



KILLIGREW NEWS

22nd March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have added lots of information this week about external services that may be useful for you and your family.

Don't forget that this term ends on Thursday 28th March. Next Thursday is also our Easter hat parade. We look forward to seeing the children wearing a decorated Easter or Spring hat. There will be a prize for the best hat!

As usual, school will close one hour early on the last day of term. I hope that you have a very enjoyable break and look forward to seeing you and the children on Monday 15th April.

Kindest regards,

T. Mylotte
Head teacher

Attendance

Well done to Eagles for the highest attendance for the second week running!

Class	Attendance
Eagles	99.6%
Hummingbirds	97.8%
Firecrests	97.3%
Macaws	97.3%
Puffins	97.0%
Bluejays	95.6%
Goldfinches	95.5%
Parakeets	95.0%
Pelicans	95.0%
Toucans	95.0%
Nightingales	94.3%
Cardinals	93.4%
Skylarks	91.0%
Peacocks	90.0%
Kingfishers	89.6%

Science Week 2024

This year, the theme of British Science Week was 'Time'. We started off the week with an exciting assembly show led by Lightning Lauren from Mad Science, who took us through some fascinating scientific discoveries and demonstrations. Thank you to the PTA for funding this experience - the children really enjoyed it!

Throughout the week, the children focused on 'observing over time' and enjoyed working scientifically together in their classes. They also travelled back in time to learn about a key scientist in history.

On Thursday, KS2 were visited by Dr Gray from St Albans School who led another thought-provoking assembly featuring some very exciting demonstrations involving elephant toothpaste and fire.



Year 6 were then lucky enough to take part in a workshop on evolution where they examined real animal skulls and learnt more about Darwin's finches.

Thank you very much to Miss Pepper for organising Science Week.



Families First

Families First is the term used in Hertfordshire for services that work together to support families who need extra help.

We all experience difficulties at some point. Families First can help you find early help and information to prevent issues from getting worse.

If you need more help than your usual support network e.g. your health visitor, school, doctor or family centre, Families First can work with you and your family to create a package of support.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/families-first/families-first.aspx>

School Meals

The cost of a school meal will be £3.35 from next term.

School Nursing Team

The school nursing team are having their first live Q&A on Instagram. This will take place during the Easter Holidays, on 10th April 2024.

Two school nurses will host the session and will be able to answer questions submitted on the day. The session is aimed at parents and children who have questions about their service or health and wellbeing. Please see the attached leaflet for further information.

Health News

The link below contains useful advice and guidance on common illnesses that may affect families this spring as well as some information for young people across Hertfordshire.

[SPRING Healthier Together Newsletter \(hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk\)](https://hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk)

Local Roads

If you park in the local roads, please can you check carefully to ensure that you have not parked on the grass verge. Due to the amount of wet weather, the grass gets churned up quickly and will take a long time to repair. Many thanks.

PTA News

Thank you for all your amazing support this term - the Wonderlicious Chocolate sale raised £725 while Year 2's cake sale brought in another £237.15!

Remember to join us for the Eggstastic Easter Event after school on Wednesday 27th March - details on the attached poster. If you are able to volunteer to help on the day please go to <https://volunteersignup.org?RFDT8> or let your class rep know.

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](#)

Is my child too ill for school?

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

Feedback Form

Please add any positive comments, concerns or suggestions:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UKgBZMCcg0yzyPnqbCwRs9svUSsaXKhlrJlleIKv0S9UNURUFM2MTYzODILUEk5MVNMOVpCN0lWQy4u>

Name:

Child's Class:

Dates-Academic Year 2023-24

SPRING TERM 2024	
Date	Event
Monday 25 th March (evening)	Alban Arena Concert-choir
Wednesday 27 th March	PTA Eggstastic Easter Event 3:15pm
Thursday 28 th 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
SUMMER TERM 2024	
Date	Event
Monday 15 th April	Summer term begins
Friday 19th April 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome)
Monday 22 nd April	Y3 trip
Wednesday 24 th April	School nurse visiting YR (health checks)
Friday 26th April	Kingfishers assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 29th April	PTA YR Bake Sale
May TBC	Walk to School Week
Friday 3 rd May	Puffins assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday-school closed
Friday 10 th May	Cardinals assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
13 th -16 th May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 17 th May	National Numeracy Day
Friday 24 th May	KS2 sports day (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 27 th -Friday 31 st May	Half term-school closed
Monday 3rd June	INSET day
Tuesday 4 th - Friday 7 th June	Y6 Bikeability (optional-more information to follow)
Tuesday 4th-Friday 14th June	Y4 multiplication table checks

Friday 7 th June 3.20pm-3.45pm	Book Look (parents welcome) Nightingales assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
w.b. 10 th June	Y1 phonics screening check week
Monday 10 th June	PTA Year 4 Bake Sale
Friday 14 th June	Skylarks assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Tuesday 25 th June	Y2 trip
Wednesday 26 th June	School photographer-class photos
24 th June-5 th July TBC	National Fieldwork fortnight
Monday 8 th July	PTA Year 5 Bake Sale
Tuesday 9 th July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 10 th July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Thursday 11 th July	Transition day-meet the new teacher
Friday 12 th July 9:00am	Infant sports Day Mr Mitchell's music assembly (pm) Annual school report sent home
Friday 19 th 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 nd & Tuesday 23 rd July	INSET days-school closed

Term Dates 2024-25 (Next academic year)	
Monday 2 nd September 2024	INSET Day (school closed)
28 th October 2024-1 st November 2024	Half term holiday (school closed)
23 rd December 2024-3 rd January 2025	Christmas holiday (school closed)
17 th February 2025-21 st February 2025	Half term holiday (school closed)
7 th April 2025-21 st April 2025	Easter holiday (school closed)
26 th May 2025-30 th May 2025	Half term holiday (school closed)
24 th July 2025-3 rd September 2025	Summer holiday (school closed)

*Please note that we will add 4 **INSET days** and 1 **Occasional day** (when the school is closed) for 2024-25 later in the year.