



# NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



## Headteacher's Comment:

We're excited to share some fantastic news! This week, we appointed our new Play Leaders who will supervise the amazing play equipment that the PTA's fundraising efforts have made possible. We are incredibly grateful for the generosity of our families—your support truly makes a difference in enhancing our students' experiences. The School Council worked hard to gather ideas and feedback from their classmates, ensuring we developed a thoughtful plan. Together, we identified the equipment needed to make playtime both safe and enjoyable for everyone. Thank you once again for your continued support. We look forward to seeing the positive impact this initiative will have on our children at playtime!

I have spoken with lots of parents and children this week regarding attendance and the importance of arriving at school on time. Being in school at the beginning of the day helps children settle into their routines and start their learning smoothly. Arriving late and walking into a lesson can be unsettling for both the child and their classmates.

This week, we were thrilled to give out lots of Bronze Reading Owl awards. It was wonderful to hear the children discussing their favourite books, and I even received some fantastic reading recommendations myself! Please continue to encourage your child to read at home. Your support plays a vital role in fostering a love of reading and building essential skills.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the importance of adhering to our [Parent Code of Conduct](#). As role models for our children, it's essential that we communicate and interact with one another in a respectful and considerate manner. By showing kindness and maintaining positive conversations, we help foster a welcoming and supportive school community where everyone feels valued and respected. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making our school a place where mutual respect and collaboration thrive.

Next week is a busy and exciting time for everyone as we head closer to Christmas! We are delighted to welcome you to our Nativity performances and KS2 Carols—both are sure to get us all into the festive spirit. On Thursday, we'll be enjoying our delicious Christmas dinner, and children are invited to wear their festive jumpers to make the day extra special. We hope you have a wonderful weekend as we continue the joyful build-up to Christmas.

A huge thank you to Mrs Stannard for her service here at Kelvedon Hatch Community Primary School. She has had a positive impact on our pupils and will be greatly missed. We wish her the best for her new venture.

Thank you for your ongoing support!



## Diary Dates

**Wednesday 18 December** – EYFS & KS1 Nativity

**Thursday 19 December** – Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch, KS2 Christmas sing along & PTA Christmas Disco

**Friday 20 December** – Last day of term

**Friday 3 January** – Inset day

**Monday 6 January** – First day back

**Thursday 9 January** - Forest school for Year 5 starts

**Wednesday 29 January** - Year 1 Class assembly

**Wednesday 5 February** - Year 5 Class assembly



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## Weekly Attendance

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Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	88%	89.6%	96.8%	87.6%	87.6%	96.4%	96.5%	91.9%

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 2	Year 6	Year 5



## Yearly Attendance

### Yearly Attendance – from 3 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	95.4%	95.6%	93.8%	92%	92.1%	95.3%	92.8%	93.8%

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 1	Reception	Year 5



## Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Blakely	Noa	Cameron	Sadie	Louie	Taye	Annabelle



## Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

Congratulations to Isla H in Year 2 for being a role model for the values we uphold at KHCPs, she is consistently showing kindness, honesty, and respect. Well done Isla!



## Reminders

If your child is absent, please ensure you leave a reason as to why they are absent. If you are unsure if your child should be at school please check the guidance from the [NHS](#).

Please make sure the children are wearing the correct uniform, the website outlines what the children should be wearing. Please remember we do not allow jewellery in school. Thank you

Please familiarise yourself with the DET Gifts and Hospitality policy which can be found [here](#).



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# Reading at Home

Class	This table shows the number of children and percentages of children that have read this week.						Percentage reading 4 times or more
	Number of times children have read this week						
	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more	
Reception		4 (31%)	1 (8%)	2 (15%)	1 (8%)	5 (38%)	46%
Year 1			2 (8%)	2 (8%)	3 (13%)	11 (47%)	60%
Year 2		2 (9%)	3 (14%)	3 (14%)	1 (4%)	13 (59%)	63%
Year 3	3 (11%)	5 (18%)	3 (11%)	4 (14%)	1 (3%)	12 (43%)	46%
Year 4			3 (15.5%)		2 (10.5%)	14 (73.7%)	84%
Year 5	12 (43%)	1 (4%)	4 (14%)	2 (7%)	4 (14%)	5 (18%)	32%
Year 6					5 (26%)	14 (74%)	100%
Total							

**Well done Year 6 for gaining this weeks  
KHCS Reading at Home Award**



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STAGE  
SCHOOL**

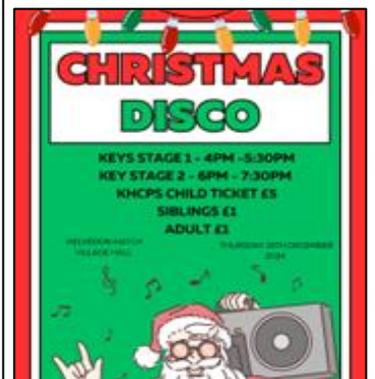


Delilah has qualified to represent England at the Dance World Cup 2025 in Spain in her song and dance duet, plus she will be participating in five group dances. There are 1000s of entries and for Delilah to be selected, this is a huge achievement. Well done Delilah and we look forward to supporting you in your performance.



Our children had a fantastic afternoon at the Boccia event at Shenfield.

On Thursday 5 December, our School Council representatives met Councillor K! Councillor K gave an encouraging session that helped and supported our current school council representatives to realise their aims and goals as a school council through many engaging and thoughtful activities!



Put your dancing shoes on for the D.I.S.C.O on 19 December in the Village Hall



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Meet our new KHCPs Playleaders...

We are thrilled to introduce our new Playleaders! They have already been hard at work, organising the equipment for our children to use. To earn their roles, they underwent an interview process, and Mrs. Everett and Mrs. Morgan were incredibly proud of how professionally and confidently they conducted themselves. Upon learning they had been successful, they shared their excitement and enthusiasm, expressing how much they are looking forward to supporting their peers and ensuring playtimes are fun and inclusive for everyone. They children shared their excitement, saying:

"I can't wait to help everyone have more fun at playtime!"

"I'm really excited to make sure everyone feels included and happy."

"This is such a great opportunity to be a role model for others."

"We love the new play equipment, it is going to make lunchtimes so much fun."

"I can't wait to play with the basketballs. The zone of the week sounds like fun".

Playleader roles will mean all children get to learn and play new games, they will help children play nicely together and will also look after and rotate the new toys, so the children don't get bored!

Well, done to those children that have read 170 times, they have now received their Bronze Owl – well done!



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