



# KILLIGREW NEWS

31st January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from Mrs Beames art assembly at the beginning of term, we are delighted to announce that we are having an art competition for children in KS1 and KS2. Please see the attachment for further details.

To give the children plenty of time to create their artwork, the closing date will be 26th February.

We've already had several children speaking to us about how much they are looking forward to entering the competition which is great!

We look forward to seeing lots of amazing pieces of art which Mrs Beames will display around school.

Kindest regards,

T. Mylotte  
Head teacher

## Early Help Services

Families First is the name of the 'Early Help' services run by Hertfordshire. Families can access help and support for all sorts of issues e.g. parenting advice and courses, school attendance and anxiety, money advice, domestic abuse, the SEND local offer and much more.

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

## Science Week

We have an exciting Science Week coming up after half term. We are very grateful to the PTA who agreed to fund an exciting science show and workshops. Thank you to Miss Pepper for organising science week.

## Attendance

Well done Cardinals-you jumped to the top of the table as well as maintaining your excellent 99% attendance from last week. Kingfishers deserve a special mention too as you jumped from near the bottom to nearly the top of the table!

Class	Attendance
Cardinals	99.0%
Kingfishers	98.6%
Parakeets	98.4%
Goldfinches	98.0%
Toucans	97.1%
Macaws	96.9%
Bluejays	96.7%
Nightingales	96.3%
Firecrests	95.8%
Pelicans	95.2%
Puffins	94.7%
Peacocks	94.7%
Hummingbirds	94.6%
Eagles	89.0%
Skylarks	88.8%

## Music Making Days

These are opportunities to explore music through hands on activities and collaborative group sessions in a fun and supportive environment.

### Key Information:

- **Who is it for:** Children aged 6-11, no prior musical experience needed.
- **Where:** St Albans Music School (Townsend School)
- **When:** 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> February 2025
- Get a day pass for £49/day or save more with a full week access pass for £200-a £45 saving.
- **Sign up deadline:** Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025.
-  **Booking link:** <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/75958?>

## **Emotional Literacy**

Please see the attached 'Top 10 tips for parents to support emotional literacy.' You may well do lots of these already, but it's a nice reminder about things we can all do to help the children.

## **Sports Update**

Last Thursday afternoon, our A-team faced off against Alban City in freezing conditions. But that didn't stop us from storming to a 5-0 win!

Jacob got the ball rolling in the first ten minutes with a cracking goal. Finn doubled our lead just before half-time. In the second half, Finn was unstoppable, scoring twice more to complete his hat-trick and make it 4-0. Jacob sealed the deal with his second goal. Clayton made some incredible saves, earning a clean sheet for the match.

Man of the match: Jacob

**By Michael**

## **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](#)

## **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-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Dates for the Diary 2024-25

<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	
w.b. 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	'Take One Picture' 2026 launch (artist visiting)
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Y1-Y6 Book look (parents/grandparents welcome)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2:00pm-2:30pm	Drumming assembly (Macaws and Kingfishers)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm-6:30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation meetings (parents welcome)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm-6:30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation meetings (parents welcome)
17 <sup>th</sup> February -21 <sup>st</sup> February	<b>Half term holiday</b> (school closed)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (dressing up)
w.b. 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Bling Your Bike
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March (after school)	PTA Wonderlicious chocolate bar sale
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 netball tournament
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week Science show for EYFS/KS1 Y4 'ecosystem explorers' science workshop Y6 'epic electricity' science workshop
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 visit to STAHS (science) Y3 'lights, colour, action' science workshop
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 9:00am	Y3 Bluejays class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1 local walk
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	School nursing team (YR screening checks for younger children)
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 Volcano workshop
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm	Mr Mitchell's concert (parents and grandparents welcome) Classes TBC
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Alban Arena concert (choir) 7:00pm
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Y2 trip to St Stephen's Church
(Spring Term 2025 date TBC)	Y5 Mini Police assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of term (school closes at 2:15pm)
7 <sup>th</sup> April -21 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Easter holiday</b> (school closed)
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Children return to school
Wednesdays /Thursdays	Y3 & Y4 weekly tennis lessons begin
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 9:00am	Y2 Parakeets class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome) Y2 Scooterbility
3:20pm-3:45pm	Y1-Y6 Book Look (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> -Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Y5 residential school journey

Friday 2nd May 9:00am	Y5 Toucans class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y3 trip to St Albans Cathedral</b>
Friday 9th May 9:00am	Y1 Nightingales class assembly (parents/grandparents welcome)
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> -Thursday 15th May	KS2 SATS week
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 9:00am	KS2 Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 26th-Friday 30th May	<b>Half term holiday</b> (school closed)
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET Day (school closed)
Friday 6th June 9:00am	Y4 Macaws class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
Tuesday 3rd-Friday 13th June	Y4 multiplication tables check
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 13th June	Y1 phonics screening check week
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Class photos</b>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Y4 Egyptian Day
Friday 20th June 9:00am	YR Skylarks class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>YR trip to the Roald Dahl Museum &amp; Story Centre</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1-Y6 Book look (parents/grandparents welcome)
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Thursday 10th July	Transition day (meet the new teacher)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 9:15am 2:30pm	Infant Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome) Mr Mitchell's concert (parents and grandparents welcome) Classes TBC
Friday 18th July	Last day of term (school closes at 2:15pm)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET Day (school closed)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET Day (school closed)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	INSET Day (school closed)
24th July 2025-3rd September	<b>Summer holiday</b> (school closed)

**Feedback Form**

Please add any positive comments, concerns or suggestions:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UKgBZMCcg0yzyPnqbCwRs9svUSsaXKhrJIleIKv0S9UNIJRUFM2MTYzODILUEk5MVNMOVpCN0IWQy4u>

Name:

Child's Class: