

KEEVIL COFE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

- Up-coming Dates:
- 23rd-27th Feb Book Fair
 - 1st March Parent Coffee Session 0900
 - 4th March Author Visit
 - 7th March Book at Bedtime 6.00pm
 - 12th March Autumn Class Bridge Building
 - 13th March Spring Class Sharing Worship
 - 18th March Summer Class Trip

In our Good Learning Book this week:

Winter: Austen and Alexander for being good friends to others and making great choices when sharing

Spring: A big well done to Vienna and Everly for settling in so well to Spring Class and to Mrs Wright for always working so hard.

Summer: Lottie and Scarlet for positive attitude in fractions. Reuban, Sophia, Daisy, Oscar, Aurelia for 100 reads award. Ellia, Jack, Kalen, Dexter and Michael for 50 reads award.

Autumn: Ethan, Josh, Ted Oscar W and Isla G for their biomes presentation in science.

Message from the Head

Welcome back to school! I hope you had a good break over the half-term holiday, and managed to avoid at least some of the rain...

Term 4 is the time of year in which we undertake to consult with and listen to all members of our school community. We feel we are far enough into the year for everyone to be settled into new routines and expectations and as such are able to give meaningful feedback, but it also leaves us enough time to make a difference if there is anything that people feel could be improved in some way. As well, it is the point of the school year in which we start planning for the next academic year, and so the voices of all our stakeholders are able to contribute to that process.

Over the course of this term we will be conducting a pupil voice questionnaire with all our children, to understand how school feels for them and what works and doesn't work for them. We also run a staff questionnaire, to give all members of staff the opportunity to highlight the aspects of the school that they feel are effective and those that could be improved, as well as suggest new ideas that could be tried. In addition, we also ask you as parents/carers to complete a questionnaire to give us your views about the school. The questionnaire is based on the Ofsted Parent View survey and is designed to give an overall snapshot of your and your child's experience of the school. As Ofsted use the same the survey for every setting that they inspect, the questions are quite generic. We have therefore, included some extra information alongside each question to help prompt you to think about what this means for our school.

You can access the survey by following the link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=iC8pSSNzXUy-ony9UUbbMa_wp9T53H9KrUTkoc20A_xUMkVWWFc20EZJTDBNQVUwUEhKTDVLMjhJSy4u

We really appreciate you taking the time to fill in the questionnaire – your opinions are very important to us. There are 19 questions, the majority of which just involve you choosing the option that best reflects your experience, so it will not take you long to complete. We ask for all responses to be completed by **Friday 8th March**. Any submitted after this time we are afraid will not be considered or included in our analysis.

You have the opportunity to complete the questionnaire anonymously, but there is also the option to include your name and contact details if there are any responses or comments that you would like to discuss with me in more detail. Please remember that if you have any issues or concerns specific to your child, this is not the most effective forum in which to address these. Your child's class teacher is always your best first port of call, followed by me. I know that all of our teachers will always do their utmost to work with you in the best interests of your child.

House points			
Kestrels	Ospreys	Buzzards	Harriers
1092	1221	1124	0971

There will be one further way in which we will be consulting with you all this term, and that will be through another short online questionnaire that will be sent out soon. This has been designed by parents/carers who support the school through roles on the Academy Council and FoKS and is seeking to find and share ways in which pupils' families can make a significant difference to the school and the opportunities that we can provide for all the children.

Book Fair Reminder

The Book Fair will be running in the school hall on Friday 23rd, Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th February. Please see information sent out by Miss Mortimer for more details.

World Book Week!

We are really looking forward to enjoying a whole week of special activities around World Book Day this year. These start on Monday 4th March with a visit by the author M.P. Robertson. If you would like to preorder one of his books, please send the order form (see later page) and the correct cash in an envelope with your child's name on the front in to school by Wednesday 28th February. Books will also be available on the day, with the author selling these in the hall at 3:15pm. If your child is going to an after school club or going home on a bus so you will not be with them at the end of the day, they will need to bring money in if they wish to buy a book and have not pre-ordered.

Amongst lots of lovely activities we have planned, we would like to offer every child a Book at Bedtime! All children are invited into their classes at 6pm on Thursday 7th March wearing pyjamas and with a teddy or cushion! We will make sure everyone has a lovely story and a hot chocolate. Pick up time is to be decided, but will probably be 6:45 or 7pm, we will let you know nearer the time.

We also have a number of other activities planned for the week but we are currently keeping these as a surprise for the children!

Medication

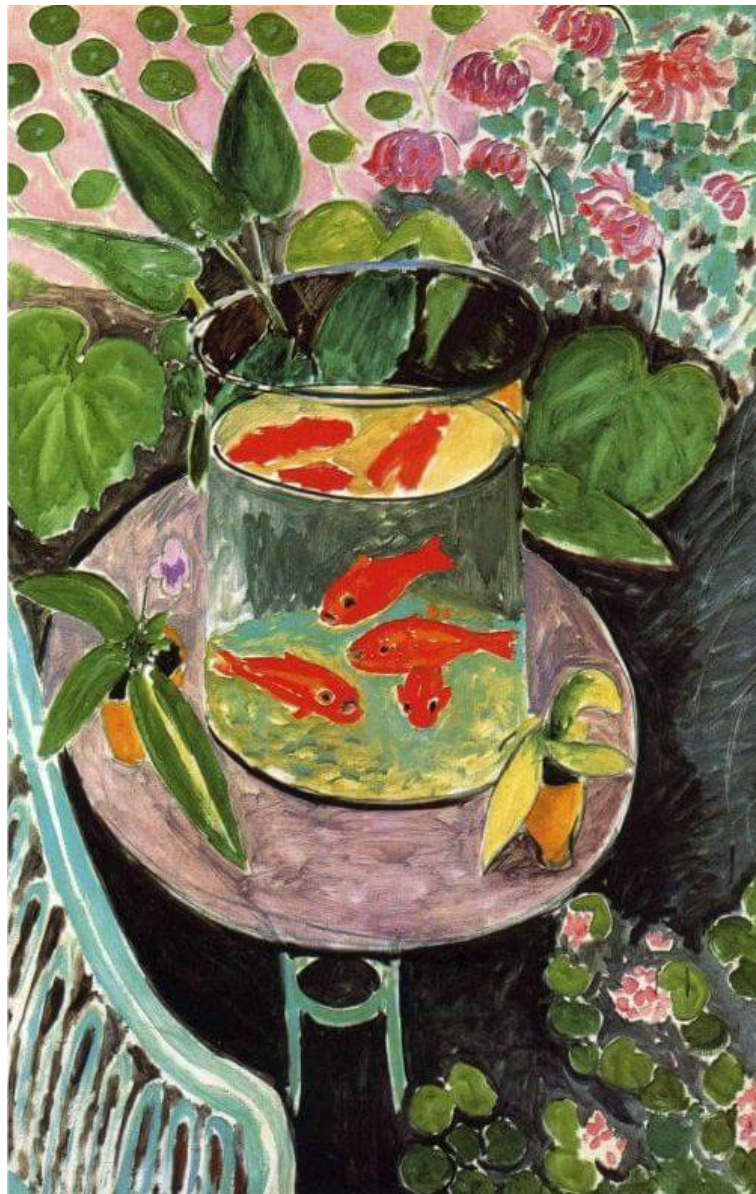
We are very happy to administer medication to children during the day at school if they need this for any reason. But it is vital that parents/carers communicate with a member of staff about this and complete a [permission form](#). Please do not send children into school with medication for them to administer to themselves – this breaks our safeguarding protocols.



Winter Class enjoying Forest School with their Autumn Class Buddies

Piece of the Term – The Blue Danube by Johann Strauss II (1866)

This famous piece of music was originally intended to be a choral work for the Vienna Men's Choral Society. The poem that inspired the music frequently mentioned 'the beautiful blue Danube' which is a river that runs through central and south-eastern Europe including Austria which is where the composer was born. Soon after its premiere performance, Strauss reorchestrated the work as an instrumental piece, which has now become the more famous version. This unofficial national anthem of Austria can be found in several examples of popular culture today. The most famous being the docking scene in the film '2001: A Space Odyssey'. Strauss was a prolific composer of waltzes, polkas and other types of dance music. This music is a waltz which means it has 3 beats in a bar; one very strong beat followed by 2 weaker beats. The tune is performed annually at the conclusion to the Vienna New Year's Day concert. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CTYymbbEL4>



Art Work of the Term – The Goldfish by Henri Matisse (1912)

Matisse was a French artist, known for his use of colour. He was also a draughtsman, printmaker, and sculptor, but is known best for his paintings. Goldfish were introduced to Europe from East Asia in the 17th century and from around 1912, goldfish became a recurring subject in his work and they appear in no less than nine of his paintings, as well as in his drawings and prints. **The Goldfish**, 1912 belongs to a series that Matisse produced between spring and early summer 1912.



Bath Rugby is extending an offer to our community, particularly families and children, to enjoy live rugby at The Recreation Ground this March.

We are excited to offer junior tickets for just £5, adult tickets from £5, as well as a discounted family package.

The first match, a highly anticipated encounter against West Country rivals Gloucester, will take place on 9th March at 2.30pm. The following week, on St Patrick's weekend, Bath Rugby will face Irish and European giants Leinster Rugby on Friday 15th March at 7:15pm.

Tickets can be purchased at:

<http://bit.ly/3I6sIL7>

If you have any queries please let us know. We look forward to welcoming members of your school community to The Rec!

Kind regards,
Bath Rugby Community Team

BOOK ORDER FORM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A BOOK AND YOUR CHILD IS UNABLE TO MAKE THE BOOK SALE PLEASE PLACE A TICK BESIDE THE BOOK(S) YOU WOULD LIKE AND GIVE THE MONEY TO THE TEACHER ALONG WITH THIS FORM. YOU CAN VIEW THE BOOKS AT MY WEBSITE: WWW.MPROBERTSON.COM.

AT THE BOOK SALE CASH IS PREFERRED BUT A CARD MACHINE IS AVAILABLE

- THE EGG.** George discovers an oversized egg in his mother's chicken house. When a dragon hatches out he knows it is his motherly duty to teach the dragon *dragony* ways. **£8**
- THE DRAGON SNATCHER.** George and his dragon travel to an icy world to take on an egg snatching wizard. Can they teach him the error of his evil ways? **£7**
- DARE TO CARE for a PET DRAGON.** A practical guide about caring for a pet Dragon. **£8**
- THE SANDCASTLE.** A boy gets more than he wishes for when his sandcastle becomes a reality. A modern day fairytale with magic shells and mermaids tails. **£7**
- SEVEN WAYS TO CATCH THE MOON.** A gentle rhyming text about a girl who wishes to catch the Moon. Perfect bedtime reading. **£7**
- ICE TRAP** When Shackleton's ship, The endurance, is trapped in pack ice he must lead his men to safety. A story of survival where men's wits are pitted against the elements to survive. **£8**
- FOOD CHAIN.** A naughty little boy sets off a chain of events that he may regret when he tips his pet goldfish down the loo. **£7**
- HIERONYMUS/HERMIONE BETTS and his/her UNUSUAL PETS.** Available in two editions one with boy siblings one with girls, please state which edition you would like. **£7**
- HOW TO GROW AND EAT MONSTER VEGETABLES.** An essential guide to growing and surviving the dangerous task of growing monster veg. **HARDBACK £11**
- CHIP** Is my latest book, a tender LOVE story between two ROBOTS. Highly imaginative and IMHO one of my most beautifully illustrated books. **HARDBACK £11**

£1 of every book sold will go towards funding my visit to your school.
Many Thanks.

