



# KILLIGREW NEWS

15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents,  
I hope that you found the curriculum meetings helpful and that you now have a good overview of the year ahead. If you were unable to attend, the slides can be found on Google Classroom/Tapestry.

To further support your planning, I have attached a list of the dates for the year to the bottom of this newsletter. We hope to keep to these dates but as we have published the dates so far in advance there is a possibility that we may have to make minor changes. If there are any additions or changes I will highlight these each week so that you have the most up to date version.

Kindest regards,

T. Mylotte  
Head teacher

## Parent Teacher Consultations

We are holding our Parent Teacher Consultation meetings in just over four weeks' time, when the teachers will have a good understanding of your child's strengths and areas for development. We will be sending out information about the online booking process shortly.

In order for us to provide the most useful platform for these meetings, please can you respond to our 'one click' survey to indicate if you would prefer a face to face or online meeting. We will then decide whether we are holding two face to face meetings or whether one night will be face to face and one will be online.

## Attendance

We have had an excellent start to the term. We aim for over 96% attendance and nearly every class has achieved this. We must give a special mention to Puffins and Kingfishers for 100% attendance last week.

Class	Attendance
Firecrests	97.2%
Skylarks	92.1%
Goldfinches	98.9%
Nightingales	99.5%
Cardinals	99.6%
Parakeets	96.4%
Bluejays	97.9%
Puffins	100.0%
Kingfishers	100.0%
Macaws	96.5%
Pelicans	98.7%
Toucans	97.0%
Eagles	99.3%
Peacocks	99.0%

## School Timings

Thank you for your efforts in ensuring that your child attends school regularly and on time each day. The registers are taken promptly at 8:50am (juniors), 8:55am (infants) and 9:00am (nursery).

Children may enter the premises just before 8:40am if they are attending the soft start. If your child arrives before then, please supervise them on the playground as the teachers and teaching assistants are busy preparing their classrooms for the day ahead.

## Class Assemblies

We warmly welcome you to attend your child's class assembly. The assemblies take place on Fridays at 9:00am in the hall and usually last approximately 20 minutes. If you bring younger siblings we would appreciate it if you could take them out for a short while if they become unsettled so that it is not distracting for the performers and other audience members.

Date	Class/Year group
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 school journey
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Peacocks
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Toucans
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Macaws
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Bluejays
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Parakeets
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Goldfinches
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Firecrests
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Eagles
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Pelicans
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Kingfishers
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Puffins
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Cardinals
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Nightingales
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Skylarks

## Parent Forum

Our Parent Forum group was set up to promote two-way communication between parents and school e.g.

- as an avenue to discuss and inform parents about school initiatives
- to request support and understanding about the work of the school
- to ask questions
- to praise an aspect of school life.

One representative from each class meets with Miss Mylotte in school on a termly basis, usually at 2:15pm on a Thursday. If you would like to become the rep for your class please email [admin@killigrew.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@killigrew.herts.sch.uk) and mark the email 'Parent Forum rep'.

## Music

We are delighted to inform you that Y4 will be participating in an exciting music project soon where they will all be learning the cornet. We are really looking forward to seeing how they get on and watching them perform later in the year!

## Emergencies

We recently took delivery of a DfE funded defibrillator. We hope that we never have to use it, but it is reassuring to know that we have one in our infant building.

## Is my child too ill for school?

You may find this NHS link useful to help you decide whether or not to keep your child off school or nursery when they are unwell.

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

## Infant Sports Day

What a successful morning EYFS and KS1 Sports day was just before the summer break. We had rain and shine which the children fully embraced and powered through the wet periods.

They took part in seven different activities including bean bag throwing, netball shooting, football shoot out, sprinting, egg and spoon race, the hurdles and tennis.





Our brilliant sport and play leaders demonstrated the activities fantastically and gave the children PE Value stickers when they were impressed. We learn these values in PE and in extra-curricular activities: self-belief, determination, passion, team work, respect and honesty.



## Tweet Weeks

Please follow our Twitter page

[@KilligrewSchool](https://twitter.com/KilligrewSchool)

Each class has a 'Tweet Week' when we post photos and details of the activities that the children have been enjoying.

Here are the dates for the 'Tweet Weeks' for your reference. Work or photos will be posted shortly after each year group's Tweet Week.

Year Group	Week commencing
Year 1	11 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 2	18 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 3	25 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> October
Year 5	16 <sup>th</sup> October
Year 6	30 <sup>th</sup> October
Reception	6 <sup>th</sup> November
Nursery	13 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 1	20 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 2	27 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 3	4 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 4	11 <sup>th</sup> December
Whole school	18 <sup>th</sup> December

## Feedback Form

Please add any positive comments, concerns or suggestions:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UKgBZMCcg0yzyPnqbCwRs9svUSsaXKhIrJIIeIKv0S9UNIJRUFM2MTYzODILUEk5MVNMOVpCN0IWQy4u>

Name:

Child's Class:

### Dates-Academic Year 2023-24

AUTUMN TERM 2023	
Date	Event
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September 4:30pm	YR, Y5 & Y6 Meet the teacher meeting
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 4:30pm	Y3 & Y4 Meet the teacher meeting
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 4:30pm	Y1 & Y2 Meet the teacher meeting
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	School photographer-individual and sibling photographs
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 8:45am	Secondary Transfer meeting for Y6 parents
1 <sup>st</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> October	Black history month
2 <sup>nd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 residential visit
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 9:15am	YN & YR Harvest assembly (parents welcome)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 9:15am	KS1 Harvest assembly (parents welcome)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 9:00am 3:20pm-3:45pm	Y6 school journey assembly Book Look (parents welcome)
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)
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> October 2:15pm	Parent Forum meeting

Friday 3rd November	Peacocks assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
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
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
<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
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 7th March	World Book Day (Dressing up)
Friday 8th March	Eagles assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
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)
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	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)
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
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
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
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	INSET days-school closed