

KEEVIL COFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming Dates:

16th May – Winter Class Trip to Butterfly World 20th & 21st May – Scarecrow Trail 22nd May – Acorn Athletics Festival (Years 3/4) 24th May – Sports Day (9.15am) 25th May – Winter Class Sharing Worship 26th May – Last Day of Term 5

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Well done to Luca and Cayla for being Stars of the Week and to James who made an excellent job of helping to make a shop.

Spring: A big well done to Clara for earning her red handwriting award, Freddie T for earning his yellow award and Skylan for reaching his full pen licence.

Summer: Well done to Hester for being a great computer wizard and to everyone who has worked so hard in our Maths after school club (biscuit club).

Autumn: Massive well done to all of the year 6 children on completing the SATs tests this week. They all worked incredibly hard and all of the school staff are really proud of them.

House points			
Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
319	319	234	323

Message from the Head

It has been KS2 SATs this week in all primary schools across the country. I know that opinion can be very divided amongst professionals and families alike, as to whether this is a good system for assessing outcomes of children, schools, Trusts, etc. But that matters little to the Y6 children, who have no choice but to sit the tests. So I want to say a huge well done to all our Y6 pupils who, without exception, have approached the tests very positively this week and have unquestionably done their best. Whatever their ultimate outcomes, we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. I would also like to say thank you to the Autumn Class team, Mr McCaldon, Mrs Stainer and Mrs Wright, who have gone above and beyond to make the experience as stress-free and enjoyable as possible for the children, including cooking bacon sandwiches for them every morning!

I also have some news to share that is both good and bad this week. At this time of year we look towards our Y6 children moving on to secondary school which we know will bring great opportunities and excitement for them, but leaves us with a sense of loss at their leaving. It is with this mix of feelings that I have to let you know that Mrs Draper will be leaving us at half term. She has secured a job as a Family Support Worker within social services at BANES Council. This is a long held dream of hers, and represents a huge achievement to secure such a role. We are delighted for her to be starting this new chapter in her life, but she will be sorely missed in school. She has worked here for 15 years, bringing joy, understanding and so much more to children and staff alike. She will leave a large hole behind us. I am sure that you join with all of us in school in thanking her for all that she has given to us during her time with us, and wishing her well for her new adventure. In the short term her hours will be covered in Summer Class in part by Mrs Baxter, and we will also be welcoming Miss Norris who has been working as a TA in the Y3/Y4 class at West Ashton School to join the Summer Class team 2 days a week. After School Club will be covered by Miss D and Mrs Baxter. We are waiting on the finalisation of next year's budget from Acorn, which will enable us to plan for and recruit a long-term replacement. I will keep you

informed of these plans and other staffing arrangements for next year as soon as I am able to confirm these.

Sports Day – Wednesday 24th May 2023 9:15-11:45am Keevil Village Field

Once again we are approaching Sports Day! Everyone is looking forward to the event and taking part in lots of different activities and races. For those of you who are new to the school and haven't attended our Sports Day before, the event takes place at the village playing field; the activities are a mix of races in which the children will compete against other students in both their individual year and class groups, as well as a school 'house relay' that involves children from all classes. There will also be a carousel of activities where the children score points for their individual houses, which will be run by our year 6 children.

Please drop your child off at school at normal time on Wednesday, then make your way down to the field. There will be more information to follow in regards to parking arrangements, but we are kindly being allowed to use Keevil Cricket Ground again to prevent cars from parking on the road. Staff members will organise the children in school and then walk them down to the field, aiming to start the events by 9:30am at the latest. We aim for Sports Day to be finished around 11:45am, so that we can bring the children back to school in time for lunch.



















Keevil Coronation Fun!

Many thanks to FoKS for providing a Coronation gift for all the children.



Interhouse Competition

ACORNEDUCATION TRUST COMPUTING PRESENTS

THE FIRST ACORN ACADEMY AWARDS YOUR CHANCE TO CREATE AN AWARD WINNING FILM

CHOOSE FROM 1 OF 3 CATEGORIES:

AWARDS WILL BE OWEN TO

ORIGINAL NARRATIVE (YOUR OWN STORY – 3-5mins) * BEST FILM IN EACH CATEGORY * * BEST DIRECTOR * * BEST EDITOR * * BEST SOUND * * BEST ACTOR *

ADAPTED NARRATIVE (A STORY TAKEN FROM A BOOK/FILM OF YOUR CHOICE – 3-5mins)

> SHORT NARRATIVE (ANY STORY OF YOUR CHOICE – 30secs-3mins)

DOCUMENTARY (BASED ON ANY SUBJECT OF YOUR CHOICE-3-5mins)

Acorn Education Trust are running a film making competition which will form our Inter house competition. You could enter a film as a group of friends (mixed houses is fine), an independent director or maybe as a family unit at home.

Deliver your film as a video file to Mrs Brown (Ib@keevil.wilts.sch.uk) by Friday 9th June to enter. Let Mrs Brown which of the four categories above you have chosen.





Be You Day Retreat Saturday 20 May, 10am - 4pm

Young Persons Mental Health and Wellbeing Woodland Retreat



Mental health and wellbeing workshops Sensory area Experi peaced

> Mindfulness Art therapy Meditation Relaxation

Yoga

Breath-work Physical fitness Massage Join Debs Clark from Vibes and Minds for a mental health & wellbeing day retreat.

Experience the beauty of nature in the peaceful woodland setting at Found Outdoors in Wiltshire.

All sessions are run by experienced practitioners who are DBS checked and fully insured.

Drinks and snacks are provided.

Suitable for families or individual children.

Child ticket £40 Parent/carer £15

For more info contact debs@vibesandminds.org 07896 529229

"Grab some time for you and yours"



Book online at www.vibesandminds.org



Found Outdoors, Townsend Woods, Great Cheverell Wiltshire SNIO 5TW www.foundoutdoors.org Dear Parents & Carers,

The online world is posing an ever-increasing risk to children, and it is important that schools, parents and carers work together to take an active role in teaching children about online dangers. Learning how to act safely when using the internet is an incredibly important part of safeguarding our children.

We would therefore like to remind you that **Acorn Education Trust** have shown our commitment to protecting our pupils online by working with National Online Safety- providing resources for all parents and carers. This work is being led by Kingdown School.

The resources include Parents & Carers courses (presented by Myleene Klass), online video resources and weekly guides covering a huge range of topics, including:

- Online Relationships
- Fake Profiles & Social Bots
- Online Bullying
- Online Grooming
- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Sexual Harassment & Violence
- Sexting
- Live Streaming
- Online Identity
- Screen Addiction
- Online Challenges
- Overspending
- Social Media Platforms

- Online Gambling
- Radicalisation, Terrorism & Extremism
- Age Inappropriate Content
- Copyright & Ownership
- Hacking
- Fake News
- Online Fraud
- Online Reputation
- Personal Data
- Pornography
- Targeted Adverts & Pop-Ups
- The Dark Web
- Games & Trends

To create your account, please follow this link (<u>https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/kingdown-school</u>) and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type.

You can access National Online Safety online via any device- including via our brand-new smartphone app. To download the app, please go to:

https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/national-online-safety/id1530342372 https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.nationaleducationgroup.nos Alternatively, search for 'National Online Safety' in the App Store/Google Play Store.

Answers to frequently asked questions and customer service can be accessed at https://helpdesk.thenationalcollege.co.uk/helpcentre .

Kind Regards,

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