



KILLIGREW NEWS

4th April 2025

Dear Parents,

Well, the time has finally come for me to say goodbye to you all. It has been an honour to serve you and your children.

When I first joined the Killigrew community, I could never have imagined how long I would be here or how deeply I would come to care for the school and the families who make it so special.

Thank you for your support over the years- your involvement in your children's education and your kindness have made my job so much easier and at times it didn't even feel like a job!

While I will miss you all greatly, I will take fond memories of the children, parents and grandparents with me. I am usually out and about locally so do come and say hello whether it is in the coming weeks, months or years.

I love to catch up about past pupils and I was delighted to have a visit today from a young man in his twenties who used to sit on my carpet to have a chat about behaviour!

Thank you for allowing me to be part of your children's journey- I wish you every success and happiness for the future.

Kindest regards,

T. Mylotte
Head teacher

Attendance

After lots of absence in the Autumn Term, we have ended the Spring Term on a high. Our current attendance figure for the year is 96% which is much higher than the national picture- well done everyone! Good attendance makes such a difference to the children's learning and enables them to do their very best. Very well done Cardinals for ending the term at the top of the table for the Spring Term.

Class	Attendance
Cardinals	99.1%
Goldfinches	98.5%
Bluejays	97.3%
Hummingbirds	97.1%
Nightingales	96.6%
Peacocks	96.5%
Kingfishers	96.2%
Puffins	96.2%
Toucans	96.1%
Pelicans	95.8%
Macaws	95.7%
Parakeets	95.1%
Firecrests	94.4%
Skylarks	94.2%
Eagles	93.9%

Message from Mrs Morley

It has been an absolute privilege to work alongside such a wonderful community of children, staff, and families at Killigrew and the nine years I've worked here really have flown by! I have cherished the opportunity to work with your children and watch them grow, learn, and be so proud of their own achievements. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for the kindness and collaboration that I have experienced during my time here and I take with me so many happy memories. I wish you all the very best for the future.

Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue

St Albans Fire Service visited Y2 on Monday.



They spoke to the children about what to do in a fire, important things to remember and how advanced the fire service has become since 1666.



They also got to see the fire engine, feel how heavy some of the tools are and spray the hose.



They had lots of fun!



Tennis Lessons

We have arranged for Y3 & Y4 children to have professional tennis coaching at Greenwood Park for the summer term. There will be no charge to parents for this.

Theatre Show

Pākiki Theatre presents 'The Big Herts Hero Hunt!', an interactive theatre show, exploring Hertfordshire's wonderful heritage. Details of the show:

[https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/events-and-things-to-do/find-a-library-event.aspx?searchKeywords=Hero&page=1&resultsPerPage=10&view=list&distance=0&when=0&nocache=.](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/events-and-things-to-do/find-a-library-event.aspx?searchKeywords=Hero&page=1&resultsPerPage=10&view=list&distance=0&when=0&nocache=)

The show will introduce suffragist Louisa Puller, racing driver Lewis Hamilton, scientist Alfred Russell Wallace, writer and illustrator Beatrix Potter, well-being pioneer Ebenezer Howard and daredevil Dolly Shepherd!.

The audience will help the Hero Hunters discover these people and their legacy using clues, a map, problem solving, drama, fun facts and time travel, working as a team to uncover the future heroes of Hertfordshire. It is most suited for children aged 6+ and their families. All in attendance must have a ticket.

Year 2 Visit

On Tuesday, we visited St Stephen's Church.



We listened to Reverend Charlie tell us about the Church and the importance of symbols in the Church. We recapped learning from Year 1 on Baptism. We went on a scavenger hunt around the Church to find different symbols and items.

Early Years Childcare

Demand for early years childcare in Herts is increasing following the expansion of the childcare support entitlements for working families.

As a result, Hertfordshire County Council would like to promote the opportunity for individuals wishing to start their own childminding business. Their Early Years Development Officer is available to provide guidance, advice and support. Please see the attached flyer.

Early Years

The HfL Early years team has created a Vimeo that provides an overview to help parents/carers to better understand the statutory assessment, Early years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP) that is completed for every child at the end of their reception year.

This Vimeo is fully funded by HCC so there is no cost involved.

Link:

<https://vimeo.com/1065001176?share=copy>

Password: EYFSPparentscarers

Instagram

We have attached a useful leaflet about Instagram.

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.

Book Look

Following discussion at Parent Forum, we have agreed to change Book Look so that infant and junior Book Looks are on different days. Please see the dates below for more information.

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 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

Spring Term 2025	
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 9:00am 3:20pm-3:45pm	Y2 Parakeets class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome) Y2 Scooterbility Y3-Y6 Book Look (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 28 th -Wednesday 30 th April	Y5 residential school journey
Tuesday 29 th April	Y3 swimming lessons begin
Wednesday 30th April	Phonics meeting for Nursery & Reception parents Y4 Road Safety Session
Friday 2nd May 9:00am	Y5 Toucans class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome) Infant Book Look
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Wednesday 7 th May	Y4 Road Safety Session
Thursday 8 th May	Y3 trip to St Albans Cathedral
Friday 9th May 9:00am	Y1 Nightingales class assembly (parents/grandparents welcome)
Monday 12 th -Thursday 15th May	KS2 SATS week
Tuesday 20 th May	Y1 trip
Wednesday 21 st May	KS1 Reduce, Reuse, Recycle assembly
Friday 23 rd May 9:00am	KS2 Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome)
Monday 26th-Friday 30th May	Half term holiday (school closed)
Monday 2 nd 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 th -Friday 13th June	Y1 phonics screening check week
Monday 16 th June	Class photos
Tuesday 17 th June	District sports (selected KS2 pupils)
Wednesday 18 th June	Y4 Egyptian Day
Thursday 19 th June	District sports (selected KS2 pupils)
Friday 20th June 9:00am	YR Skylarks class assembly (parents and grandparents welcome)
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Thursday 26 th June	YR trip to the Roald Dahl Museum & Story Centre
Friday 27 th June	Y1-Y6 Book look (parents/grandparents welcome)
Friday 4th July	Infant Book Look 3:20-3:45pm

Tuesday 8 th July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome) Final Y3 swimming lesson for the term Boogie Bounce (YR-Y3)
Wednesday 9 th July 9:00am	Y6 play (parents and grandparents welcome)
Thursday 10 th July	Transition day (meet the new teacher) Talk for new Reception parents
Friday 11 th July 9:15am 2:30pm	Infant Sports Day (parents and grandparents welcome) Mr Mitchell's concert (parents and grandparents welcome) Classes TBC
Tuesday 15 th July	Y6 Legal Eagles visitors Scooter spectacular (Y4-Y6)
Wednesday 16 th July	Scooter spectacular (Y4-Y6)
Thursday 17 th July	Scooter spectacular (Y4-Y6)
Friday 18 th July	Last day of term (school closes at 2:15pm)
Monday 21st July	INSET Day (school closed)
Tuesday 22nd July	INSET Day (school closed)
Wednesday 23rd July	INSET Day (school closed)
24th July 2025-3rd September	Summer holiday (school closed)

Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

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

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:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UKgBZMCcg0yzyPnqbCwRs9svUSsaXKhrJlIeIKv0S9UNURUFM2MTYzODILUEk5MVNMOVpCN0lWQy4u>

Name:

Child's Class: