



Friday 25 October 2024

NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



Headteacher's Comment:

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the first half term of the year. It seems to have flown by and has been very successful. This was evident in the two parent consultation evenings we have had this week. These meetings are always really positive and provide an excellent way to work together to help our children continue to achieve well.

The two-week half term comes at a really good time of the year. The Autumn Term is always the longest and after eight weeks children and staff will appreciate the break. As we are now off school for two weeks and with the days becoming shorter, in assembly this morning we spoke to the children about making sure they are safe over the half term. This is also true when children are crossing roads as they will be harder to see in the dark. It is also important to reiterate this to the older children who may be out on their own or with friends. As well as reminders about road safety, please remind the children about other dangers there may be. On Thursday we were lucky enough to have a member of Essex Fire and Rescue deliver an assembly about safety around Halloween and fireworks. The lady reiterated the importance of being safe at this time of year.

This week has been busy at KHCPs. Years 3 and 4 embarked on an exciting adventure in forest school, where they have engaged with nature in a hands-on, experiential way. Each week, they explore the grounds of our school, learning to identify local plants and wildlife, while developing essential skills like teamwork and problem-solving. In celebration of Diwali, the Festival of Lights, the children all took part in an engaging Indian dance workshop. This vibrant event introduced children to traditional Indian dance forms, highlighting the rich cultural heritage of India. Led by an experienced instructor, the workshop inspired creativity and promoted cultural appreciation. The children learnt various dance styles whilst enjoying the rhythms of festive music. They had a wonderful time celebrating the spirit of Diwali through dance!

Thank you for your support today with non-uniform, we have raised an amazing amount of £110. Next half term is another busy one, we wish you all a happy and safe half term! Enjoy the break, have fun, and take care. We are looking forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready for the next half of the term!



Diary Dates

Monday 11 November – We return to school.

Anti Bullying Week starts

Tuesday 12 November – Odd Socks Day

Friday 15 November – Children in Need

Wednesday 18 December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity

Thursday 19 December – Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas lunch and KS2 singalong & PTA Christmas Disco.

Friday 20 December – Last day of term



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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	95.6%	96.1%	94.9%	91.9%	92.7%	95.2%	93.5%	94.2%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 1	Reception	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	97.2%	96.7%	94.4%	92.8%	93.1%	94.7%	93.6%	94.5%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Reception	Year 1	Year 5



Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sophie	Elsie	Ari	Freddie	Una	Sienna	Hollie



Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

Congratulations to Pollyanna in Year 2, you have shown wonderful kindness this term! Your caring actions and friendly attitude have really made a difference to everyone around you.



Reminders

On Sunday 15th December the Parish Council are hosting a Christmas Event at Kelvedon Hatch village hall. There is a Santa's Grotto. Attached is the QR code, families need to register their child for the Grotto by 12pm on Friday 1st November 2024 to be eligible to meet Santa and go in the Grotto. The PTA will be having multiple stalls in the smaller room at the event too.



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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		1 (6%)		2 (19%)	2 (19%)	9 (56%)	75%
Year 1			3 (13%)	2(8%)	5(21%)	13 (56%)	77%
Year 2	0	3(14%)	1(5%)	1(5%)	3(14%)	14(62%)	76%
Year 3	6(20%)	1(3%)	2(7%)	4(13%)	2(7%)	15(50%)	57%
Year 4	0	0	1 (5.9%)	2 (11.8%)	3 (17.6%)	11 (64.7%)	82.3%
Year 5	10 (36%)	0	2 (7%)	4 (14%)	5 (18%)	7 (25%)	43%
Year 6					2(10%)	18(80%)	100%
Total							

Admissions Arrangements Consultation Academic Year 2026/2027

Kelvedon Hatch Community Primary School is proposing to make two changes to its Admission Arrangements for Academic Year 2026/27. The first change provides more clarity around the definition of a sibling as it relates to admissions and also requires that all siblings must live at the same home address as the applicant child. The second change is to Waiting List wording, which now advises that the Waiting Lists will only remain open until the end of the academic year. If parents/carers wish for their child to remain on the Waiting List, they must contact Kelvedon Hatch Community Primary School to confirm. Without such confirmation, the child's name will be removed at the end of the academic year.

The statutory consultation period is open for eight weeks from Thursday 24 October 2024 and will close on Thursday 19 December 2024.

We are interested to hear the views of parents/carers and the local community. If you would like to comment on the admission arrangements please contact the school office via: office@kelvedonhatch.essex.sch.uk or in writing by post by Thursday 19 December 2024.

Exciting News: PTA Website is Now Live!

We are thrilled to announce that the PTA website is officially up and running! 🎉 You can now visit the site for ticket purchases, event updates, and much more.

To access all the features, **please register** on the website: [PTA Website Registration](#).

After registration you will be approved and then have access.

Thank you for your support! 🙏🌟



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