Postcard Assembly PTA Christmas Fair Christingle** @St Phillips **Community Carols @St Phillips Praise Postcard Assembly PTA Film Night Infant Christmas Production Junior Christmas Production AUTUMN TERM 2 ENDS SPRING TERM 1 STARTS SPRING TERM 1 ENDS** SPRING HALF TERM **SPRING TERM 2 STARTS SPRING TERM 2 ENDS Easter Break SUMMER TERM 1 STARTS Bank Holiday SUMMER TERM 1 ENDS** May Half term break **SUMMER TERM 2 STARTS SUMMER TERM 2 ENDS**

w/b - 20th November 2017 Tuesday 28th November 2017 Thursday 30th November 2017 Friday 1st December 2017 Friday 1st December 2017 – 5pm – 7pm Sunday 3rd December 2017 Thursday 14th December Friday 15th December 2017 Friday 15th December 3:30 – 5:00pm Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th December 1:30pm Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th December 5:30pm Wednesday 20th December 2017 Monday 8th January 2018 Friday 16th February 2018 Friday 16th – Monday 26th February 2018 Monday 26th February 2018 Thursday 29th March 2018 Friday 30th March – Tuesday 17th April 2018 Tuesday 17th April 2018 Monday 7th May 2018 Friday 25th May 2018 Friday 25th May – Monday 4th June 2018 Monday 4th June 2018 Tuesday 24th July 2018

Have a great weekend

Mr Wearing & the Kelsall TEAM.

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