

KILLIGREW NEWS

14th February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have included a few attachments for some half term reading this week! You should receive the Eco Council newsletter, the HFL online safety newsletter and the school nursing team winter newsletter.

To help you to plan ahead, the term dates for the next academic year (September 2025-August 2026) have been added to the bottom of the 'Dates for the Diary section.'

I hope that you have a very enjoyable half term break. I look forward to welcoming you and the children back on Monday 24th February.

Kindest regards,

T. Mylotte Head teacher

Attendance

Cardinals-what an excellent end to the half term-you couldn't have done any better! Ten classes had superb attendance last week-keep it up and you'll all be receiving 'excellent attendance' certificates.

| Class | Attendance |
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| Cardinals | 100.0% |
| Puffins | 99.3% |
| Hummingbirds | 99.1% |
| Parakeets | 98.9% |
| Goldfinches | 98.3% |
| Eagles | 98.0% |
| Peacocks | 97.7% |
| Toucans | 97.1% |
| Bluejays | 96.7% |
| Macaws | 96.2% |
| Nightingales | 95.7% |
| Skylarks | 95.2% |
| Firecrests | 94.6% |
| Pelicans | 93.6% |
| Kingfishers | 92.1% |

Online Safety

The children took part in Safer Internet Day on Tuesday, so we thought it was a good time to share the HFL Education Spring Term online safety newsletter for parents. It includes reviews and details about:

- Safer Internet Day
- Guides and toolkits
- Instagram Updates
- Roblox Safety Updates

It has come to our attention that some children's homework is written in a very different style to their work in school. This guide to ChatGPT may be useful! https://www.childnet.com/blog/what-do-ineed-to-know-about-chatgpt-a-guide-forparents-and-carers/

Eco Council

This half term, Eco Council took part in the RSPB Schools' Birdwatch. Please see the attached newsletter as Eco Council has included some information about birdwatching in case you would like to try.

Sports Update

Killigrew v Bowmansgreen

It was a thrilling match against Bowmansgreen. The first half saw a lovely goal from Rory. Bowmansgreen tried to make some attacks, but Killigrew defended them brilliantly with some great saves from William S. The second half saw another 2 goals from Killigrew making it a 3-0 victory!

Goals: Rory, Kiko & Oran Assists: Kiko, William S & Archie POM: Charlie It was a great match! **By Arthur**

Nursery Applications

Don't forget that if your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, they may start at Killigrew Nursery in September 2025. The deadline for applications is Friday 21st February which is during the half term holiday.

School Nursing Team

Please find attached the Winter Term newsletter from the school nursing team.

Free School Meals

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

Vacancies

If you are interested in joining our staff team, we are currently recruiting for Midday Supervisory Assistants (MSAs). The role is from 12:00pm-1:15pm and involves supervising children on the playground, hall and dining room. It does not involve cooking or serving food.

As part of our safeguarding procedures, a DBS check will be carried out. If you are interested in this position, please contact us and we will provide further information.

Is my child well enough for school?

If you're not sure whether to send your child to school when they are unwell, this link may be useful.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-childtoo-ill-for-school/

Dates for the Diary 2024-25

| Spring Term 2025 | | |
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| 17th February -21st February | Half term holiday (school closed) | |
| Thursday 6 th March | World Book Day (dressing up) | |
| w.b. 10 th March | Bling Your Bike | |
| Friday 7th March (after school) | PTA Wonderlicious chocolate bar sale | |
| Saturday 8 th March | Y6 netball tournament | |
| 10 th March | Science Week | |
| | Science show for EYFS/KS1 | |
| | Y4 'ecosystem explorers' science workshop | |
| | Y6 'epic electricity' science workshop | |
| Tuesday 11 th March | Y5 visit to STAHS (science) | |
| | Y3 'lights, colour, action' science workshop | |
| Friday 14th March | Y3 Bluejays class assembly (parents and grandparents | |
| 9:00am | welcome) | |
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| Tuesday 18 th March | Y1 local walk | |
| <mark>Monday 24th March</mark> | School nursing team (YR screening checks for younger | |
| | <mark>children)</mark> | |
| Tuesday 25 th March | Y5 Volcano workshop | |
| Friday 28 th March 2:30pm | Mr Mitchell's concert (parents and grandparents welcome) | |
| | Classes TBC | |
| Monday 31 st March | Alban Arena concert (choir) 7:00pm | |
| Tuesday 1 st April | Y2 trip to St Stephen's Church | |
| (Spring Term 2025 date TBC) | Y5 Mini Police assembly (parents and grandparents welcome) | |
| Friday 4th April | Last day of term (school closes at 2:15pm) | |
| 7th April -21st April | Easter holiday (school closed) | |
| Summer Term 2025 | | |
| Tuesday 22nd April | Children return to school | |
| | School nursing team (YR screening checks for younger | |
| | children) | |
| Wednesdays /Thursdays | Y3 & Y4 weekly tennis lessons begin | |
| Friday 25 th April | Y2 Parakeets class assembly (parents and grandparents | |
| 9:00am | welcome) | |
| | Y2 Scooterbility | |
| 3:20pm-3:45pm | Y1-Y6 Book Look (parents and grandparents welcome) | |
| Monday 28 th -Wednesday 30 th | Y5 residential school journey | |
| April | | |
| Friday 2nd May | Y5 Toucans class assembly (parents and grandparents | |
| 9:00am | welcome) | |
| Monday 5th May | Bank Holiday (school closed) | |
| Thursday 8 th May | Y3 trip to St Albans Cathedral | |

| 24th July 2025-3rd September | Summer holiday (school closed) |
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| Wednesday 23 rd July | INSET Day (school closed) |
| Tuesday 22 nd July | INSET Day (school closed) |
| Monday 21 st July | INSET Day (school closed) |
| Friday 18th July | Last day of term (school closes at 2:15pm) |
| | Classes TBC |
| 2:30pm | Mr Mitchell's concert (parents and grandparents welcome) |
| 9:15am | Infant Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome) |
| Friday 11 th July | |
| Thursday 10th July | Transition day (meet the new teacher) |
| Wednesday 9 th July 9:00am | Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome) |
| Tuesday 8 th July 9:00am | Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome) |
| Friday 27 th June | Y1-Y6 Book look (parents/grandparents welcome) |
| Thursday 26 th June | YR trip to the Roald Dahl Museum & Story Centre |
| | welcome) |
| Friday 20th June 9:00am | YR Skylarks class assembly (parents and grandparents |
| Wednesday 18 th June | Y4 Egyptian Day |
| Monday 16 th June | Class photos |
| Monday 9 th -Friday 13th June | Y1 phonics screening check week |
| Tuesday 3rd-Friday 13th June | Y4 multiplication tables check |
| 9:00am | welcome) |
| Friday 6th June | Y4 Macaws class assembly (parents and grandparents |
| Monday 2 nd June | INSET Day (school closed) |
| Monday 26th-Friday 30th May | Half term holiday (school closed) |
| Friday 23 rd May 9:00am | KS2 Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome) |
| Monday 12 th -Thursday 15th May | KS2 SATS week |
| | welcome) |
| Friday 9th May 9:00am | Y1 Nightingales class assembly (parents/grandparents |

Term Dates 2025-2026

| Autumn Term 2025 | | |
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| Wednesday 3rd September | INSET day (school closed) | |
| Thursday 4th September 2025 | Term begins | |
| Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025 | Half Term (school closed) | |
| Monday 3rd November 2025 | INSET Day (school closed) | |
| Friday 19th December 2025 | Term ends (finish one hour early) | |
| Spring Term 2026 | | |
| Monday 5th January 2026 | INSET day (school closed) | |
| Tuesday 6th January 2026 | Term begins | |
| Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026 | Half Term (school closed) | |
| Friday 27th March 2026 | Term ends (finish one hour early) | |

| Summer Term 2026 | | |
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| Monday 13th April 2026 | INSET day (school closed) | |
| Tuesday 14th April 2026 | Term begins | |
| Monday 4th May 2026 | May Day Bank Holiday (school closed) | |
| Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026 | Half Term (school closed) | |
| Monday 1st June 2026 | INSET Day (school closed) | |
| Wednesday 22nd July 2026 | Term ends (finish one hour early) | |
| Thursday 23rd July 2026 | Occasional Day (school closed) | |

Feedback Form

Please add any positive comments, concerns or suggestions:

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Name:

Child's Class: