



# KILLIGREW NEWS

13th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

*The Y6 children had a very enjoyable residential trip to Manor Adventure last week.*

*I'd like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Douglas, Mrs Kerner, Mr Kyne, Miss Pepper and Mrs Wicks, who gave up their week to accompany the children. It is only because of the dedication of Killigrew staff that we can provide these fabulous activities for the children. I hope that you enjoy some of the photographs that are in this week's newsletter.*

*The Y6 children who stayed in school last week took on additional responsibilities and were outstanding role models to the younger children-very well done to them.*

*Kindest regards,*

T. Mylotte  
Head teacher

## WhatsApp

We have attached an important leaflet about WhatsApp to this newsletter.



## Attendance

We have had a really good week-nearly every class had over 97% attendance. Thank you for ensuring that your child attends school regularly.

Class	Attendance
Firecrests	98.6%
Skylarks	98.6%
Goldfinches	93.2%
Nightingales	98.4%
Cardinals	98.6%
Parakeets	98.9%
Bluejays	87.9%
Puffins	96.2%
Kingfishers	98.0%
Macaws	97.5%
Pelicans	98.0%
Toucans	96.7%
Eagles	81.9%
Peacocks	98.9%



## RAAC

Further to my earlier communication, I am pleased to confirm that surveyors have carried out a review of an outbuilding and we have no RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete) on premises.

## Table Manners

We are encouraging every child to use a knife and fork to eat their school dinner. If your child cannot use a knife and fork yet, we'd really appreciate it if you could help them to learn or reinforce this important skill at home. Many thanks.



## PGCE Students

This term, we welcome Miss Watts and Miss Murphy who are student teachers in Cardinals and Bluejays.

## Secondary Transfer

If your child is in Y6, I strongly encourage you to make your secondary transfer application before the half term break in case you need any support with the process. The deadline is 31st October.



## Celebrations

We are aware of the cost-of-living pressures on families and there is no expectation at all that parents send in sweets for the class to celebrate their child's birthday or other event.

If you wish to celebrate your child's birthday with the class, we welcome a donation of a book to the class library rather than sending in sweets. If you do this, we will put a book plate inside the front cover to show that you have donated the book.

If you decide to share sweets, please check the ingredients very carefully and do not send in anything containing nuts.

**We cannot give out any food where ingredients cannot be verified.** Many children cannot eat gelatine, which is often found in sweets, as it is an animal derived product and is therefore not suitable for children who are vegetarians for cultural or religious reasons.

If sweets are handed out after school, we ask for your cooperation in ensuring that these are eaten once the children have left school grounds.



## Maths workshops for Parents

I have attached a poster about online maths sessions for parents. These are being run by HCC.



## Hertfordshire Heroes

Hertfordshire Heroes have shared an exciting KS2 art competition with us.

The idea is to create a piece of artwork to spread 'Christmas Cheer' to the armed forces who will be working away this Christmas. The winner will win 'A Day of Adventure' at Northwood HQ. Please see the full letter (on Google Classroom) for further information.



## Parent Teacher Meetings

Don't forget to book your parent teacher consultation meeting via the online booking system.

## Is my child too ill for school?

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Free School Meals

If your circumstances have changed, you may be interested in the following information regarding free school meals for your child.

[Free school meals](#)

## Feedback Form

Please add any positive comments, concerns or suggestions:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UKgBZMCcg0yzyPnqbCwRs9svUSsaXKhlrJlIeIKv0S9UNURUFM2MTYzODILUEk5MVNMOVpCN0lWQy4u>

Name:

Child's Class:

### Dates-Academic Year 2023-24

AUTUMN TERM 2023	
Date	Event
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' evening 3:30pm-6:30pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' evening 3:30pm-6:30pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October am	Poetry Busk (parents and grandparents welcome) PTA Spooktacular Disco
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> -Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half term-school closed
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day-school closed
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Deadline for secondary school transfer applications
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2:15pm	Y5 STEM visit Parent Forum meeting
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Peacocks assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Year 1 Bake Sale
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Y2 trip
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Toucans assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-bullying week
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	School nurse visiting Y6-height and weight checks
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Macaws assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Occasional Day-school closed
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 RAF Hendon visit PTA Year 3 Bake Sale

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 1:30pm	Rehearsal for readers and actors at the Advent Carol Service at the Abbey
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 10:30am-11:30am	Advent Carol Service at the Abbey (Choir-parents and grandparents welcome)
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November am	Flu immunisations
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 9:00am	LKS2 Christmas concert (parents welcome)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2:00pm	UKS2 Christmas concert (parents welcome)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 9:00am	UKS2 Christmas concert (parents welcome)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2:00pm	LKS2 Christmas concert (parents welcome)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9:15am	EY Christmas Play (parents welcome)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 9:15am	EY Christmas Play (parents welcome)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2:15pm	KS1 Christmas Play (parents welcome)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 9:15am	KS1 Christmas Play (parents welcome)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Mr Mitchell's music concert (pm) Christmas jumper day (wear a Christmas or winter jumper)
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Christmas parties
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Christmas parties
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term -school finishes at 2:15pm/2:20pm Non-uniform day for winning house (KS2)
<b>SPRING TERM 2024</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring term begins
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Bluejays assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	KS2 Speech Cup final
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	PTA Year 6 Bake Sale
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Parakeets assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	School Nurse visiting Y6 (TLM health questionnaire)
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	NSPCC number day Goldfinches assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	School nurse visiting YR-health checks
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> February	Feel Good Week
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome) Firecrests assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents evening 3:30pm-6:30pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents evening 3:30pm-6:30pm
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Half term-school closed
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Secondary School allocation day
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (Dressing up)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Eagles assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Year 2 Bake Sale
8 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week

Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day Pelicans assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Mr Mitchell's music concert (pm)
25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> March (evening)TBC	Alban Arena Concert-choir & musicians
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter hat parade (children to bring a decorated hat to school) Non-uniform day for winning house (KS2) Last day of term-school finishes at 2:15pm/2:20pm
<b>SUMMER TERM 2024</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term begins
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	School nurse visiting YR (health checks)
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Kingfishers assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Year R Bake Sale
May TBC	Walk to School Week
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Puffins assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday-school closed
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Cardinals assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
13 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	National Numeracy Day
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 sports day (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half term-school closed
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET day
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> -Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y4 multiplication table checks
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome) Nightingales assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
w.b. 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 phonics screening check week
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Year 4 Bake Sale
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Skylarks assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	School photographer-class photos
24 <sup>th</sup> June-5 <sup>th</sup> July TBC	National Fieldwork fortnight
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA Year 5 Bake Sale
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition day-meet the new teacher
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Infant sports Day Mr Mitchell's music assembly (pm) Annual school report sent home
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Y6 leavers' assembly (parents and grandparents welcome) End of term for children-school finishes at 2:15pm/2:20pm Non-uniform day for winning house (KS2)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	INSET days-school closed